



## ELDORADO BRANCH NO. 23

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| BIG SIR                      | LITTLE SIR                     | SECRETARY                 | ASST. SECRETARY | TREASURER                | ASST. TREASURER                |
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|                                   |          |                                |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|
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**BR. 23 website: [sir23.org](http://sir23.org)   Webmaster: Gordon Callander  
[gordoncallander@yahoo.com](mailto:gordoncallander@yahoo.com)**

**Monthly meetings on 2nd Wednesday Carmichael Elks Lodge   5631 Cypress, Carmichael**  
**10:30 am Executive Meeting   11:00 am social   Noon Luncheon, Cost \$19.00**

**Next luncheon meeting is September 11, 2019**

**Please call Dave Nemzek (916-481-7173) by September 5, 2019 if you cannot attend the meeting. That is the Thursday before the September 11, 2019 meeting. We need an accurate count and need your cooperation to have the proper amount of food at the luncheon, so if you are bringing guests please let us know, also by September 5 2019.**

**BIG SIR REPORT** by Phil Sittner

It is likely that most members are aware of our two events this month; our usual monthly meeting on the 11th, and our 50th anniversary celebration on the 19th. The anniversary dinner currently has 73 members and guests signed up, and you need to join us for a unique experience. Fifty years of anything is quite an achievement, and for an organization like ours, it is really special. The venue, Northridge Country Club, is known for presenting excellent meals and their facility is top notch. We will also have live entertainment during the event and the \$30.00 price tag presents an excellent value.

We added two new members in August, resulting in a total of 151 members of Branch 23. Please take the time to introduce yourselves to Robert Betzler, sponsored by Dave Peterson, and Jon Sadowski, sponsored by General Davie. Many of the SIR's branches are experiencing difficulty in maintaining a robust membership roster, but you have kept our branch in a solid growth mode and I wish to both congratulate you and also prod you to keep up the great work.

Not only is the membership in a growth mode, but our activities have seen record participation. Both the 9 hole and 18 hole golf programs are well attended, and the new Bocce program headed by Dave Peterson is bustling with activity. Dave held an evening event at the Dante Club, provided both wine and snacks, and the wives joined us for a very special program. It is also to be mentioned that Gordon Callander has two additional hikes scheduled and his events have been growing in popularity. Great job, Gordon!

**LITTLE SIR REPORT** by DAVE PETERSON

***"Give a man health and a course to steer, and he'll never stop to trouble about whether he's happy or not."***

***George Bernard Shaw***

I just heard from Tom Jones, our speaker from our recent August luncheon. As you will recall, Tom is the Executive Director of the Aerospace Museum of California, located at the McClellan Business Park. Tom wanted me to remind our membership to plan on visiting the Museum in October, to explore the life and history of NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. We are fortunate to be the first in California to visit the Hubble Exhibit. I am uncertain of the start date in October, but when it is announced, I will let you know.

Having just returned from the SIRs Annual State meeting, I will mention a couple of items. Our Bocce program has been made known to the State Chairman and I have been assured that we will be invited to the State Tournaments. This is good news for our branch and in particular our Bocce 23 players who have continued to support the program. As mentioned at our luncheon, our first evening session went over extremely well and our player count continues to grow.

During the State meeting we were introduced to a state program; Northern California Alliance for Seniors and Community College, in which our Napa Branch is participating and could be of real interest to our Branch. Phil, I am certain, will report on the State Meeting and I will do some research on the Junior College Alliance.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe**

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| (Beginning Balance (Checking) June 30, 2019    | \$5,270.41 |
| Beginning Petty Cash                           | 400.00     |
| Funds Received:                                | 3,278.00   |
| Funds Disbursed                                | 2,400.56   |
| Ending Checking Balance July 31, 2019          | 6,147.85   |
| Ending Savings Balance                         | 0          |
| Ending Petty Cash                              | 400.00     |
| Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) July 31, 2019 | \$6,547.85 |

**SUNSHINE REPORT: by Chris Christopherson**

As always, I request assistance from all members by keeping me informed about deaths, illnesses, and other medical problems of fellow members so I can publish them in the newsletter and send cards.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Carroll Hamon**

Membership Status: 151 members, including one Senior HLM and three HLMs.  
Deletions: None

**New Members in August: Jon Sadowski #189, sponsor General Davie  
Bob Betzler #195, sponsor Dave Peterson**

New Member to be inducted in September: Wayne Henley, sponsor Pete Doljanin

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

**New Member Information:**

Robert 'Bob' Betzler  
9836 Oakplace West  
Folsom, CA 95630-1920

**Bob Betzler**



Phone # 916-805-5919

E-mail: betzlerrobert@gmail.com

Bob was born on October 30, 1944. He is a Real Estate Broker for Summit Brokerage and partially retired on January 1, 2019. He is married to Karen. His interests are golf, old cars and model trains. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on August 14, 2019 and was assigned badge #195. His sponsor was Dave Peterson.

