

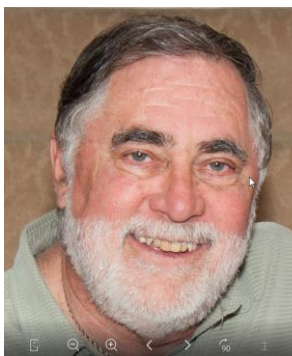
*A Non-Profit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement  
Our mission is to improve the lives of our members through fun activities and events while making friends for life*



# ROOSTER TALES

**Next meeting (Date To Be Determined) – Oakhurst Country Club**

## Big SIR Message



June was a quiet month in the development of the United States, but I would be remised for all our members that served not to mention some important military events. June 6, 1944 was “D-Day initiating the liberation of Europe; on June 14, 1755, the military service was initiated with the establishment of the Continental Army and on June 28, 1919, the Treaty of Versailles was signed ending WWI. There were also some key symbolic events. On June 14, 1777 (now Flag Day) John Adams introduced the American Flag with 13 stars and stripes and on June 20, 1782, Congress adopted the “Great Seal of the United States of America”.

Branch 19 is in the process of reopening for business. Golf has been underway for some time; Bocce starts June 9<sup>th</sup> and I believe Bowling is underway. Dinning Out and Wine Tasting are making plans. We are in contact with Oakhurst and there is a chance that lunch may start up in July. Before scheduling a lunch, we will make sure that Oakhurst is following California Health requirements. Also remember to mark your calendars for the Annual Picnic on Thursday September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION** – Due to insurance concerns, currently State SIR is requiring all members, spouses and guests to sign a Covid-19 waiver before participating in any Branch 19 event. In addition, all members, spouses and guests are required to be fully vaccinated before participating in any **indoor** Branch 19 event. I say “currently” because we all know how fast California Health Covid-19 requirements are changing, State SIR may also change before our first lunch is planned. Activity chairs are collecting the wavers from their participants. As soon as we know when we can schedule the return to lunches, we will send out the appropriate forms to be completed.

Branch 19 Big Sir - Dave Requa - ([dave@requa.org](mailto:dave@requa.org))

### June Birthdays

Ronald Carriveau  
 Mike George  
 Thomas Kostik  
 Robert Lunghi  
 James Martin Ja

Mike McKay II  
 Brian Mulligan  
 Neil Powell  
 David Welch

### The Calendar

**Computers & Technology** – Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup>

**\$ums in Retirement** – Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Area 2 Fishing Group** – Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

**Golf-** (See below)

**Wine Tasting** - TBD

**Dine Around** – TBD

### June Anniversaries

First Name	Last Name	Joined Sir	YR SIR
Homer	Colvin H	06/07/01	20
George	Fulmore	06/02/05	16
Jack	Barnaba	06/05/08	13
George	Darrow	06/04/15	6
David	Welch	06/04/15	6
Terry	Betts	06/01/17	4
Martin	Fennell	06/01/17	4
Mike	George	06/07/18	3
Mel	Boksenbaum	06/13/19	2
Bill	Ogden	06/13/19	2

### Financial Statement Branch 19 Statistics

#### Treasurer Report April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### Account Balances

Petty Cash	\$250.00
General Account	
Unencumbered	\$2,351.14
Excursion Fund	\$0.00
Holiday fund	\$0.00
Picnic Fund	\$0.00
<b>Total General Account</b>	<b>\$2,351.14</b>

#### Custodial Accounts

Bowling	\$401.07
Golf	\$1,221.46
<b>Total Custodial</b>	<b>\$1,622.53</b>

**Total Funds**                    **\$4,223.67**

Darryl Diamond (Branch 19 Treasurer)

### New Sir Members

No new members in June

## GET SET TO VOLUNTEER FOR 2021

Fellow SIR members,

**We need volunteers to continue the success of Branch 19. Please be prepared to step up and help lead our branch next year. We continue to grow and enjoy activities through the active participation of our membership. Let us know how you can be engaged. It continues to be a great way to make more friends.**

