

# The NUGGET JUNE 2018



ELDORADO BRANCH NO. 23

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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 if you cannot attend the meeting. 481-7173. We need an accurate count.

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## Big Sir Report:

There was a fair attendance for our 7th Annual Branch 23 springtime picnic held on May 15. All attendees seemed to enjoy the KFC catered meal supplemented with the delicious Monteverde baked beans and the sumptuous Bradley brownies. And, of course, there was the Gary Bradley golf chipping contest (co-winners Rich Singer, Frank Semans and Marwan Siagian); and the lively Tom Novi Bingo Blast to keep all entertained. It is too bad that more of our members and spouses were unable to attend, or chose not to attend. They missed out on a fun event. Thanks to many of the attendees for helping with setup, serving & cleanup. (continued on page 2)

Just as the picnic success is based on volunteers, another noteworthy volunteer project is underway. Dallas Pennington has taken on the task of having a golf memorial plaque mounted on a bench at one of the MacKenzie golf course tee boxes in honor of our late member Russ Korhonen. Russ was very committed to both the SIR 23 9 and 18 hole golf programs. Of course, there is a cost to this very deserving tribute to Russ. Look for information from Dallas outlining how you can pledge to join and support this very meaningful project.

And another opportunity to volunteer. A team of members consisting of Greg Hood, Roger Riley and Dave Peterson volunteered to investigate several options to help Br 23 obtain a more accurate monthly luncheon attendance number. Obtaining a more accurate number is essential to help control unnecessary escalating costs to the membership. A plan has been proposed, but it will take effort from a few member volunteers to implement the plan. A notice outlining the plan, and probable associated duties, will be distributed to members in the near future. I am confident that a necessary number of fiscally conscious members will step up to assist with this effort.

Finally, as we shift from the Spring season, I want to extend my wishes to all of you for a very pleasant Summer Season. Enjoy!

**Big Sir Ray Zelinski**

#### **LITTLE SIR REPORT:**

Our May speaker was Mr. Steve Beck, historian with Sutter's Fort State Historic Park. Steve's presentation was unusual in that he had prepared eight separate topics and offered us our choice of which was to be presented. The chosen topic, "Birth of the Indomitable City: From Sutter to Sacramento, gave an insightful glimpse into the character, drive, and charm of John Sutter. With his charming, cheerful and euphoric manner, Mr. Beck offered a fact-filled presentation of our city's early years. While Mr. Beck is scheduled to retire soon, he has agreed to return to speak to our branch in the future.

Our June speaker is Guy Hall, a Global Technologist who has spent 29 years in R&D at Hewlett-Packard. Mr. Hall is a proponent of electric vehicles, which is the topic of his presentation. The formal topic is "The Surprising Past, Our Amazing Present and the Disruptive Future of Electric Cars". Personally, I hope the rapid development of self driven cars matures before I reach the age where driving is problematic for me and a self driving vehicle will allow the retention of travel freedom. This should be a most interesting topic.

**Little Sir Phil Sittner**

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

(Beginning Balance (Checking), April1, 2018:	\$3,879.93
Beginning Petty Cash	550.00
Funds Received:	2,085.00
Funds Disbursed	2,423.60
Ending Checking Balance April 30, 2018	3,541.33
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) March 31, 2018	\$3,941.33

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

**Deletions:** Lee Landry reluctantly resigned from membership on May 14, 2018, because of accumulating family responsibilities.

**Active to Inactive:** Andre Butros to inactive on 4/2/18

**New Members in May:** Indru Kriplani, sponsor Gopal Nemana

Wesley 'Wes' Lum, transferred from Branch 50

Joe Dobrowolski, transferred from Branch 50

**New Members to be Inducted in June:** James Miller, sponsor Don Landsittel

**Other Membership/Roster Changes:** None

**NEW MEMBER INFORMATION**

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Indru was born on February 11, 1934. He is married to Pramila. He was a principal in the firm of Global Investments when he retired on January 1, 2004. His interests are golf, bridge and reading. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. Indru became a member of Branch 23 on May 9, 2018 and was assigned badge #198.

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Joe was born on March 16, 1940. He is married to Marge. He was a Civil (Highway) Engineer for CalTrans when he retired on May 1, 2002. His interests are gardening, computers, mutual funds and photography. He prefers to

receive the Nugget electronically. Joe became a member of Branch 23 on April 11, 2018 and was assigned badge #183.

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Wes was born on March 21, 1949. He was a Transportation Engineer at CalTrans when he retired in January April 1, 2011. His interests are reading, bicycling, hiking, birding, swimming and traveling. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. Wes became a member of Branch 23 on May 9, 2018 and was assigned badge #199.

