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Monthly meetings on 2nd Wednesdays Carmichael Elks Lodge 5631 Cypress, Carmichael
10:30 am Executive Meeting, 11:00 am social Noon Luncheon, Cost \$17.00

Please call Dave Nemzek (916-481-7171) by August 1, 2018 if you cannot attend the meeting. That is the Wednesday before the August 8 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 August 1.

Also, please call or email Ray Zelinski (916-961-4222) if you need to arrange a ride to the luncheon on August 8.

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Big Sir Report:

First of all, I want to recognize some members who have stepped forward to fulfill some branch needs. **Gordon Callander** volunteered to email monthly reminders to members to call Dave Nemzek if they are unable to attend the pending monthly luncheon. Associated with that task is the need to phone members who do not have email. **Mike Pruss** volunteered to help with that task. It would be appreciated if a couple more members volunteered to call so that no one needs to phone more than 5 or 6 members. And, last but not least, I thank **Joe Hannon** for volunteering to provide luncheon transportation for Richard "Pete" Peterson, who lost his ride when fellow member Jim Borden moved. Thanks to all of you!

While discussing luncheon related topics, I wish to chat about **table seating**. We provide 136 luncheon seats. We have been experiencing 100 to 110 in attendance the past several months. That means we have plenty of space to seat everyone who attends. The problem is that there is not always room for everyone who wishes to sit together at the same table. We will continue to wrestle with this problem in an attempt to find a satisfactory solution. I know that **there were some less-than-happy members last month; I apologize and will take responsibility for this problem. In return, I ask for your patience and flexibility** until we can arrive at a reasonable solution. Gaining 22 new members in the first seven months of the year is awesome, but it has impacted seating arrangements. **Please be understanding.**

BOCCE BALL anyone!! Dave Peterson is taking signups for this who wish to participate. Dave is negotiating with the Dante Club for Branch 23 time on their brand new courts (Did anyone catch the clip of the classy new Dante bocce court on CBS 13 recently). We hope to begin monthly competition soon. And while on the activities soap box, we would like to resume **Branch 23 horseshoe action** following our monthly luncheons on the Carmichael Elks horseshoe pits. **We need an interested member to coordinate this activity.** Email or call me (916-961-4222) to discuss details. And last but not least, you Giants fans need to step up and purchase River Cats (the Giants AAA farm team) tickets from Greg Hood. See details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Thanks for your attention. See you at the August 8 luncheon. Phil Sittner has a very intriguing speaker lined up. Check out his report.

Ray Zelinski

Little Sir Report:

Our July presenter, Bonnie Brea, gave an interesting look at Alzheimer's disease. The title of her presentation was "Know the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's Disease." Her topic, while not a comfortable one for many who fear this disease, was nonetheless well received by our members. Our thanks to Bonnie, who stepped in at the last minute for her associate, Alezandra Castillo-Weisberger, who was called away.

The program for August includes a presentation by Dr. Rajshree Gaitonde, highlighting her experiences as the first female doctor to work within the walls of Folsom Prison. She is also the author of "8,596 miles: My Leap of Faith, My Journey." We look forward to an interesting talk.

Looking ahead, our September speaker will be Jim Pearce, formerly the membership chairman and now president of the Fair Oaks Historical Society. I will have more on this in the September bulletin.

Phil Sittner

BRANCH BUSINESS: New Officers for 2019:

During the August meeting, the slate of officers for 2019 will be presented. The members nominated by the Branch Executive Committee are as follows: **Big SIR: Phil Sittner; Little SIR: David Peterson;**

Secretary: John Boss; Assistant Secretary: Tam LeFebure; Treasurer: Jim Coe; Assistant Treasurer: Don Landsittel.

Directors: Greg Hood, Gopal Nemana, Roger Riley, Gordon Routsong, Rich Singer, Ray Zelinski.

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Treasurer Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) June 1, 2018:	\$3,498.27
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	1,681.00
Funds Disbursed	1,769.48
Ending Checking Balance June 30, 2018	3,409.79
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) June 30, 2018	\$3,809.79

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. Jeanette Crabb, wife of Branch 23 member Harry Crabb, passed away recently. Her service was held on Tuesday, July 24th. Our condolences go to our fellow SIR Harry, the family, and friends of the family.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Carroll Hamon

Membership Status: 155 active members, including one Senior HLM, three HLMs, and four Emeritus members. In addition, there are **15 inactive** members.

Deletions: George Dunham resigned on July 18, 2018.

