

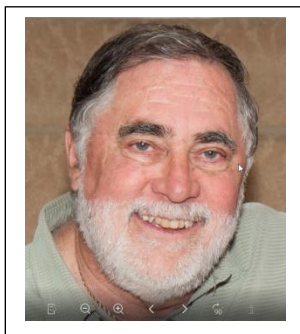
*A Non-Profit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement
Our mission is to improve the lives of our members through fun activities and events while making friends for life*



ROOSTER TALES

Next Luncheon (November 4th), 2021 – Oakhurst Country Club
If you plan to attend you are required to call the hotline 925-338-1996

Big SIR Message



November is a very important month for many of us because of November 11, Veterans Day, which was formerly known as Armistice Day. At our November lunch we will be honoring those that served with a presentation by an active Air Force pilot. Thank you to all the veterans! Please consider attending lunch so you can be honored. An interesting date in this vane, on November 10, 1775, the U.S. Marine Corps was established. With regard to the history of the development of America, on November 15, 1777, the Articles of Confederation (the for runner to the Constitution) were adopted by the Continental Congress; November 30, 1782, the provisional peace treaty was signed with Great Britain ending the American War of Independence; November 26, 1789, President George Washington proclaimed the first American Holliday to be Thanks Giving Day, a day of prayer and public thanks giving in gratitude for the successful establishment of the new American Republic. Of course, in later years to accommodate the consistent planning of the busy American schedule, Thanksgiving was moved to the 4th Thursday in November. Finally, the great American Bureaucracy was launched November 17, 1800, when then U.S. Congress met for the first time in the new Capital of Washington D.C.

After almost a year and half without the ability to get together due to the hideous pandemic, the October lunch was a success with 56 members attending. As mentioned above, lunch on November 4th will honor the SIR's that are veterans. **If you would like to attend, due to the uncertainty of the number of attendees, you need to call the SIR Hotline before October 29th at (925) 338-1996 to reserve a place by leaving your name, Badge Number and lunch selection either turkey, honey salmon or vegetarian.** Lunch is still \$25. If you have not already submitted your proof of vaccination, you will need to show your proof of vaccination when you sign in for lunch. All staff at Oakhurst are vaccinated and will be wearing masks. Your fellow SIR's are hoping you will attend to renew acquaintances.

Branch 19 Big Sir - Dave Requa - (dave@requa.org)

Guest Speaker for November



Capt Muir piloting his first C-130 flight.

My name is Sean Muir. I'm a Captain with the United States Air Force and work at Travis Air Force Base flying the C-5.

I initially joined the Air Force in 2010. After basic and technical training, I served as a C-130 Loadmaster which was a detailed and exacting position responsible for insuring that the cargo load and passengers are distributed and secured such that its weight will not adversely affect the aircraft at any time (takeoff, flight, and landing) as well as rigging cargo and paratroopers to be airdropped.

In 2016 I made the transition from enlisted to officer, something rarely done. I attended officer training followed by flight training. My first assignment after completion of flight training was piloting a familiar aircraft, the venerable C-130 which I did for two years.

In 2019 I was selected to transition to the C-5, the largest cargo aircraft in the Air Force inventory.

I'm thrilled to come and talk to you guys about my experiences flying the C-5 as well as my previous airplane, the venerable C-130!

November Menu

caprese salad
 Meat - turkey
 Fish - salmon
 Vegetarian - risotto
 rolls and butter
 Dessert - cherry pie

November Birthdays

John Ackers
 Richard Balovich
 Vincent Ciccarello
 John Fernando
 Joe Gillis

Gary King
 Kenneth Kuhn
 Richard Small
 Bill Turman

Financial Statement Branch 19 Statistics

Treasurer Report September 30st, 2021

Account Balances

Petty Cash \$250.00
 General Account
 Unencumbered \$2,467.50
 Excursion Fund \$0.00
 Holiday fund \$0.00
 Picnic Fund \$0.00
Total General Account \$2,467.50