Jack Barnaba - Nominating Chair

## **Branch 19 Leadership**

**Big Sir:** Dave Requa

**Little Sir:** Jay Gordon

**Secretary:** Joe Gillis

**Asst. Secretary:** John Carl

**Treasurer:** Darryl Diamond

**Asst. Treasurers:** Barry Silberman, Ken Kuhn

**Activities Chair:** John Linster

**Bocce Capo:** Tom Lathrop (Director)

**Golf Chairman:** Jerry Burton (Director)

**Sunshine Chair:** Jay Gordon

**Attendance Chair:** Martin Fennell (Director), Jay Gordon

**Speaker Committee:** John Linster, Rich Peterson, Bill Ogden

**Bowling:** Gary Kaufmann, Mike Kropf

**Chaplin:** TBD

**Day Trips:** TBD

**Nomination Committee:** Jack Barnaba, Larry Kolano, Ken Kuhn

**Newsletter Editor:** Rich Balovich (Director)

**Membership Chair:** Ken Kuhn

**DATE Chair:** George Kapus (Director)

**Publicity:** TBD

**Recruitment:** TBD

**RAMP Chairman:** John Linster, Rich Peterson, Bill Ogden

**Wine Tasting / Dining Out:** Don Weimann

**Webmaster:** Mike Mills (Director)

## ***SIR Picnic In The Park***



**Heads Up !!**  
**The SIR Picnic in the Park is**  
**tentatively scheduled for**  
***Thurs, September 16***  
**at Concord Community Park**  
**(More Info Later)**

# Branch 19 Activities

## Branch 19 Golf Information

### The 18 Hole Golf Group



June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Hiddenbrooke	9:30am
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Lone Tree	10:20am
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Oakhurst	9:30am (Thursday)
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Blue Rock Springs	9:30am
June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lone Tree	10:20am
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Chardonnay	9:30am (Thursday)
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Rancho Solano	9:30am

**Jerry Burton**, Golf Chairman [ajgolf24@gmail.com](mailto:ajgolf24@gmail.com)

## The Bocce Report



Bocce ball will start in Concord on Wednesday, June 9 at Baldwin Park. The gates open at 6:00pm and the games begin at 6:30pm. The cost is \$350 or \$35 each for the season. Payment can be made when you see me or at your first match.

I will play all approved players who attend at least one game. Of course, if we all show up, only two players will play twice. Please email me if you cannot make it. We have had to forfeit in the past because we did not have at least 3 players.

We will have to sign a City waiver, and there will be covid protocols. We do not have them yet.

Tom Lathrop- Bocce Chairman  
[lathrop689@aol.com](mailto:lathrop689@aol.com)

## SIR Branch 19 Bowling News



June of 2021 already, where has half a year gone?

We are almost half way through the league and Lou Gilson has high game of 300, Gary Kaufmann has high series of 750, Walt Norris has high handicap game of 324, and Ron Gagliardi has high handicap series of 847.

Back to Bowling is GREAT!!!

:) SIR Mike Kropf

SIR Mike Kropf [mdkropf@astound.net](mailto:mdkropf@astound.net)  
Gary Kaufmann [gkaufmann813@gmail.com](mailto:gkaufmann813@gmail.com)

## Area 16 Activities



### The Area 16 Computer & Technology Group

Next Meeting Thursday, June 17th  
<https://sirinc2.org/a16cat/>

The next Zoom SIR Area 16 Computer & Technology (CAT) Group meeting will be Thursday, June 17th starting at 9:30 AM.

The June discussion will be "Surfing the Net More Safely" by Tom Farr from Branch 174. Topics including VPN Services, managing passwords, phishing and malware will be discussed.

To attend the Zoom meeting, individuals need to sign-up for the CAT's mailing list by sending an email to [SIRArea2CAT@gmail.com](mailto:SIRArea2CAT@gmail.com). A few days before the meeting, a Zoom web link that is needed to connect will be sent to members on the mailing list.

