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PEACH BOWL BRANCH 45

A nonprofit public benefit organization for retired men devoted to the promotion of independence and dignity of retirement.

Meets the first Monday of every month at 11:45 in the Plaza Room, Julie Drive, Yuba City

Maintenance of membership requires regular attendance. Branch Executive Committee (BEC) meeting follows the monthly luncheon at 1:40 p.m.

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BIG SIR MESSAGE

Barry Greathouse, 530-415-9175

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Wow, can you believe how quickly 2025 has flown by? It feels like we just kicked off the year, and here we are, already at its close! As my term as your Big Sir wraps up, I really wanted to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to everyone who made this year so memorable and successful. A huge thank you goes out to all our dedicated officers, amazing board members, and every single person who quietly served behind the scenes. Your unwavering help, incredible support, and tireless efforts have been truly invaluable, and I simply couldn't have done it without you all.

This year, we had the joy of welcoming some fantastic new members into our SIR family, which is always wonderful to see our community grow. On a more solemn note, we also had to say goodbye to some cherished friends who have moved on to their eternal resting place. They will certainly be missed, and our thoughts are with their loved ones.

Looking back, it's clear we had a jam-packed year filled with so many enjoyable activities and events. I genuinely hope that each of you found some fun and engaging opportunities to participate in, create lasting memories, and strengthen our bonds.

Just a friendly reminder for everyone that our final meeting of the year is scheduled for December 8th. I'm really looking forward to seeing you all there for one last gathering this year!

Big SIR

Barry

LITTLE SIR MESSAGE Tim Petrin, 510-384-1956

TIMPETRIN@SBCGLOBAL.NET





Tim was born and raised in the Bay Area. In one form or another, Tim has always been around construction job sites. Tim learned the value of hard work from his dad, D.J., a WWII Navy Veteran who served on the USS Langley, CVL-27. After the war, Tim's dad became a general building contractor and Tim worked with him for years before starting a construction company in 1978 with his brother and three friends, later selling that company in 1994.

Over the years Tim had a few titles; project manager, sales representative, construction manager and, lastly, as a safety manger.

Tim retired from Power Engineering Construction Co. (PEC), based in Alameda, CA. PEC specialized in heavy-civil construction, marine construction and commercial diving.

Tim served as their Safety Manager, earning a CHST (Construction Health and Safety Technician) credential in 2013. Tim spent most of his time in the field on projects such as The Exploratorium and Crissy Field in S.F., The Chevron Long Wharf, and Moffett Field in Mountain View.

Besides the various classes/courses Tim completed to stay up on the latest OSHA regulations, Tim and his four backpacking buddies went through Wilderness First Aid Training. Some of what was learned along the way will be shared with our SIR group on December 8th.

Tim is a relative "newcomer" to Yuba City, having only lived here for just over two years. He and his wife Joan are the proud parents of two daughters and a son. Tim and Joan have four grandchildren; three here in Yuba City and one in Texas. Bike riding and babysitting take up a good portion of Tim's time these days.

Here is our Nomination of Branch #45 Officers for 2026

The listed below individuals have accepted their nominations for the respective Branch Officer's positions. They will be presented with full membership at the 4 August General Membership Meeting, as follows: by an election. The installation will be on our 1 December luncheon.

Big Sir - Tim Petrin; **Little Sir** - Tim McGee; **Secretary** - **Vacant**; **Asst. Secretary** - Richard Grant; **Treasurer** - Brad Johnson; **Asst. Treasurer** - Guy Rector

Board of Directors: Tom Bethards; Bill Crocker; Barry Greathouse; J.P. Hill; Ed Kennedy; and Bijan Parhizgar

P.S. If there is someone that has either the interest, ability, or experience to fill the position of Secretary, please let one of the present officers know. Thank you!

Dieter

2025 Christmas Dinner/Dance

Thursday 11 December

Hillcrest Plaza Room

5:30 p.m. Social Time - 6:00 p.m. Dinner

Chicken Palma & Braised Beef Burgundy

Tickets are \$40 per person

Tickets will still be available at our 8 Dec. Luncheon

Committee Chairs

Attendance: Bill Crocker Asst. Attendance: Mike Gyorfi

Badges: Bill Smith Bicycling: Bill Craig

Asst. Bicycling: Gilbert Corchado

Bocce Ball: Jack Schoen

Asst. Bocce Ball:

Bowling: Ray Buttacavoli Asst. Bowling: Jeff Brockman

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Asst. Card Guy: Bob Penix Cashier: Fred Preston Asst. Cashier: Darel Abbott

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Asst. Chaplain: Dieter Rex Fine Dining: Tom Bethards

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Asst. Fishing:

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Asst. Sunshine:

Website: Bill Crocker

Asst. Website:



SIR Multi-Branch Travel Newsletter Glenn Breslin



GOOD NEWS!!!