**BOWLING NEWS: by Frank Semans**

**2017-2018 Wrap up:  
League awards for Branch 23 Teams and players:**

<b>Dream Team (21)</b>	<b>Division 3</b>	<b>Arlis Coy, Roger Neighbors, Bob Nielsen</b>
<b>Groovers (2)</b>	<b>Division 2</b>	<b>Frank Semans, Marwan Siagian, Kevin Neal</b>
<b>Strikers (19)</b>	<b>Division 4</b>	<b>David Naquin</b>
<b>Alley Oops (12)</b>	<b>Division 3</b>	<b>Carroll Hamon, Ray Zelinski</b>
<b>Capital Cit (11)</b>	<b>Division 2</b>	<b>Bill Kimball</b>
<b>Hi Five (4)</b>	<b>Division 4</b>	<b>Tony Tipton</b>

**Hi Five finished 1st in Division 4 and 4th in the League Championship.  
Groovers had high scratch game (781) in Division 2.  
Strikers had high scratch series (1972) in Division 4.  
Frank Semans was first (age 73-79) with 11 games 40 over average.  
Kevin Wall was the most improved bowler (55-72) with a + 26.89 gain in average.  
Jim Smalling was the overall bowler of the year and finished with a 219 average.**

**Next year’s season will begin August with an organizational meeting and commence bowling in September.**

**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/](http://web2golfsoftware.net/9958/)**

**Hole-in-one report:**

**The 18 hole league experienced two holes in one this reporting period. On April 25, Jim DeLong holed out on the 6th hole at MacKenzie, which was also the CTP hole. On May 24,**

**John Boss scored a hole in one on the 7th hole at Wild Wings. That was not the CTP hole that day.**

**18 hole golf:**

**June Lunch Signups:**

**June 27, Wednesday, Bartley Cavanaugh, individual event, dual tees.**

**July 5, Thursday, River Oaks, dual tees.**

**July 10, Del Paso Country Club, Guests welcome. Please be sure you have adequate money in your account.**

**July 18, Wednesday, Bing Maloney, individual event, dual tees.**

**Tournament results:**

**MacKenzie, April 25:**

Flight 1: Jones (63), Sutherland (660), Battistessa (68), CTP: Don Rodriguez

Flight 2: Scott Kenney (64), Rowland (660), DeLong (66),  
CTP: Jim DeLong hole in one

Flight 3: Caldwell (61), Dutcher (63), Heavner (69), CTP: Steve Buss

Flight 4: Leatherby (60), Stakolich (63), Boss (67), Lenny (67), CTP: Stakolich

**Ancil Hoffman, May 2:**

Flight 1: Rowland (72), Bradley (74), Espinosa (75), Fairhurst (75), CTP: None

Flight 2: Wall (68), Monteverde (69), Zarzana (69), CTP: Scott Kenney

Flight 3: Mastalski (63), Caldwell (65), Abel (66), CTP: Mastalski

Flight 4: Davie (66), Lenny (67), Nemzek (68), Siegfried (68), CTP: Zelinski

**Davis, May 10: (Rescheduled from March 21)**

Flight 1: Landsittel (63), Rowland (64), Battistessa (65), CTP: Neil Fairhurst

Flight 2: Scott Kenney (62), Lindsey (63), McGuire (64), Joe Rodriguez (64), CTP: Askelson

Flight 3: Abel (58), Pennington (63), Leatherby (63), CTP: Leatherby

Flight 4: Lenny (60), Boss (60), Landers (61), Nemzek (61), Westerman (61),  
CTP Ray Zelinski (1' 9")

**Timber Creek, May 16:**

Flight 1: Rowland (71), Ahders (71), Riley (72), CTP: John Mahoney

Flight 2: LeFebure (69), McGuire (71), Zarzana (78), CTP: Jim DeLong

Flight 3: Caldwell (70), mastalski (72), Sittner (73), CTP: Rich Singer

Flight 4: Davie (65), Lenny (74), Stakolich (80), CTP: No winner

**Wild Wing, May 23:**

Flight 1: Landsittel (67), Mahoney (69), Jones (71), CTP: No winner

Flight 2: Ng (67), Askelson (68), Caldwell (71), CTP: Steve Ng

Flight 3: Mastalski (62), Heavner (67), Leatherby (67), Abel (67), CTP: None

**John Boss had a hole in one on the 7th hole.**

Flight 4: Stakolich (64), Callander (65), Western (66), CYP: Phil Sittner

**9-hole Golf:**

**Sign-ups for June meeting:**  
**June 22, Friday, Emerald Lakes**  
**July 2, Monday, Arcade Creek**  
**July 12, Thursday, Emerald Lakes**