**Neil Schmidt, Chairman**

## Area 16 Fishing Group



Regularly meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month  
**Next Meeting: Thursday June 24th, at 8:30am**  
**Via Zoom**



All SIR members and guests are welcome, and indeed encouraged, to participate in fishing trips as well as attend the monthly meetings. Contacts are Ron Lew 925-550-4166 and Carl Moyer 925-685-5243. Next meeting will be through ZOOM or even perhaps in person on Thursday, June 24th, at 8:30am.

Our local trout season is winding down, but with a bang. Catching trout from San Pablo Reservoir were Bob Lively in his kayak, Terry Miller, Tom Kostik, Harry Sherinian, Carl Moyer, George Vogt, Phil Scimonelli, Brion Beetz, and Ray Pixton. Ray also caught and released a big sturgeon there, and Phil Scimonelli caught 2 catfish including an 8 pounder. Martin Steinpress has done well fly fishing up river landing a beautiful 19 inch rainbow on a #16 midge fly. Martin also caught a big black bass fly fishing in a private pond. Chuck Vanoncini hosted his very popular spring trip to Lake Almanor. Stan Wong, Chuck Cornell, Tom Chapman, Gordon Linebaugh, Brion Beetz, Mark Bittner and Jack Waddell, had great weather, a super good time and caught and kept 15 big bows and browns and released 5-6 over 5 lb brown trout. Stan Wong fished a party boat in the bay for 2 striped bass. Salmon season out the gate may start June 26<sup>th</sup>. Live bait is now available, and halibut fishing should be red hot very soon. Because our activity happens outdoors, we have been able to pursue our passion, observing all the COVID limitations. We have held meetings and discussions via computer.

Carl Moyer

## Area 16 Investments / Wealth Management

### The Area 2 \$ums Investment Group Next Meeting (June 23<sup>rd</sup>)



We will again join Branch 128's (San Ramon) Investment Group for their 4<sup>th</sup> Wed, June 23, Zoom meeting at 1:30 PM.

The topic will be announced. Zoom instructions will be sent out prior to the meeting to those on the email list. Contact Dave Sutton to be included if you're not already.

**\$SUMS Chair:** Tom Henry (Br-174) 925-284-5724 [tomhenry925@gmail.com](mailto:tomhenry925@gmail.com)

**Co-Chair:** David Sutton (Br-8) 925-686-0158, [davesutn@yahoo.com](mailto:davesutn@yahoo.com)

The following was released by the State Committee in an effort to bring more clarity to what it means to be a SIR:



### **What is SIR?**

**SIR (Sons in Retirement) is a non-profit, public benefit corporation formed for men. Our Mission is to improve the lives of our members through fun activities and events while making Friends for Life!**

**We are almost 60 years old, and our 120 plus branches include over 14,500 members. Our branches cover Northern California from Bakersfield to the Oregon border and Lake Tahoe to the Pacific Ocean.**

**Our member expectations are few. Have the free time, be a friendly, sociable guy, participate in our luncheons and activities and introduce others to SIR so they can join in the fun.**

**Membership is open to men regardless of age, race, color or religion. We are an all-volunteer organization, so our members need to help out when called upon. SIR supports no outside causes or interests. We prohibit discussions of politics and religion, soliciting or selling anything to any member.**

**Each Branch has monthly luncheon meetings where Sirs renew old friendships and establish new ones. Speakers are invited to speak on topical subjects of general interest. Most Branches have summer and winter luncheons and a BBQ where wives, partners and guests are invited.**

**Of special interest are Branch activities like golf, bowling, travel, bocce, bridge, poker, walking, hiking, computers, dining out, wine tasting and investing. Our list of activities and events is almost endless and many are coed. If there is an activity you are passionate about and your selected branch doesn't have it, we will help you start it and involve others. Come join us and be part of the fun – and, better yet, Make Friends for Life!**

06/18/17, G&M Committee