Australia/New Zealand – SIRs now signing up: Please see below discount. If you are interested, then please let me know glennbreslin@gmail.com. 13 SIRs just completed their 20-day trip to Vietnam.

**** Also, please look for a new Travel Questionnaire, due out by 12/10. Input from this questionnaire will be used to plan for future SIR Travel trips.

Australia/New Zealand Available for Booking	Cuba Wait List Only
1/7/26 to 1/25/26 (\$5495-No Airfare/\$7845-With Economy Airfare) • Both Melbourne Pre-Trip and Fiji Post-Trip available • Click this link for details o Click	3/12/26 to 3/18/26 (\$4611 with airfare already included) • Immersion into culture and history • Five-star lodging
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Glenn Breslin
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DINING OUT





Tom Bethards, 530 632-6751

2026 will be a new year of dining activities.

Tom Bethards, Peachtree Dining Out Activity Coordinator. chevyman61@comcast.net is my email or call me at 530 632-6751. Bon appetite.

WHEN WE LAST MET



Doug Parker HLM



New Members Being Inducted



YUBA CITY/MARYSVILLE BOWLING



Ray Buttacavoli, 530-329-2038

Jeff Brockman, 530-755-0746





Our bowlers and their guests recently bowled in two SIR sponsored tournaments. The first was in Carson City where **Jeff Brockman** took 1st place in the men's singles and his partner, Peggy McCarty placed 6th in the women's singles. **Harvey Robinson's** partner, Lorraine Williams, placed 1st in the women's singles. Then in the doubles' competition, Jeff and his partner placed 2nd while Harvey and his partner placed 4th. This tournament was followed by the State SIR tournament in Sacramento. Our own **Ken Sisney** placed 2nd in the Division 1 singles while **Larry Herrera**, Branch 109, placed 9th in Division 2 singles. Then **Ken Sisney** and **Tony Rainey** placed 2nd and **Stan Gryczko** and **Jack Dunn** placed 5th in Division 1 doubles. In Division 2 doubles, **Larry Herrera** and **Dan Moreno**, Branch 109, placed 4th. Both tournaments turned out to be quite profitable for our bowlers. The next big tournament will be in Reno in August, and in this report, we will be sending 12 bowlers to compete. The Reno tournament generally attracts around 300 SIR bowlers and guests.

We continue to bowl every Wednesday at 11:00 AM. All are still welcome to bowl with us. But if you have not bowled with us since we moved to Beale AFB, it will be necessary to contact me so that we can start the paperwork for a Guest Pass, that is unless you have a valid military ID. There is no charge for the Guest Pass. You can contact me at the phone number above or via email at rdb0416@comcast.net if you have any questions

SLOW TROLLERS



Pat Dilling, 530-218-0641

The Slow Trollers Fishing Club meets at the Yuba City Moose Lodge, 205 S. Walton on the first Monday of the month at 9 am. Everyone interested in fishing is welcome.

Recent trips to Lake Oroville have brought in some real giants! And some nice trout and two bass at a time! Come Join us! Call Pat Dilling for information. 530-21-0641.





PHOTOGRAPHY



Richard Grant, 530-713-1919



Walt Cotter, 530-671-1456

The SIR's Photo Club meetings are held monthly at the **Dancing Tomato**, located in front of Sam's Club in Yuba City. We meet there regularly at 9:00AM on the 2nd Tuesday each month. Our December meeting is on 9th. There are usually about 8 to 10 of us and we have breakfast and a great time-sharing photos and talking about photography. We occasionally take photography field trips. Hope you can join us. You will make some new friends for sure. We welcomed new member, Hugh Smith at our November meeting.