Custodial Accounts

Bowling \$401.07
 Golf \$1,888.49
Total Custodial \$2,289.56

Total Funds \$5,007.06

Darryl Diamond (Branch 19 Treasurer)

New Sir Members

Welcome to Branch 19

No new members in October

November Anniversaries

Myron	Allen	11/02/95	26
Jerry	Waitrovich	11/07/96	25
Mike	McKay	11/04/04	17
Milton	Momita	11/04/04	17
Patrick	Rotell	11/04/04	17
Ron	Gagliardi	11/03/05	16
Roy	Priest	11/05/09	12
Ronald	Ingersol	11/04/10	11
James	Wyllie	11/01/12	9
Dennis	Wasco	11/02/17	4
Dennis	Jones	11/07/19	2
Mike	McKay II	11/07/19	2
Roger	Moseley	11/07/19	2
Lou	Gilson	11/05/20	1
Richard	Moya	11/05/20	1

Covid 19 Luncheon Requirements

**You must call the Sir Hotline (925) 338-1996 to reserve your menu item and your space at the table
 Sign a waiver form and present your vaccination card when you sign in for lunch.**

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: TBD
Bocce Capo: Tom Lathrop (Director)
Golf Chairman: Jerry Burton (Director)
Sunshine Chair: Jay Gordon
Attendance Chair: Martin Fennell (Director),
Speaker Committee: 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: TBD
Publicity: TBD
Recruitment: TBD
RAMP Chairman: TBD
 Bill Ogden
Wine Tasting / Dining Out: Don Weimann
Webmaster: Mike Mills (Director)

Interested in a Particular Activity?

SIR offers numerous local or overnight outings through the Regional Activity Coordinator that are available to our members. We post available outings as they are announced for your consideration. The benefit of an outing or traveling with SIR is that it provides you with a wonderful opportunity to learn about our Branch members or meet and become friends with SIR members from other branches.

Have an idea for a Day Trip for Branch 19 members? Please let Little SIR John Linster know about your idea so he can assist you in organizing the event.

Jay Gordon (Little SIR)
jay_gordon@att.net

Membership Attendance is required by the By Laws:

Rule 100: A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the committee chair person (or calling the Hotline) giving valid reason or who attends less than six (6) meetings within the last twelve (12) months, shall be notified by the prescribed form, of termination of his membership. December Ladies Day is exempted.

Lucky Badge number is somewhere in this issue.

Look for the letters JM

followed by your badge number. Call the hotline before the luncheon if you find your number and your lunch will be free.

Monthly Luncheon Requirements

*** Currently not applicable due to Covid**

You must call (925-338-1996) or email SIRBranch19@gmail.com by Sunday prior to the luncheon...

*** If you will not be attending the luncheon**

- Meals are ordered for all Branch 19 members unless we are notified that you will not be attending.
- If you do not attend and have not notified us by the Sunday prior to the luncheon, you **will be charged** for the meal. This is necessary as Branch 19 does not have available funds to spend on uneaten meals.
- If you have told us you will not be attending but show up, **no meal** will be provided for you and a seat is not guaranteed.

To change your meal choice (Meat, Fish, Vegetarian)

- Meals are ordered based upon your preference that we have on record. **If you do not call / or email (see phone #, email above), then no changes will be made.**

If you are bringing a guest

- Meals and place settings are **not guaranteed** for guests

The Calendar

Computers & Technology – November 18th

\$ums in Retirement – Wednesday, December 8th

Area 2 Fishing Group – Thursday, November 18th

Golf- (See below)

Wine Tasting – TBD

Dine Around – TBD

Branch 19 Activities

Branch 19 Golf Information

The 18 Hole Golf Group



Nov. 2 nd	Diablo Creek	10:00am
Nov. 9 th	Lone Tree	10:00am
Nov. 16 th	Hiddenbrooke	9:30am
Nov. 23 rd	Lone Tree	10:00am
Nov. 30 th	Chardonnay	9:30am

Jerry Burton, Golf Chairman ajgolf24@gmail.com

The Bocce Report



The Concord bocce ball season ended in September. We will be signing up for next year's season in April.

