



Port Stockton Sayings Bulletin

The monthly bulletin of Port Stockton Branch 46 of Sons In Retirement, a California non-profit corporation chartered July 23, 1974.



NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 17th THURSDAY 12:00 NOON

BIG SIR GREETING JANUARY 2019

Welcome to 2019! I am honored to have been elected Branch 46 Big Sir and thankful for our leadership team. Special thanks to outgoing Big Sir Dave Derksen. He has done an excellent job not only in running our monthly luncheons but also in doing all the legwork necessary for preparing and directing our June picnic plus the Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon. Special thanks to Sally Adler and Alice Lamberty for decorating the tables at the Christmas Luncheon. Ron Korock created and printed the luncheon tickets, and Jack Lamberty did the agenda handouts which were placed on each table. Photos of the Luncheon including the swearing in ceremony are contained in this edition.

I know you've all read and heard about this before, but our number one priority for 2019 is increasing our membership. In this regard, the SIR state office has established a system known as RAMP. This acronym stands for **R**ecruiting, **A**ctivities, **M**embership, and **P**ublicity. We are expected to have a chairman for each of these activities, but we had so many other problems in 2018 that, so far, we have only one chairman (Publicity). You will be hearing more about this program during the year. Our recruiting problem can be illustrated by the fact that we started 2018 with 87 active members, recruited only 4 during the year, lost 21 to attrition (death, resignation, going inactive) resulting in a net loss of 17 for a 2019 beginning of 70 active members'

And, believe it or not, our number two problem will be establishing a slate of officers for 2020. This may seem somewhat early in the year to do this, but we came within 30 days of being dissolved as a Branch in 2018 for lack of 2019 officers. We don't want to go through this again, so recruiting branch personnel and 2019 branch officers will be our two main priorities.

The good news is that our Little Sir, Glenn Nellman, has been very active lining up luncheon speakers for the coming year. For the January luncheon, he has obtained Peter Jaffe, who is not only the conductor of the Stockton symphony orchestra but also conductor for the Auburn and Folsom symphony orchestras. A summary of Mr. Jaffe's biography is presented in this edition. Glenn has requests out to several other possible speakers, and we may soon have speakers booked for up to 6 months in advance, which, I am told, would be a new accomplishment for the branch.

In conclusion, I would like to remind you that our major goal for 2019 should be recruiting new members. If you participate in any of the branch activities such as bowling, golf or bridge, these are excellent sources for new members. Invite one of your non-SIR friends in these groups to be a guest at one of our luncheons.

Mike Sather Big Sir 2019

NEW IN THIS EDITION

- Big Sir Greeting**
- January Birthdays, etc**
- 2019 Officers & Directors (Back Page)**
- January Speaker**
- New Travel Opportunity**
- Christmas Luncheon Happenings**
- Christmas Luncheon Photos (2 pg)**

Miss a Meeting?

When you know you will miss a luncheon meeting, please give our Attendance Chairman, Dick Andersen, a call (478-3753) or send him an e-mail: whalelady@comcast.net

Bring a Friend, Win a Prize

- When you bring a friend (prospective new member)
- to a Branch 46 lunch meeting, you will receive FREE
- five 50-50 tickets. Good luck! **ALSO**, if your friend
- happens to join, then you will receive a free lunch.



SIR BRIDGE

Bridge starts at 8:30 AM preceding the monthly meeting. Please contact Dave Palmer to reserve a seat at a bridge table. **Dave Palmer Bridge Chairman 242-2093** or E-mail Dave at dpalmeretal@aol.com

Sunshine & Memorials:

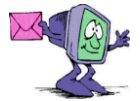
John Mendonca is our chairman for this committee. His phone number is 477-0743. Whenever you are aware of a member who has a serious illness or whose family has experienced some tragic circumstances, please give John a call. Please don't be hesitant to call John if you are aware of a member who is having problems. A call from the SIR would be greatly appreciated.



9 Hole Golf

The 9 hole golf group plays every Tuesday at Swenson Executive Course. Players should arrive by **8:30 a.m.** to get their tee times. In the winter months we play on an informal basis. Come and join us. Abraham Mackey
Any questions, call me at 471-7007 or abraham4880@gmail.com

SWITCHING TO E-MAIL



Sending out bulletins via Snail-mail (USPS) is time consuming and expensive. If you have a computer and are now receiving your bulletin thru the mail, please consider switching to E-mail. Simply contact Jack Lamberty and we'll take care of the rest. Thank you.