Active to Inactive: Tom Bogetich, due to health reasons.

New Members in June: Carl Baumgartner, sponsor John Rowland; Buzz Kopf, sponsor Dave Peterson.

New Members to be Inducted in August: None

Other Membership/Roster Changes: James Miller's correct email address is: jimml151@gmail.com.

Also, your membership Chair failed to note in the March Nugget that Bill Lynch resigned on Feb. 10, 2018, but he was taken off the roll at that time.

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION

Carl Baumgartner
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Carl was born on March 10, 1950. He was a teacher and coach at San Juan Unified School District when he retired in June 2010. He is married to Nina. His main interests are baseball and grandchildren. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 11, 2018 and was assigned badge #189. His sponsor was John Rowland.

Jonathan “Buzz” Kopf
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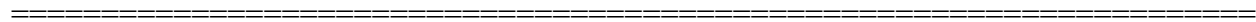
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Buzz was born on February 26, 1945. He was in Customer Service at Delta Airlines when he retired on October 31, 2001. He is married to Sheila. His interests are watching sports on TV and doing yard work (ugh). He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 11, 2018 and was assigned badge #190. His sponsor was Dave Peterson.

Last month the pictures for new inductees Jim Miller and Phil Phelps were placed next to the other’s biography. Jim Miller is pictured below left and Phil Phelps is below right.



BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

BASEBALL

August 9, 2019

Greg Hood still has **several** tickets to the River Cars game on another "Thirsty Thursday" at Raley Field. Tickets are \$19.50 each. Make checks payable to Greg Hood and send to: 19 Free River Court, Sacramento, 95831. Any questions, please call Greg at 916-717-7874. The game is scheduled for August 9th.

Also, at the Devil's Slide area near Pacifica, Greg is arranging a docent led tour scheduled for September 20. This tour can accommodate only 12 people, as **the plan to rent a van and drive as a group. If you want to travel separately, please let Greg know.** This **walking tour** will walk the old Highway 1 route that routinely washed out during winter, causing major traffic delays to commuters south of that area. The walk is relatively flat and covers about 2 miles. The plan is to have lunch as a group in a nearby restaurant then return home.

BOWLING: Frank Semans

The SIRS bowling league for 2018/2019 will have an organizational meeting on Tuesday, August 21. It will be at Country Club Lanes (upstairs) at 11:00AM. All bowlers are invited to attend this meeting. New bowlers will be assigned to a team or can form their own team.

Returning bowlers can confirm their existing teams or add someone new.

The league officially begins on Tuesday August 28 at County Club Lanes. Please be there by 11:30.

GOLF NEWS: Bill Sutherland

Branch 23 Golf website: Visit this site to determine starting times, pairings results, and other golf related items. Address is web2golfsoftware.net/9958/

18 hole golf:

August Lunch Signups:

September 5, Ancil Hoffman, 3rd League Championship
September 19, Empire Ranch, individual event, dual tees

Tournament results:

Bartley Cavanaugh, June 27:

Flight 1: Dutcher (65), Novi (66), Fairhurst (66), CTP: Ron Shilliday
Flight 2: Findley (70), Siagian (71), Bamfield (74), CTP: Dan Findley
Flight 3: Zarzana (64), Buss (67), Pruss (67), CTP: Steve Bussl
Flight 4: Sittner (65), Nemana (68), Pennington (68), CTP: No winner

River Oaks, July 5:

Flight 1: Fairhurst (67), Abalona (67), Miller (76), Landsittel (70), CPT Neil Fairhurst
Flight 2: McGuire (70), Ng (70), Scott Kenney (72), CTP: Steve Schmidt
Flight 3: Riley (66), Buss (67), Abel (68), CTP: No winner
Flight 4: Brush (62), Stakolich(63), Frank (66), CTP: No winner

Del Paso, July 10:

Flight 1: Rowland (59), Bradley (65), Siagin (66) (67)
Flight 2: Abel (67), Pennington (70), Phelps (70)

Bing Maloney, July 18:

Flight 1: Landsittel (66), Espinosa (66), McGuire (67), Caldwell (67), CTP: Bill Espinosa
Flight 2: Askelson (67), Bamfield (68), Semans (70), Pruss (70), CTP: Steve Ng
Flight 3: LeFebure (65), Sittner (66), mastalski (67), CTP: Tam LeFebure
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Flight 4: Landers (67), Routsong (68), Frank (69), CTP: No winner