If you are interested in playing next season let either Ken Kuhn (kakuhn01@gmail.com) or Tom Lathrop (email below) know.

Tom Lathrop- Bocce Chairman
lathrop689@aol.com

SIR Branch 19 Bowling News



Here we are going into week 7 of our season, and we have "Sweep the Rack",

In 1st Place. Joe Cronwall, Tina Kaufmann, Rick Small, and Gary Kaufmann!

High average is Lou Gilson-224

High game is Gary Kaufmann-300

High series is Gary Kaufmann-760

High Handicap Game is Joe Cronwall-321

High Handicap series is Paul Zocchi-821

So we have some High scores and Great times being back enjoying what we love to do! Being Social and Bowling.

SIR Mike Kropf mdkropf@astound.net

Gary Kaufmann gkaufmann813@gmail.com

Area 16 Activities



The Area 16 Computer & Technology Group

Next Meeting: November 18th
<https://sirinc2.org/a16cat/>

The next SIR Area 16 Computer & Technology meeting will be on November 18th at 9:30 AM via Zoom. The discussion topic, led by Alan Baker, will be "**Two-Factor Authentication: Beyond Text Messages**".

When security matters, we use two-factor authentication as a second layer of protection. We usually use text messages, but recent breaches of cell phone carriers have shown that this is not the most secure approach. There are better alternatives. These alternatives include authenticator applications and hardware keys. An authenticator app generates a unique 6-digit code every 30 seconds and a hardware key can be plugged into your computer's USB port. In this presentation we will discuss a range of two-factor authentication methods and demonstrate an authenticator app and hardware key. If security is important to you, plan to attend on November 18th.

To attend the Zoom meeting, individuals need to sign-up for the CAT's mailing list by sending an email to 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 4th Thursday of the month
Next Meeting: Thursday, November 18th at 8:30am



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 at the Legends restaurant at the Diablo Creek golf course on Port Chicago Highway and Highway 4 on Thursday, November 18th at 8:30am. **BECAUSE OF THE HOLIDAYS, OUR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER MEETINGS ARE ON THE THIRD THUSRDAY, NOT THE FOURTH.**

We are all in agreement, 2021 is one of the worst years in our fishing history. Short salmon season, bay overfished, lakes so low they look like creeks, WIND, WIND, AND MORE WIND. Some of us found trout far away. Brion Beetz and Stan Wong found some nice rainbows at Lake Almanor. Martin Steinpress and Chuck Vanoncini did separate guided flyfishing trips to the Sacramento river. Very memorable, Martin caught a nice steelhead, Chuck caught a nice salmon, both caught some trout. Tom Kostik got trout and smallmouth bass at Pinecrest lake. Tom and Brion caught some black bass in the delta. Stan Wong and Brion Beetz limited out on stripers in the delta. Carl Moyer got some rockfish from the ocean; but failed to get any trout from San Pablo reservoir. He did catch a 10 lb catfish there. We had our fishing group meeting in person, and that was pleasant. The promise of an El Nina winter should give us much needed water.

Carl Moyer

Area 16 Investments / Wealth Management

The Area 2 \$ums Investment Group Next Meeting (December 8th)



We will again join Branch 128's (San Ramon) Investment Group for their November/December Zoom meeting on December 8 at 1:30 PM (to avoid conflict with the holidays).

Michael Young, Elder Law Attorney, will be the presenter. He covers such things as:

- Dementia Planning
- Nursing Home issues
- Considerations for Widow and Widowers
- Multi-generation Planning and Inherited IRAs (do's and don'ts) and IRA Legacy Trusts
- Charitable Trusts and Charitable Giving
- Impacts of Tax Proposals

\$UMS Chair: Tom Henry (Br-174) 925-284-5724 tomhenry925@gmail.com

Co-Chair: David Sutton (Br-8) 925-686-0158, davesutn@comcast.net

GET SET TO VOLUNTEER FOR 2022

Fellow SIR members,

We need volunteers to continue the success of Branch 19. Please be prepared to step up and help lead our branch this 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

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