

The NUGGET NOVEMBER 2017



ELDORADO BRANCH NO. 23

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE AND DIGNITY OF RETIREMENT

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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 \$15

Please call Dave Nemzek if you cannot attend the meeting. 481-7173. We need an accurate count.

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BIG SIR REPORT:

“We tend to forget that happiness doesn’t come as a result of getting something we don’t have, but rather of recognizing and appreciating what we do have” Frederick Keonig.

In this month of Thanksgiving, I would like to take a bit of time to thank those who have made this year so special for our branch. Thanks to all of the officers and directors who month in and

month out offer their expertise as they fill important roles for efficient branch operations. Thanks also to those committee leaders who pay close attention to the details of membership—recruiting and enrolling new members, those celebrating “senior” events; the 9 and 18 hole golf chairs and the support group who make those programs run flawlessly; to the bowling league lead for coordinating that program; and to those who go out of their way offering help to those needing assistance to attend meetings. Thanks also to the publishers of monthly, quarterly, and annual reports; those welcoming members and signing them in at meetings; and those who keep track of and visit ailing Branch members.

Most of all, though, thanks to each of you, the Branch 23 members, whose active participation in the Branch offerings bring use closer together as a group. For me, that is why it is a pleasure to be a part of this particular Branch.

**Big Sir Greg Hood**

**LITTLE SIR REPORT:**

At the October luncheon, Officer James Hart discussed the best practices for selecting and installing a video surveillance system. The topic covered what a video surveillance system is, the parts, different types and installation. He also discussed the Sheriff’s S.E.E. (Sheriff’s Electronic Eye) camera Registry Program. I wish to thank Officer Hart for his time and effort in providing us with a very informative and interesting program.

Joyce Bilyeu will be our November speaker. She is Director of Client Services for the Sacramento Regional Family Justice Center (SRF JC). The center was the brainchild of Jan Scully Royse, former Sacramento County District Attorney, who convened numerous community stakeholders several years ago to craft a strategic plan creating the center. The objective of this organization is to be an advocate, counselor, and supporter for victims of domestic violence., human trafficking,, and elder abuse. The SRF JC offers a safe, healing environment for those victims through an array of needed services by collaborating with existing public, private, and community based programs. Joyce will give us an overview of services and programs offered by the SRF JC.

In closing, I want to recognize Acting Big SIR Greg Hood for his enthusiastic response to duty at short notice and in an emergency situation. When the elected Big SIR, Paul Joyce, experienced unexpected medical issues, Greg responded to Paul’s request to fill in without hesitation. He has performed the Big SIR duties in his usual competent and upbeat style. And his positive response is in addition to his other ongoing responsibilities such as organizing the Giants game trip, conducting the tour of Alcatraz, photographing new members, organizing the December Ladies Christmas party, and other assorted business. I urge all members to make it a point to personally thank Greg for his commitment to the continued success of Branch 23.

**Little Sir Ray Zelinski**

**TREASURER’S REPORT: by Assistant Treasurer Don Landsittel**

(Beginning Balance (Checking), August 1, 2017:	\$3, 030.08
Funds Received:	1,475.00
Funds Disbursed	1,929.29
Ending Checking Balance June 30, 2017	\$2,575.79
Ending Savings Balance	\$ 0
Ending Petty Cash	\$ 400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash)	\$2,975.79

**SUNSHINE REPORT:     by Chris Christopherson:**

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

**SPECIAL AWARD:**

**At our October luncheon, our branch was honored by the presence of Robert B. “Whiz” Whisenhunt. Whiz turned 100 years old on June 30, 2017, and is Branch 23’s first member to receive the “Century Sir President’s Award”. “Whiz” has been a branch member since 2006. Whiz is part of the Greatest Generation and survived the invasion of Europe and the Battle of the Bulge. We wish good health to him and thank him for his service to our country.**



**In the foreground, “Century Sir President’s Award” recipient, “Whiz Whisenhunt (left), and Big Sir Greg Hood (right).**

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:   by Carroll Hamon**

**Membership Status:** 143 **active** members, including one Senior HLM, two HLMs, and six Emeritus members. In addition, there are 15 **inactive** members.

**Deletions:** **Bob Belancik** and **Billy Barnes** both resigned for health reasons

**Bobby Chiles, Richard Dillon, Arthur Gooch, and Gene Olson** were inactive and dropped from membership because we were unable to contact them.

