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**Monthly meetings are generally held at the Carmichael Elks Club on Cypress Avenue. Due to the Covid 19 epidemic, Branch 23 meetings are currently being held on the ZOOM platform.**

**The May, 2021 meeting will be held on the second Wednesday, the 12th. Details for access to the Zoom meeting will be announced to our membership a few days prior to the 10th.**

**Join Our ZOOM Lunch on Wed., May 12th, at Noon  
You will Discover Fascinating Facts About  
President Franklin Roosevelt's Floating Whitehouse  
The USS Potomac**



**Joe Winkel – USS Potomac Docent**

Joe has been a volunteer docent for 10 years on the USS Potomac. He serves as a docent for all of Potomac's various activities, including dockside tours, Bay cruises, school student tours, private charters, and guest speaking engagements.

He retired from IBM in 2000 but continued working in the "tech" industry with Aspect Communications for 10 more years until he truly retired in 2010.

He also volunteers at the San Leandro Police Department and is a member of the San Leandro Historical Railway Society.

Joe served 4 years in the US Navy as an electronics technician on the destroyer USS McKean (DD-784) serving off Viet Nam in 1964 and 1965.

Joe has 2 grown children and 3 grandsons. 5 years ago he married Diane Beardsley who is also a docent on the Potomac. They met as volunteers aboard the Potomac and were married aboard the Potomac by a Potomac captain.

**Big SIR  
RogerRiley  
With  
More  
Funny  
Stuff**



**God Bless  
America by  
Sarah Tietsort  
and  
U.S. Navy  
Band & Chorus**



**Big SIR  
Roger  
Will  
Lead  
The  
Pledge**



**A Special Drawing!**  
A Target Gift Card  
A Home Depot Gift Card  
Winners Must Be Present to Win



## **BIG SIR REPORT:**

As we begin the month of May, Sacramento remains in the Red Tier, which means we are unable to have indoor activities, so luncheons, bowling and other indoor events are on hold. However, plans are in the works for our branch to be able to possibly get together when we enter the less restrictive Orange Tier. Even then, there will be guidelines to follow. For example, the Elks Club ballroom, where we have our monthly luncheon, has a capacity of 400 people. In the Orange Tier, the maximum capacity is set at 25%, which means our full membership would not be able to attend, since we have 153 members. Plus, State Sir has mandated that ALL members must show proof that they have been fully vaccinated to be admitted to the luncheon. This latter point should not be a big issue, since Little SIR JD Bamfield says that most of our members are fully vaccinated.

JD and I met with the Elks Banquet Coordinator, Cindy Wright. We discussed the details of reopening and she indicated that the Elks team has been actively planning and hiring staff to be ready to open when our Branch gets the approval to meet indoors. Let's hope that happens soon!

Bowling will also be the next SIR activity to resume once the guidelines become less restrictive. Frank Demand will be in contact with you bowlers once the approval is given.

Bocce ball is set to resume on May 4 at Carmichael Park at 10am. Thanks to Dave Peterson for making the arrangements and I hope to see you there.

As you can see, we are slowly getting back to normal. It has been a long grind, but it won't be long before we can socialize as a large group in a few months. And don't forget, your first lunch will be FREE.

## **Roger Riley, Big SIR**

### **LITTLE SIR REPORT:**

Our May speaker is Joe Winkle, who is a volunteer docent on the USS Potomac, located at Jack London Square in the Oakland area. He serves as a docent for all of the Potomac's various activities, including dockside tours, Bay cruises, student tours, private charters, and also guest speaking appearances.

Mr. Winkle is going to tell us about the life of the USS Potomac, from its start as a Coast Guard cruiser to becoming FDR's very prestigious floating White House on Potomac Bay. Later the ship was bought and sold several times, variously used by famous people such as Elvis Presley, drug smugglers, and eventually falling into disuse and disrepair. Then it was rescued from being destroyed and now being restored as a national treasure.

Mr. Winkle retired from IBM in 2000, but continued to work in the technology industry until he retired again in 2010. He also volunteers at the San Leandro Police Department and is a member of the San Leandro Historical Railroad Society.

He served 4 years in the US Navy as an electronics technician on the destroyer USS McKean (DD-784), serving off the coast of Vietnam in 1964-1965.

Mr. McKean has 2 grown children and 3 grandsons. Five years ago he married Diane Beardsley, who is also a docent on the USS Potomac. They met as volunteers aboard the Potomac and were married on the ship by a USS Potomac Captain.