Remember – E-mail is in color!!

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WELCOME OUR NEW STARS

New members to Branch 46 are easy to recognize. They have a star on their badge. When you see a star on a SIR's nametag, make sure you introduce yourself and welcome them to Branch 46. **We suggest you also send a welcoming E-mail to the new member.**

SIR BOWLING

Come join us for bowling fun every Wednesday morning, 9:30 am, at Pacific Bowl. Experienced bowlers, beginners and anybody in between will have a great time. Women are welcome, too. Call Ron Korock at 951-4759 for more information. Or ronkorock@comcast.net





**IMPORTANT DATES FOR BRANCH 46
JANUARY 2019**

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

18-hole golf had a great season. Those interested in helping by running a tournament or two next year please let me know. We will be meeting in the next month or so to set up the schedule for next year. Our first tournament will be in February. The NCGA Dues are now due. The renewal amount is \$45. A check should be sent to: Bill Rutherford, 1067 1st Avenue, Walnut Grove, 95690. Any of you who have not been involved with 18 hole golf, but would like to be, call me (470-2521), and I will help you get involved. We all have a good time. You are not required nor expected to play in every tournament. You may pick and choose which ones to participate in.

Once again. NCGA Dues are now due!
John Stevens

- Jan. 1 New Year's day
(Also National Hangover Day)
- Jan. 4 National Spaghetti Day
- Jan 10 Houseplant Appreciation Day
- Jan 14 Branch Executive Meeting
- Jan 17 Branch Luncheon
- Jan 21 Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday
- Jan 24 Last Day for Bulletin Input

JANUARY SPEAKER

Our speaker for the January Luncheon will be Peter Jaffe, the conductor of the Stockton Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Jaffe has served as the music director and conductor since 1995 and has led Stockton Opera since 2001. He is also the music director and conductor of the Auburn Symphony and the Folsom Lake Symphony. Mr. Jaffe has spearheaded many commissions of world premieres – among them *Ansel Adams: America*, co-composed by Dave and Chris Brubeck. He has also been featured frequently in radio broadcasts, television, appearances, and web videos and is the host of the local radio/video program *Symphony Mix*.



LADIES DAY XMAS LUNCHEON DECEMBER 6, 2018

Swearing in 2019 Officers and Directors



Left to Right: John Doisy, Treasurer; Bob Stewart, Asst. Treasurer; Glenn Nellman, Little Sir; Mike Sather, Big Sir; Pete Lepisto, Director; Bill Halboth, Director; Ron Korock, Director & Membership

The December 6 Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon was a huge success. We had nine tables set up, and each was either full or only missing 1 or 2. Credits for the details and activities go to Big Sir Dave Derksen and Sally Adler for managing and running the entire affair including table decoration, all sign in activity, Big R ticket sales, and gift exchange. Alice Lamberty assisted with the table decoration and manned the gift exchange table. Husband Jack provided the agenda handouts. Our thanks go to the Elkhorn crew for exceptional food and service. Big Sir Dave Derksen was the MC for the luncheon which included conducting the swearing in ceremony for the 2019 Officers and Directors.

Entertainment was provided by the Lincoln High Choir led by Paul Kimball. At one point in the program, Branch 46 member, Abraham Mackey joined the choir with a guitar solo. Highlight in the choir's program was "12 Days of Christmas" with choir members acting out each of the twelve different gifts of the song.

Photos of the Luncheon are presented elsewhere in this edition, and a complete set of all photos taken is given on the Branch 46 website. Just go to <http://branch46.sirinc2.org>

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

LADIES DAY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – December 6, 2018

Photos by Jack Lamberty

Note: for a complete set of photos, check out our website. <http://branch46.sirinc2.org/>







BRANCH 46 WEBSITE

<http://branch46.sirinc2.org>

Website Remember, to access the website, use the CTRL, Click feature on the above link. Or, if that doesn't work, go to your internet provider and type in the above address for the link.

Travel – The complete travel listing provided monthly by Sir State is listed on the website. Just go the website and click on “Travel”. Travel opportunities extend from January 2019 to early 2020 including one new listing for March: Spring Training in Scottsdale, Arizona. This is marked “NEW” in red.

Photos: More photos of the Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon on the website.

Computer Link – This month's newsletter is shorter than most due to what the editor calls “slightly abbreviated” due to the holiday season. Several of the articles are concerned with Christmas shopping scams and how to avoid them. Unfortunately, this bulletin won't be out until after Christmas. Read them anyway - there's some good tips. I selected two other that you might find useful or interesting. The numbers are the numbers in the newsletter.