**Active to Inactive: David Cattanach, Bob Vahle and Robert Welsh**

**New Members in October: Jim Borden, Garrett Corrigan, Peter Doljanin, Gerald Laumer, and Pete Peterson, all transferred from Branch 50 and Gordon Callander transferred from Branch 102**

**New Members to be Inducted in November: Ronald Hollis, transfer from Branch 50; William Loftus, sponsor Paul Askelson; Jesse Salto, sponsor Gordon Callander.**

**New Member Information:**

**Gordon A. Callander (Pictured lower left)**

Gordon was born on December 12, 1939. He was the Owner of East Bay SuperPrint when he retired on June 26, 2005. He is married to Gladys. His interests are golf, motor homing and cards. He became a member of Branch 23 on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge # 162. He transferred from Branch 102.

**Gerald 'Jerry' Laumer (Pictured center)**

Jerry was born on July 26, 1934. He was a Civil Engineer with CalTrans when he retired on June 1, 2000. He is married to Pat. His interest is watching sports. He became a member of Branch 23 on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge # 72. He transferred his membership from Branch 50.

**Peter "Pete" Doljanin (Pictured lower right)**

Pete was born on July 8, 1934. He was a Civil Engineer with CalTrans when he retired on May 1, 1998. He is married to LaOra. His interest is gardening and growing both fruits and vegetables. He became a member of Branch 23 on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge # 153. He transferred his membership from Branch 50.



**Gordon Callander**



**Jerry Laumer**



**Pete Doljanin**

**Garrett Corrigan (Pictured below left)**

Garrett was born on December 12, 1934. He was an Engineer with CalTrans when he retired on December 15, 1997. He became a member of Branch 23 on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge # 94. He transferred from Branch 50.

**James 'Jim' Borden (Pictured below center)**

Jim was born on June 6, 1935. He was the State Traffic Engineer at CalTrans when he retired on December 31, 1998. He is married to Earlene. His interests are duck hunting, golf, softball and fishing. He became a member of Branch 23 on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge # 103. He transferred from Branch 50.

**Richard "Pete" Peterson (Pictured below right)**

Pete was born on February 14, 1931. He was the Equipment Superintendent at CalTrans when he retired on May 1, 1991. He is married to Carleton. His main interest is in books. He became a member on October 11, 2017 and was assigned badge #84. He transferred his membership from Branch 50.



**Garrett Corrigan**



**Jim Borden**



**Pete Peterson**

**\*\*\*Please see page seven for additional membership news, as well as bowling and golf information and results.**

# SIR BRANCH 23 CELEBRATES THE HOLIDAYS



Bring your spouse, significant other or come by yourself as we celebrate the season, the friendships we share and some good food.

For the first 50 people, free transportation will be provided. Pick-up at 9:30 (Elks Lodge), leaving from Red Hawk at 2:00

**December 13, 2017 – 10am – 2pm**  
**Lunch from 11:30-1**

**Red Hawk Casino**  
**Shingle Springs**

**\$20 per person (sign up at Sept-Nov lunches)**

- (includes Waterfall Buffet and small gifts for the ladies/significant others and couples celebrating significant anniversaries of 50 years and more)

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Additionally, Dave Salminen has returned to active status and newer member Marc Mitchell has now had his picture taken with the official SIR Branch 23 camera.



Dave Salminen



Marc Mitchell

**BOWLING NEWS: by Frank Semans**

<b>SIR League High Score</b>		<b>Game</b>	<b>Series</b>
Scratch	None		
Handicap	None		

**200+ games bowled by:**

week 2	Roger Neighbors	200
week 3	Frank Semans	211

**Branch 23 TEAM Standings:**

	<b>Won</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>Dream Team (21) (Div. 3)</b> <b>Coy, Neighbors, Nielson, Benson (Br.?)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Groovers ( 2) (Div 2)</b> <b>Semans, Siagian, Wall, Shank (Br ?)</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Strikers (19) (Div 4)</b> <b>Naquin, Hettinger (Br.?) Salman (?), Shanahan (?)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Alley Oops (12) (Div 2)</b> <b>Hamon, Zelinski, Wright Br.?), Weaver (Br.?)</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>2</b>

**Honor Roll: Exceptional:**

**(70+ over average game/or series): week 5 Kevin Wall 409 + 88 series.**

**Above Average:**

<b>(40+ over average game and/or series</b>	<b>game</b>	<b>series</b>	
wk 2 Marwan Siagian		546	+69
wk 2 Roger Neighbors	200 + 51	507	+60
wk 3 Frank Semans	211 + 49	549	+63
wk 3 Ray Zelinski		447	+57
wk 4 Carroll Hamon		466	+55
wk 4 Kevin Wall		367	+52
wk 4 Marwan Siagian		518	+41
wk 5 Kevin Wall	150 + 43		

**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/)**

**18 Hole golf:**

**Signups for the November meeting include:**

November 14, Del Paso CC, Noon tee times, \$70 green fee.  
Del Paso is a pre-pay event. Make checks to "Sir Golf". Feel free to invite a guest or guests.

