



## ELDORADO BRANCH NO. 23

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**Due to the coronavirus, all branch activities in the near future have been cancelled.  
Branch 23 officers and the state SIR officers have been in close contact, awaiting news  
regarding the resumption of branch activities.**

## **BIG SIR REPORT :**

To the members of Branch 23, I hope this email finds you and your family in good health.

Spring is here, and where we would normally be entering a beautiful time of year; anticipating social gatherings, golf, gardening, or spending more time with friends, we find ourselves forced to do the opposite.

As anticipated, our group is not exempt from making some necessary changes in order to mitigate the potential spread of the coronavirus. On March 17, 2020 we got word from the state board to end all activities statewide for SIRS. Prior to the notice from the state & SIRS President Ed Benson, our own BEC from Branch 23 had met and we were in the process of setting criteria of how to maneuver through the pandemic. We had planned to follow the Sacramento County Health Department guidelines, but within days of our meeting before our last luncheon, things rapidly progressed and the virus has now interrupted our normal Standard Operating Procedures. This decision to end all SIRS related activities was made in keeping with the new criteria set by the federal government and the State of California, and is the prudent thing to do. As you know, our age group has a high susceptibility to illness and the current coronavirus. Taking precautionary measures is important, but only temporary.

In addition to, but separate from the virus complications, we are faced with an insurance claim that jeopardizes our coverage in the near future. The members of our executive board have knowledge of this situation, and are actively working on a resolution. We will keep you abreast of any new information with regard to this claim. Because of these circumstances, the State board directives are as follows:

- 1) All SIR luncheons and activities will be postponed until further notice.
- 2) If we have any current contractual obligations, we need to speak with our supplier to postpone.
- 3) We are not to enter into any new contractual agreements until further notice.

During this time of uncertainty, we are forced to take drastic measures creating unease and social isolation. Part of our group's purpose is to support each other and stay connected. Please remember that although we are not able to meet face to face, we are still here in support of one other. Please reach out to your fellow members if there is anything you need, or if you feel that others may need you. I am here at any time should you wish to connect via email, phone or Skype.

**David Peterson, Big SIR**

## LITTLE SIR REPORT

Even though our SIR luncheons have been cancelled until further notice, I want to be sure Carol Brush (who is Steve's wife and an officer in the Daughters of the American Revolution) has the information from our members pertaining to their military service. Those of you who attended last month's luncheon filled out cards providing information on your military experience. However, our attendance was slightly lower than normal, so those of you who missed the March luncheon and are veterans, please email me your name, branch of service, rank, and the war/conflict you participated in. Send your information to [rogerkriley@gmail.com](mailto:rogerkriley@gmail.com). When we are able to meet again, Carol will be a guest speaker and she will talk about the DAR organization, how it provides support to our veterans, and present the DAR certificates to our members who have served our country.

Stay safe during these uncertain times and I am looking forward to seeing you again when it is safe for us to be together.

## Roger Riley, Little SIR

### TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) February 1, 2020	\$6,167.52
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	2,888.00
Funds Disbursed	2,150.53
Ending Checking Balance February 29, 2020	6,904.99
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) February 29, 2020	\$7,304.99

### SUNSHINE REPORT: by Chris Christopherson

As always, I request the assistance of members in reporting any illnesses of our members. Please keep me informed of any deaths, illnesses, or other medical problems of our members so I can publish them in the bulletin. Please keep member Gene Reames in your thoughts.

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Phil Sittner

**Membership Status:** 153, including one Senior HLM and two HLM's.

**Deletions:** One, **Bill McGuire**, resigned

**New members inducted in March:** **Paul Palabrica**, sponsor Steve Porter

**Charles Sickels**, sponsor Joe Dobrowolski

**Other Membership/Roster Changes:** None

## **New Member Information:**

### **Paul Palabrica**

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Paul was born on Jan 9, 1958. He is married to Vicki, and is retired from the post office. Paul's interests include golf and bowling. He became a member on March 11, 2020 and was assigned badge #98. His sponsor was Steve Porter. Paul wishes to receive his newsletter by mail.