Jon Sadowski  
5503 Sequoia Circle  
Citrus Heights, CA 95610-7923

**Jon Sadowski**



Phone # 916-397-5633

E-mail: j\_sad@sbcglobal.net

Jon was born on January 30, 1943. He was a Principal in the San Juan Unified School District when he retired in June, 2002. His interests are golf, sailing and travel. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on August 14, 2019 and was assigned badge #189. His sponsor was General Davie.

## **BRANCH ACTIVITIES:**

### **NEW OFFICERS FOR BRANCH 23 IN 2020**

**Elections were held at the August meeting to determine the leaders of SIRS Branch 23 for the 2020 calendar year. The following gentlemen were elected to the noted positions. They will be sworn into office later this year and pictures will be available in a later issue of the Nugget. There are always volunteer opportunities at Branch 23.**

| <b>POSITION</b>        | <b>NOMINEE</b>          |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Big SIR</b>         | <b>Dave Peterson</b>    |
| <b>Little SIR</b>      | <b>Roger Riley</b>      |
| <b>Secretary</b>       | <b>John Boss</b>        |
| <b>Asst. Secretary</b> | <b>General Davie</b>    |
| <b>Treasurer</b>       | <b>Jim Coe</b>          |
| <b>Asst. Treasurer</b> | <b>Don Landsittel</b>   |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>Jerry Westerman</b>  |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>Phil Sittner</b>     |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>Pay Zelinski</b>     |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>Gordon Routsong</b>  |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>Gordon Callander</b> |
| <b>Director</b>        | <b>JD Bamfield</b>      |

## **BRANCH ACTIVITIES (CONT'D)**

To Honor the Branch 23 **50th Anniversary**, all Branch 23 members and wives/friends are invited to a celebration dinner party on Thursday, September 19 at North Ridge Country Club from 4:30 to 7:15 PM

COST is \$30 pp. MENU CHOICES are Steak, Chicken, Veggie Raviolis.

The program will be heavy on socializing and entertainment.  
See the attached flyer for more details

Sign up at the September monthly luncheon. Cash or checks accepted.  
Exact cash would be appreciated. Checks should be made payable to SIR Branch 23.

**Please read the flyer on the last page of the Nugget.**

## **BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:**



**Bocce Ball Schedule: 9am at the Dante Club, August 26, September 9th and 23rd**

**Contact Dave Peterson for info at [davidjpeterson08@yahoo.com](mailto:davidjpeterson08@yahoo.com) or 916 768-5087.**

### **Bowling Report Frank Semans**

The SIRS bowling league started on August 27 at the Country Club Lanes on Watt Avenue. We bowl every Tuesday, beginning at 12:20 PM. There is room for more bowlers, so if you want to join, come between 11:30 AM and 12 noon next Tuesday to sign up for a team.

**GOLF Report for the September, 2019 Nugget Bill Sutherland**

**BR 23 Golf Web Site: Visit this site to determine golf start times, pairings, results and other golf related matters. The address is [web2.golfsoftware.net/9958/](http://web2.golfsoftware.net/9958/)**

**18-Hole Golf:**

### **Sign-ups for September Meeting:**

Sept 25, Mather, \$45 prepay. Individual event, dual tees  
Oct 16, Turkey Creek, Individual event, dual tees.

**Tournament Results:**

**Diamond Oaks, July 24.**

Flight 1: Adge (65), Espinosa (67), Mahoney (68), Shilliday (68).  
CTP: Neil Fairhurst.

Flight 2: Scott Kenney (63), Tipton (67), Jones (68). CTP: Frank Semans

Flight 3: Phelps (61), Riley (66), Domyancic (68). CTP: Tam LeFebure

Flight 4: Boss (63), Vijitakula (65), Zelinski (66). CTP: John Boss

**Morgan Creek, July 31, Four-man Shamble.**

First: John Mahoney, Scott Dutcher, Phil Fotopoulos, Gail Murrell. 116

Second: Ron Shilliday, Tony Tipton, David Nemzek, (Blind Partner). 118

Third: Neil Fairhurst, Phil Phelps, Scott Kenney, John Boss. 124

Fourth: Gary Bradley, Bill Lindsey, Jim Heavner, Odell Landers. 128

**Teal Bend, August 7**

Flight 1: Ahders (63), Porter (67), Don Rodriguez (69), Bradley (69).  
CTP: Jim Monteverde