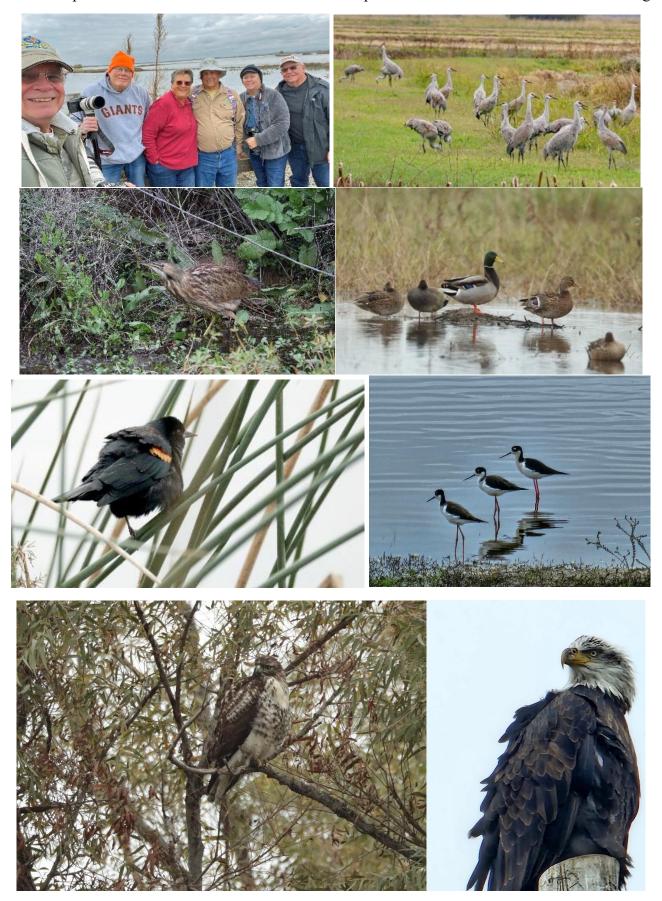
December, Photo of the Month

South Lake Tahoe in December

by club member, Toni Parhizgar



Additional photos from our members on a recent field trip to the Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge.



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POOL



Ruben Gomez, 530-743-0477



Bob Penix, 530-790-0723



Mondays at 2:00 PM. Play at Gold Rush Billiards next to Papa Murphy's Pizza on Gray Ave. Even if you never played pool, come on out and learn. You'll enjoy it.

CARDS

Bob Penix, 530-790-0723





Wednesdays 12:00-4:00. Played at different players' houses each week.

BICYCLING



Bill Craig, 530-763-5476



Gilbert Corchado, 530-434-6525

Whether it's a couple of us or a dozen, the group has so much fun together that we want to share our joy with you. We are noticed in the community and meet new people. Spouses and guests are always welcome. We currently ride as a SIR activity on Fridays from Regency Park in north Yuba City, Please call Bill Craig, 530-592-6592, or Gilbert Corchado, 530-845-2854, to get updates on ride times.

Try it, you'll like it!

Look at this post on Facebook SIR Bicycle Club on Facebook



GOLF REPORT



Dennis Dempsey, 530 487-3830



Pete Brennan, 530 674-7234



Gentleman,

Well, the season is over and we have one more event scheduled for December 22 combined with the Chico Branch in a scramble at Peachtree. Please make sure you sign up or give me or Tim McGee a call. Also please have your checks for your NCGA dues available at the. Breakfast on December 12 at the Moose Lodge. Dues for NCGA must be paid by January 10 or the price goes from 59.00 to 69.00 so be aware. Again, I would like to thank everyone for the support you have given me over the past 7 years as the Golf President. I am sure Tim McGee will do a great job as I have great confidence in him. Have a great XMAS and a Happy New Year.

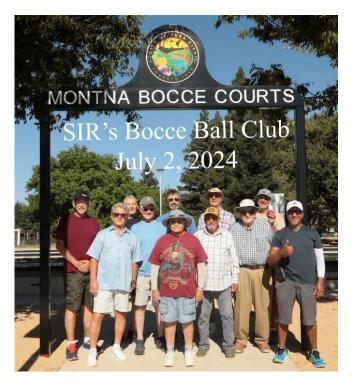
Dennis Dempsey, President

Golf. Branch 45/109

BOCCE BALL



Carey Saunders, 530-632-1859



Tuesdays 10:00. Played at Kingwood Park on Gray Ave. We are looking for more participation so that we can enter tournaments with other branches.

TREASURERS REPORT



Brad Johnson, 530-632-7943

The October ending balance is: \$8,938.89

The November ending balance was: \$9,824.76