**Tournament Results: Nine hole League:**

**Bing Executive Nine:**

Flight 1: Wall (26), Dutcher (28), Heavner (28), CTP: Marwan Siagian  
Flight 2: Christopherson (22), Ng (24), Callander (24), CTP: Bob Kenney

**Emerald Lakes, May 8:**

Flight 1: Pennington (31), Mastalski (33), Dutcher (33), CTP: Jim Heavner  
Flight 2: LeFebure (32), Westerman (34), Sittner (36), CTP: Jerry Westerman  
Flight 3: Ng (30), Zelinski (35), Frank (36), Hamon (36), CTP: Ray Zelinski

**Arcade Creek:**

Flight 1: Heavner (31), LeFebure (32), Dutcher (33), Sutherland (33), CTP: Scott Kenney  
Flight 2: Sittner (31), Salminen (36), Ng (39), Callander (39), CTP: Fred Lythgoe

**Notable Member Dates:**

**JOIN ANNIVERSARIES:**

1995 Sam Scarlett	2006 Robert "Whiz" Whisenhunt (i)	2016 Bob Stott
1997 George Hood	2009 Jim Coe	
2003 Bob Stakolich	2013 Bonner Smith	
2006 Jim DeLong	2015 Steve Vahle (i)	

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Robert Whizenhunt (i)	Jim Borden	John Mahoney
Dave Bailey	Kurt Moller	Jerry Westerman
Ed Hodan (e)	Bob Yeager	Roger Neighbors
Don Kehoe (e)	Bill Sutherland	Kevin Wall

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Scarlett, Sam and Pat	Clark, Birge and Prudy
Couture, Ernie and Jewel	Marquart, Gene and Judy
Hamon, Carroll and Betty	Schneider, Darrell and Dixie
Newell, Stan and Joy	Coe, Jim and Ethel
Mellon, Floyd and Jan	Routsong, Gordon and Barbara

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES (Continued)**

Abel, Frank and Barbara  
Matsuo, Ben and Eileen  
Morehead, Wayne and Pat  
Yakabe, Chuck and Kay  
Semans, Frank and Sandra  
Rowland, John and Linda  
Zelinski, Ray and Carol  
Mahoney, John and Connie

Brush, Steve and Carol  
Andrade, Wayne and Suzan  
Harr, Richard and Phyllis  
Lenny, Paul and Debi  
Rogel, John and Jean  
Jones, Mark and Gina  
Mitchell, Marc and Renee

#### **OTHER IMPORTANT BRANCH NEWS:**

#### **PROPOSED PLAQUE HONORING RUSS KORHONEN**

The SIR 23 golf committee has suggested and approved placing a Plaque honoring the work of the late SIR 23 member, Russ Korhonen, on a bench behind the 18th hole at the Haggin Oaks MacKenzie course.

The Plaque would honor Russ for his long-standing work on behalf of the 9-hole golf group as well as other service to Branch 23. Russ volunteered this service to insure the enjoyment of our members. His efforts are surely appreciated. It is proposed that the Plaque read:

RUSS KORHONEN  
1940 to 2018  
FOR HIS LOVE OF GOLF  
AND  
HIS SERVICE TO SIR BRANCH 23

The cost of the Plaque and its placement is \$275. The Committee already have pledges of approximately \$100 from Russ's friends. The Committee will sit at the 9-hole golf table at the June meeting where any and all members, golfers and friends are invited to make a contribution to the purchase and placement of the Plaque. Any contributions in excess of cost will be added to the Golf fund. (Information from Dallas Pennington)

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To summarize an email dated May 23 from Big Sir Ray Zelinski to all members of Branch 23, the Dante Club presents the **Viva Vino!** event on **Sunday, June 10th** at the Dante Club. The event runs from 1pm until 4pm that day only. The event highlights wines, beers, and olive oil from local and regional producers along with good food, music, and art.

The Dante Club, Sacramento's premier Italian Cultural organization, is presenting this for the seventh year. The Dante Club is located at 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd, between Howe and Fulton Avenues. There is plenty of parking onsite .

Advance reservations are available online for \$25 each until June 6, 2018. After June 6, tickets can be purchased at the event by cash or check for \$30 each.

To make reservations online go to: <http://www.danteclub.com/salendar.php>