Flight 2: Tipton (64), Askelson (67), McGuire (67). CTP: No Winner

Flight 3: Singer (59), Davie (60), Pruss (62). CTP: Rich Singer

Flight 4: Routsong (56), Heavner (69), Reames (60). CTP: Gordon Routsong

**9-Hole Golf:**

Sign-ups for September Meeting:

October 4, Friday, Antelope Greens

October 10, Thursday, Cordova

**Tournament Results:****Emerald Lakes, July 22**

Flight 1: Bamfield (32), Phelps (33), Abel (36), Siagian (36). CTP: JD Bamfield

Flight 2: Heavner (35), Mastalski (36), Domyancic (36), Tipton (36), Semans (36).  
CTP: Frank Semans

Flight 3: Zelinski (31), Callander (35), Reames (35). CTP: George Hood

**Antelope Greens, August 2**

Flight 1: Siagian (23), Mahoney (26), Abel (26), Domyancic (26), Elkins (26).  
Back-nine: Marwan Siagian (18). CTP: Phil Sittner

Flight 2: Semans (20), Scarlett (21), Salminen (25).

Back-nine: Frank Semans (24). CTP: Jim Heavner

Flight 3: George Hood (21), Reames (25), Callander (27).

Back-nine: Howard Frank (23). CTP: No Winner

**William Land Park, August 15**

Flight 1: Semans (34), Mahoney (35), Siagian (35), Domyancic (35), Phelps (35).  
CTP: Frank Semans

Flight 2: Heavner (29), Ng (32), Catino (34), Mastalski (34). CTP: No Winner.

Flight 3: Vijitakula (31), Greg Hood (31), Mohler (32), Zelinski (32).  
CTP: Ray Zelinski.

**HIKING: Call Gordon Callander at 916-230-8622 for information regarding the next outing.**

## NOTABLE SEPTEMBER DATES:

### MEMBER JOIN ANNIVERSARIES:

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| Jim Jackson   | 1984 |
| Birge Clark   | 1996 |
| Dave Salminen | 1997 |
| Gene Tognetti | 1998 |
| Frank Semans  | 2000 |
| John Mahoney  | 2010 |
| Paul Elkins   | 2013 |
| John Boss     | 2015 |
| Jerry Wilson  | 2015 |
| Steve Buss    | 2017 |
| Paul Lenny    | 2017 |

### MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Arlie Veis       | 1924 |
| Joe Stastney     | 1926 |
| Birge Clark      | 1929 |
| Cass Mastalski   | 1932 |
| Bob Stakolich    | 1932 |
| Dave Salminen    | 1934 |
| Ron Hollis       | 1936 |
| Jerry Martin     | 1937 |
| Bill Moore       | 1940 |
| Joe Rodriguez    | 1940 |
| Gail Murrell     | 1941 |
| Tom Novi         | 1943 |
| Rich Battistessa | 1943 |
| Bill Abalona     | 1945 |
| Gene Reames      | 1948 |
| Gary Young       | 1948 |
| Greg Hood        | 1950 |
| Phil Phelps      | 1952 |
| JD Bamfield      | 1955 |

### MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Suckow, Lowell and Maggie   | 1957 |
| Rodriguez, Joe and Doris    | 1958 |
| Hannon, Joe and LaRena      | 1959 |
| Shimek, Dennis and Cherie   | 1961 |
| Askelson, Paul and Olivia   | 1962 |
| Buss, Steve and Nancy       | 1966 |
| Sandhu, Joe and Jeet        | 1966 |
| Novi, Tom and Linda         | 1970 |
| Mastalski, Cass and Mary    | 1972 |
| Brunton, Dave and Sue       | 1975 |
| Domyancic, Paul and Mary    | 1975 |
| Schmidt, Steve and Victoria | 1975 |
| Lindsey, Bill and Terri     | 1982 |
| Westerman, Jerry and Joan   | 1998 |
| Frank Howard and Carol      | 1998 |
| Kenney, Scott and Julie     | 2002 |
| Bullock, Greg and Tom       | 2015 |
| Bamfield, JD and Karen      |      |
| Chapman, Bon and Bernardine |      |

*Please come to a party!*

Members and spouses/friends are invited to come and help celebrate



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**ANNIVERSARY**  
of

**SIR BRANCH 23**

**Date & Time: Thursday, September 19 4:30 to 7:15 pm**

**Location: North Ridge Country Club**

7600 Madison Avenue (at Mariposa Ave) Fair Oaks

**Menu Choices: Steak, Chicken, Vegie Raviolis**

**Cost: \$30 per person No-host bar & Raffle available**

**Entertainment:**

**Singing by SIR Country Club Aires and  
Sharing Branch 23 History and Memories**

Signups begin at the July meeting and continue  
until September 11 deadline. Please signup ASAP