## **JD Bamfield, Little SIR**

**TREASURER’S REPORT: by Jim Coe**

(Beginning Balance (Checking)      March 1, 2021	\$6,380.61
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	1,221.00
Funds Disbursed	-0-
Ending Checking Balance              March 31, 2021	7,601.61
Ending Savings Balance	- 0-
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) Dec. 31, 2020	\$8,001,61

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Phil Sittner May 2021**

**Membership Status: 153**, including two Senior HLM and three HLM’s.

Deletions: None

New members inducted in April: None

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information: None

**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.

**BRANCH ACTIVITIES:**

As noted on Page 1, the next virtual meeting will be on Zoom, at **11:30 on MAY 12, 2021**. A link will be provided to you prior to the meeting. As always, if you need any assistance, please call one of the following zoom team members:

**General Davie      916-961-3199**

**JD Bamfield        916-757-2676**

**Lam Nguyễn        916-335-0357**

**OTHER BRANCH NEWS: [SirBranch23@googlegroups.com](mailto:SirBranch23@googlegroups.com).** Please do not use this website unless you want to communicate with all of the Branch 23 members at the same time.

**Branch 23 Sports Activities:**

**Bocce Ball will start on May 4, 10 am, at Carmichael Park. Thanks to David Peterson for his efforts to resume this fun sport.**

**Bowling: There is no new information regarding a start for bowling.**

**GOLF REPORT for May 2021 Nugget by 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/).

**2021 Schedule:** The golf schedule for 2021 is complete, and has been posted on the website and emailed out. Until we are able to resume our normal lunch schedule, signups for tournaments will be directly by email or phone to Gary Bradley and Steve Ng. They will send out emails to announce the signup schedule each month.

**Upcoming Tournaments:**

**18-Hole League:**

May 5, Teal Bend  
May 19, MacKenzie  
May 26, Cherry Island  
June 2, River Oaks  
June 17, Wildhawk, League Championship Nr. 2  
June 23, Bartley Cavanaugh

**9-Hole League:**

May 11, Emerald Lakes  
May 21, Arcade Creek Red  
June 4, William Land Park  
June 10, Cordova

**Tournament Results:**

**18-Hole League:**

**March 24, Dry Creek Ranch.**

Flight 1: Espinosa (63), Brunton (64), Biesanz (67). CTP: Bill Espinosa  
Flight 2: Marquez (65), Wall (65), Ng (66), Kenney (66). CTP: Marwan Siagian  
Flight 3: Askelson (63), Hamilton (67), Hanamura (67). CTP: Mike Pruss  
Flight 4: Peterson (61), Carisoza (65), Sheline (66). CTP: Ron Slusher

**March 30, Ancil Hoffman.**

Flight 1: Bradley (64), Battistessa (69), Ahders (70). CTP: Bill Abalona  
Flight 2: Scott Kenney (66), Joe Rodriguez (67), Angeloni (68). CTP: Scott Kenney  
Flight 3: Hanamura (65), Hamilton (68), DeLong (70). CTP: No Winner  
Flight 4: Nemzek (62), Peterson (68), Holmgren (72), Lenny (72). CTP: No Winner

**April 7, Mather.**

Flight 1: Bradley (67), Jones (68), Espinosa (68), Shilliday (68). CTP: Bill Espinosa

Flight 2: Dutcher (67), Domyancic (67), Boutros (67). CTP: Lam Nguyen

Flight 3: Askelson (65), Pruss (67), Hanamura (68), Pennington (68). CTP: Rich Singer

Flight 4: Slusher (60), Holmgren (64), Carisoza (65). CTP: Ron Slusher

**April 21, Davis.**

Flight 1: Fairhurst (60), Bradley (62), Shilliday (64). CTP: Gary Bradley

Flight 2: Jones (60), Landsittel (62), Domyancic (63). CTP: Tony Tipton

Flight 3: Zarzana (58), Pennington (59), Abel (59). CTP: David Nemzek

Flight 4: Lenny (56), Frank (61), Brush (63), Landers (63). CTP: Steve Brush

**9-Hole League:****April 2, Bradshaw Ranch**

Flight 1: Moore (26), Nemana (26), Schmidt (27), Mahoney (27). CTP: Marwan Siagian

Flight 2: Landsittel (25), Mohler (27), Nguyen (28). CTP: Steve Ng

Flight 3: Hamon (22), Callander (26), Carisoza (27). CTP: No Winner

**April 15, Emerald Lakes**

Flight 1: Abel (32), Sittner (34), Mahoney (35). CTP: Frank Abel

Flight 2: Tipton (33), Domyancic (33), Boutros (35), Dutcher (35), Landsittel (35).  
CTP: Paul Domyancic

Flight 3: Christopherson (32), Nguyen (38), Peterson (38). CTP: Ray Zelinski

**April 19, Arcade Creek Blue.**

Flight 1: Bamfield (31), Mahoney (35), Landsittel (37). CTP: Phil Sittner

Flight 2: Landers (36), Domyancic (37), Pruss (37), Westerman (37). CTP: No Winner

Flight 2: Lenny (33), Murrell (34), Bloomer (36), Carisoza (36). CTP: No Winner

**HIKING:**

On Thursday, April 22, our group hiked along the trail from a spot where Douglas Blvd. ends as you enter the Folsom Lake Recreational Area. We walked toward the Beal Point area, on the trail that eventually will get you near the Folsom Dam. It was a beautiful morning and eight members and guests enjoyed the +/- 4 mile hike. Some were able to spot the first snake of the season (not a rattler) near the end of the hike before it slithered into the brush.