Also, the golf awards luncheon is Friday December 1 at the Cattlemen's Restaurant, Rancho Cordova, lunch at noon, cocktails at 11:00am.

**TOURNAMENT RESULTS:**

**Lincoln Hills, September 28.**

Flight 1: Abalona (68), Mahoney (69), McGuire (70). CTP: Don Landsittel),  
Flight 2: Semans (51), Scott Kenney (62), Findley (62). CTP: Steve Schmidt  
Flight 3: Novi (64), Fotopoulos (65), Abel (65). CTP: Phil Fotopoulos  
Flight 4: Westerman (59), Pennington (63), Zelinski (65). CTP: Ray Zelinski.

**MacKenzie, League Championship #4, October 4.**

Flight 1: Schmidt (67), McGuire (69), Monteverde (69). CTP: No winner  
Flight 2: Yamamoto (67), Lindsey(67), DeLong (69). CTP: Paul Domyancic  
Flight 3: Heavner (62), Fotopoulos (63), Sittner (64). CTP: David Leatherby  
Flight 4: Bloomer (56), Clark (61), Boss (66). CTP: John Bloomer

**Bing Maloney, October 18.**

Flight 1: Schmidt (72), Abalona (73), Bradley (73). CTP John Mahoney  
Flight 2: Askelson (74), Lindsey (75), Wall (79). CTP: No winner  
Flight 3. Riley (71), Mastalski (72), Novi (72), CTP: Phil Fotopoulos  
Flight 4: Peterson (66), George Hood (70), Christopherson (70), CTP No winner



### **Bart Cavanaugh, League Championship #5**

Flight 1: Fairhurst (64), Abalona (67), Jones (68), CTP: John Mahoney  
Flight 2: Lefebure (65), Lindsey (71), Siagian (74). CTP: Tam LeFebure  
Flight 3: Dutcher (68), Catino (69), Abel (70), CTP: Cass Mastalski  
Flight 4: Ng (64), Christopherson (71), Scarlett (73). CTP: No winner.

### **Final League Championship Results:**

Flight 1: Bob Ahders (-8), Neil Fairhurst (-7), Gary Bradley (-6).  
Flight 2: Bill Lindsey (-6), Bill McGuire (-5), Marwan Siagian (-1).  
Flight 3: Jim Heavner (-12), Tom Novi (-11), Cass Mastalski (-9).  
Flight 4: Steve Ng (18), George Hood (-12), David Nemzek (-5).

### **9 Hole golf:**

### **Tournament Results:**

#### **Cordova, October 12:**

Flight 1: Siagian (32), Heavner (34), Catino (35), CTP: Mike Catino  
Back nine winner: Steve Schmidt (26).  
Flight 2: Lythgoe (30), Pennington (33), Ng (33). CTP: Dallas Pennington  
Back Nine winner: Dallas Pennington.

### **NOTABLE NOVEMBER MEMBER DATES:**

#### **JOIN ANNIVERSARIES:**

1986 Arlie Veis	2005 Dave Nemzek
1993 Dick Oxford	2008 Ted Nicolos (i)
2000 Bernie Whitcomb	2010 Al Rogel
2002 Paul Askelson	2014 Bill Costa
2004 Bill Lindsey	2014 George Dunham
2004 Cass Mastalski	2105 Roger Riley

#### **BIRTHDAYS:**

Conrad, Horace (i)	Bradley, Gary
Hippenstiel, Wayne	Domyancic, Paul
Frank, Howard	DeLong, Jim
Bloomer, John	Singer, Rich
Morehead, Wayne	Kenney, Scott
LeFebure, Tam	

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

Sakauye, Jim and Dorothy  
Naquin, Dave and Nadeane  
Martin, Jerry and Margaret  
Rogerson, Robin and Lydia  
Findley, Dan and Vicki  
Holmes, Stan and Enid  
Siegfried, Jim and Kathy  
Zarzana, George and Christina  
Boss, John and Sharon

**Editor's note:**

We have a large Nugget this month, 10 pages filled with information about Branch 23 events, activities such as golf and bowling results, and other branch news.

Remember to sign up for the Christmas Ladies Day Luncheon at Red Hawk Casino. You can still sign up at the November 8 meeting. See the flyer on Page 6. Free transportation from the Elk's Lodge may still be available.

Congratulations again to our centenarian, "Whiz" Whisenhunt, and "welcome" to our new members who joined Branch 23 in October.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