### **Charles "Chuck" Sickels**

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Charles was born March 10, 1942. Charles's wife is Gail. Charles retired on December 31, 2007 from California Dept. of Corrections and was an attorney. He became a member on March 11th, 2020 and was assigned badge number 122. He wishes to receive his newsletter electronically.

## **BRANCH ACTIVITIES: by Gordon Callander**

I am currently harvesting information from the "Interest Survey" taken at our last meeting. So far, it appears we may have enough members to start a pinochle Group. There was also a measurable interest in Co-Ed Dinners. Hiking is suspended until we get a handle on the true impact of the coronavirus. I am still looking for more activities for our branch to make the best Branch, Branch 23, even better. If you have an idea, opinion, or suggestion, I would love to hear from you.

## **2020 SIR PICNIC by Ray Zelinski**

The annual picnic was planned prior to the Coronavirus calamity and scheduled for Thursday May 28. We are moving forward with great optimism that the need to avoid circulating in public will be concluded by late May. There is no expense nor major preparation required for the picnic until a week or so prior to the picnic. That situation allows us to assume the picnic will happen and to begin efforts to implement the picnic plan. I will email a notice soon to all members urging signing up if you plan to attend. Payment will be deferred to the May meeting, or to picnic day if necessary. This proposed signing up and payment plan is extraordinary and a bit risky, but these are extraordinary times. We will need a fun event by the end of May. A Branch 23 picnic will fulfill that need. Stay tuned and stay healthy. See the flyer at the end of the bulletin.

## BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

Bocce Ball, bowling, golf, and hiking activities have been suspended pending relief from the coronavirus. Results from past tournaments will be reported in later edition of the Nugget.

## GOLF REPORT: 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/).

### Sign-ups for April Meeting:

Due to the coronavirus situation, all Sir activities have been cancelled until further notice. This situation has resulted in our current golf schedule being cancelled. When the restrictions are lifted, the signup information for rescheduled tournaments and resumption of the existing schedule will be provided by the Tournament Directors, Gary Bradley and Steve Ng.

Due to a lack of space, golf results will be reported in a later bulletin.

## NOTABLE MEMBER DATES FOR APRIL

### MEMBER JOIN DATES:

LeFebure, Tam	2002
Rogerson, Robin	2003
Mancarti, Brian	2017
Caldwell, Curt	2018
Reames, Gene	2018
Shilliday, Ron	2018
Biesanz, David	2019
Vijitakula, Paul	2019

### MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Mellon, Floyd	1932
Del Torchio, Marv	1934
Nielson, Bob	1936
Abel, Frank	1939
Yamamoto, George	1939
Smith, Don	1942
Findley, Dan	1947
Harr, Richard	1949
Brunton, Dave	1950
Ng, Steve	1957
Caldwell, Curt	1960

## MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

White, Joe and Joy	1947	Joyce, Paul and Mary	1986
Ahders, Bob and Jan	1970	Rogel, Al and Sue Liu	1993
Lum, Wes and Anita	1976		
Siskels, Chuck and Gail	1982		
Del Torchio, Marv and Sheri	1984		



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# FAMILY PICNIC

Wives, Companions, Grandkids, Friends Welcome

**Thursday, May 28, 2020, 11:30AM**

11:30 - noon Social, Noon - 1:00 lunch, 1:00 - 3:00 games

Carmichael Park Shelter House

## MENU:

**KFC Chicken, Corn, Baked Beans** (vegetarian available)

**Cole Slaw, Biscuits, Potato Salad, Dessert**

Ice water provided, Bring your own soda

(Sorry..alcoholic beverages prohibited in the park)

**Golf Chipping Contest & Bingo Prizes Awarded!!**

€1.00 Participation Fee for Both Golf and Bingo

**Cost: €10 per person**

**Sign up at the April & May Monthly Luncheon**

(Sorry, no signups at the park on May 28)

DIRECTIONS: Go west on Grant Ave from Fair Oaks Blvd; enter the park just past the group of buildings on your left; follow the "SIR Picnic" signs to the Shelter House at the south edge of the park.