9 hole golf:**Sign-ups for August meeting meeting:**

August 20, Monday, Antelope Greens

August 31, Friday, Arcade Creek

September 10, Monday, Antelope Greens

September 13, Thursday, Davis

Tournament Results: Nine hole League:**Arcade Creek, July 2:**

Flight 1: Dutcher (28), Sutherland (34), Mahoney (35), CTP Bill Sutherland
Flight 2: Heavner (31), Mastalski (31), Sittner (32), CTP: Jim Heavner
Flight 3: Clark (27), Lythgoe (32), Salminen (33), CTP: Birge Clark

Emerald Lakes, July 12:

Flight 1: Phelps (34), Mastalski (35), Semans (36), Pennington (36) CTP: Phil Phelps
Flight 2: Wall (29), Scott Kenney 930), LeFebure (31), CTP: Sam Scarlett
Flight 3: Suckow (35), Ng (35), Frank (36), Clark (36) CTP: Bob Kenney

Branch Golf History:

Sir Branch 23 will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2019. Since the beginning, the golf program has been a hallmark activity of the branch, but details of the extent of its activity are very limited. We do know that through the 1990's and into this century the participation in both leagues was greater than it is today. Some old-timers can remember many 18 hole tournaments with over 100 players.

It is unfortunate that we lack the historical records of past participation, as many of the older members, some still active in the branch but no longer able to compete, would enjoy seeing

those statistics. However, since our golf leagues incorporated the use of commercial software for tournament management and handicapping in 2005, we do have accurate records of our golf participation in these last 14 seasons. As we move into our 50th anniversary season, this column will periodically include some golf history, starting with individual participation leaders since 2005.

Overall, the current members who have played in the most tournaments combining both leagues are **Frank Abel** and **Cass Mastalski**, both with 467 tournaments. The most events played in the 18 hole league belong to **Joe Rodriguez** with 288; the most played in the 9 hole league is **Chris Christopherson** with 193. It is significant to note that the most events played in the 9 hole league since 2005 was 207 by **Russ Korhonen**, who passed away this spring. The top ten current players in each category are as follows: Note that these statistics are based on the number of scores entered into the handicap program. They do not include rounds played in the team events like shambles and scrambles in the 18 hole league, nor rounds that the player does not finish.

Combined for both leagues:

	9 Hole	18 Hole	Total
Frank Abel	185	281	467
Cass Mastalski	183	284	467
Bill Sutherland	187	253	440
Howard Frank	154	260	414
Bob Stakolich	135	274	409
Chris Christopherson:	193	209	402
Sam Scarlett	152	231	383
Franks Semans	109	274	383
George Hood	176	196	372
Marwan Sagian	125	238	363

18 Hole League:

Joe Rodriguez	288
Cass Mastalski	284
Frank Abel	281
Frank Semans	274
Bob Stakolich	274
Tam LeFebure	273
Neil Fairhurst	260
Bill Sutherland	260
David Nemzek	245

9 Hole League:

Chris Christopherson	193	Cass Mastalski	183
Mike Catino	191	George Hood	176
Ray Zelinski	188	John Mahoney	155
Bill Sutherland	187	Howard Frank	154
Frank Abel	186	Sam Scarlett	152

Notable Member Dates:

JOIN ANNIVERSARIES:

Kenney, Bob	1986	
Christopherson, Chris	1995	
Abel, Frank	1999	
Graebe, Fred	2001	
Hamon, Carroll	2004	
Kovar, Len	2006	i
Routsong, Gordon	2013	
Bailey, David	2014	
Sittner, Phil	2015	
Findley, Dan	2016	
Suckow, Lowell	2016	
Yakabe, Chuck	2016	
Mitchell, Marc	2017	

BIRTHDAYS:

Bogetich, Tom	i	Bill Kimball	
Landers, Odell		James Miller	
Landsittel, Don		Joe Sandhu	
Lindsey, Bill		Gene Tognetti	
Peterson, Dave		Darrell Schneider	
Davie, General		Costa, Bill	
Buss, Steve		Gib Wright	i
Benner, Brian			

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Kimball, Bill and Sandra	Wall, Kevin and Linda
Christopherson, Chris and Jeanne	Cattanach, Dave and Dru
Barsch, Ray and Dorothy	Adams, Jerry and Linda
Bogetich, Tom and Francesca	Tipton, Tony and Debbie
Wilson, Jerry and Lynette	Moller, Kurt and Mary
Sutherland, Bill and Janice	Don and Suzanne Rodriguez
Battistessa, Rich and Diane	
Bradley, Gary and Bobbie	