Our next scheduled hike is at the Davis Arboretum, on May 27, 2021. See the hiking schedule for 2021 on the next page.

There is also a picture of some of the participants from the April hike at Folsom Lake. Note the vastly expanded beachfront, as the water level is extremely low.

**Brian Benner 916-747-1139.**



**JD Bamfierd is on the foreground, with Brian Benner on the right and Paul Domyancic. In the back is Tam LeFebure and his guest, Mary, at Folsom Lake.**

We've made it easy to plan your hikes. Go to our website ([sir23.org](http://sir23.org)), click on "ACTIVITIES". Hiking is listed just below Golf. All our hikes for 2021 are listed. To learn more about each hike click on "[Click Here](#)" and that takes you to the All Trails site and full details for that particular hike.

## HIKING

March 25th <b>Western States Trail</b> Auburn St. Recreation Area 2.3 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	April 22nd <b>Granite Bay to Beals</b> Folsom Lake Rec. Area 3.3 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	May 27th <b>UC Davis Arboretum</b> Abundance of Flowers 3.5 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	June 24th <b>Confluence Trail</b> Auburn St. Recreation Area 2.8 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	July 29th <b>Brannan Island Loop</b> Sacramento Delta 3+ Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>
August 26th <b>Monroe Ridge</b> Near Coloma Hist. Site 3.6 Miles / Moderate <a href="#">Click Here</a>	September 23rd <b>Hidden Falls Trail</b> Auburn St. Recreation Area 3.2 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	October 28th <b>Cosumnes Riv. Preserve</b> Near Elk Grove 3.3 Miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	November 18th <b>William Land Park</b> Sacramento 2 - 5 miles / Easy <a href="#">Click Here</a>	December ? Sacramento Christmas Lights Depending on Weather

## TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY FOR SIR MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Hello Travelers,

### **Top of Switzerland and Oberammergau, Germany and the Passion Play.**

**August 27 – September 7, 2022**

**Price: \$4,725 double occupancy (Land only)**

**Airfare to be added in October 2021.**

**Deposit of \$750 per person to hold reservation by June 15, 2021.**

**This trip was canceled in 2020 and there are only 10 spots  
left for our group and we will not receive any more.**

**So sign up now to reserve your spot for this great trip.**

**Highlights:** **2 night stay in Zurich, Switzerland.** Tour of city and leisure time on own to explore this great Swiss city.  
**1 night stay in Interlaken, Switzerland.** A trip to the “Top of Europe” with a Panorama 360 Degree Experience of viewing France, Germany, and Italy.  
**2 night stay in Brienz, Switzerland.** Visit a Woodcarving Museum, walk through the romantic Brunngrasse, once awarded the title “Most Beautiful Street in Europe.”  
**2 night stay in Lucerne, Switzerland.** A tour of the city and a farewell dinner to Switzerland.  
Travel through Innsbruck, Austria and on to the picturesque city of Oberammergau, Germany.  
**2 night stay in Oberammergau and the Passion Play.** The Passion Play takes place only once every 10 years and is performed by people that live in Oberammergau.  
**2 night stay in Munich, Germany.** Orientation featuring Olympic Stadium, Olympic Tower and Marienplatz.  
17 meals, Headsets throughout the tour, and much more.

**Contact Bill Stires at 209-988-5445 if interested in trip.**

**This is a great opportunity to travel to Europe. The play at Oberammergau is presented only once every ten years.**



## **IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES FOR MAY:**

### **JOIN DATES:**

Sutherland, Bill	2003
Nielsen, Bob	2005
Fairhurst, Neil	2006
Schmidt, Steve	2006
Domyancic, Paul	2011
Naquin, Dave	2011
Abalona , Bill	2017
Pruss, Mike	2017
Dobrowolski, Joe	2018
Lum, Wes	2018
Brown, Jean	2019
Mohler, Bob	2019
Slusher, Ron	2020

### **MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**

Shimek, Dennis	1937
Askelson, Paul	1937
Coe , Jim	1938
Nelsen, Barry	1938
Crews, Tommie	1939
Semans, Frank	1939
Fairhurst, Neil	1941
Holmgren, Mike	1943
Siagian, Marwan	1945
Sittner, Phil	1948
Pruss, Mike	1950
Hamilton, Dana	1951
Slusher, Ron	1953
Hubble, Gordon	1953
Nguyen, Lam	1953
Stott, Bob	1957

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Graebe , Fred and Hilde	1955
Brown, John and Patricia	1966
Yamamoto, George and Harumi	1967
Peterson, David and Elaine	1975
Rinaldi, Barney and Gail	1976
Elkins, Paul and Tanya	1978
Ng, Steve and Debby	1985
Doolittle, Jim and Joanne	1991
Hanamura, Mike and Lynn	1993
Laumer, Jerry and Pat	2004