4. How To Delete Apps From Your iPhone and iPad. You may have downloaded a bunch of apps that you no longer use and are taking up space on your unit. The article tells you how to delete them and free up space. However, even though the storage space is back, the icon may still be there, and the writeup tells you how to permanently delete everything associated with the application.

6. Smart Headlights Inch Closer to American Roads

When you drive at night and want to see as far as possible you should keep your high beam headlights on all the time, but this is not practical because you will blind other drivers in front of you. But there's another solution. A.D.B., or adaptive driving beam headlights, ADB uses sensors and cameras to continuously shape a vehicle's high beam so that it illuminates only areas without oncoming traffic while throwing light elsewhere far down the road.

These systems have been in use in Europe for years but are illegal in the USA. Here we are allowed only a high and a low beam – nothing else. However, this may change since the NHTSA (National Highway Transportation Safety Administration) is studying the system with the strong possibility of allowing it in the USA. Audi, BMW, Mercedes and Toyota, among others, already offer this type of lighting and, if approved, only a software upgrade is required to activate the system. Lots more info on the website.

Wishing Everyone a Healthy and Prosperous 2019

SIRS BRANCH 46
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR - RON KOROCK

OUR JANUARY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS GO TO...

Frank MARTINEZ 1 st	Ethan IVES 2 nd	Dennis FULTZ 3 rd
John STEVENS 6 th	Maynard BOSTWICK 9 th	John DOISY 10 th
Frank CAMPBELL 12 th	Wally PARSONS 27 th	Ron EAYERS 26 th
John MOSKITO 20 th	John SHARPE 20 th	

OUR BEST WISHES TO THE FOLLOWING SIRS AND THEIR WIVES ON THEIR WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Lockey & Marty KJELSON	married	January 8, 2005
Sandee & Corky MAYER	married	January 29, 1983

SPECIAL WISHES TO THIS SIR AND HIS WIFE MARRIED 50 YEARS

Karel & Dave PALMER married January 25, 1969

AND TO THIS SIR AND HIS WIFE MARRIED 60 YEARS...

Mary & Reno BERBANO married January 11, 1959

Membership:

70 Active Members

16 Inactive

SIR Travel Opportunities (Rec'd 12/2)

March 11 – 15, 2019: Spring Training – Scottsdale, AZ. **NEW**

Travel by Air & Bus – Enjoy Baseball games, shows and local attractions. Also includes 4 Breakfasts, 4 Lunches, and 4 Dinners plus Lodging. Cost \$1648 per person DO – Single Supplement additional \$500. For additional information contact Bill Stiers #143

Bill Stires #143 209 544-2684 or wsmkp101130@sbcglobal.net

May 9 - 21, 2020. “THE PASSION PLAY IN OBERAMMERGAU”, A once in a lifetime experience!

This portrayal of the passion of Christ is only played out every ten years and has been continued by the cast of residents of Oberammergau since 1634. Tour highlights include MUNICH, PRAGUE, BRATISLAVA, BUDAPEST, VIENNA, DANUBE CRUISE, SALZBURG and the OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY. Yes, this tour is being announced early because the seating is limited and tickets sell out rapidly. Sponsored by Amador County Branch #96. For further details, please contact Lee Suess 209-296-2235 baldeagle@volcano.net or Tom Rushing 209-772-3485 bevrushing@aol.com

Aug 29-Sept 9, 2020 Top of Switzerland with Oberammergau: 11 day tour form Zurich to Munich. Includes pre-tour night in Zurich and post tour night in Munich. Places to visit Zurich, Affoltern, Interlanken, Brienz, Ballenberg, Lucerne, Innsbruck OBERAMMERGAU (PASSION PLAY) and Munich. Breakfast daily, some lunches and dinners provided. Price per person DO \$4575, Airfare not included, but estimated to be \$1200 per person available in October 2019. For additional information contact Bill Stires 209 544-2684 wsmkp101130@sbcglobal.net or Alamo World Travel 848 874-7800

Sept 14-26, 2020 Imperial Splendors and Oberammergau:, Tour includes Home pickup, round trip airfare, professional tour manager, 19 meals, 11 nights first-class hotel and transportation via private deluxe coach, admission to all activities indicated. Tour highlights: Munich welcome dinner, visit the famous Hofbrauhaus, Prague Guided sightseeing Hradcany Castle , Bratislava the capital of Slovakia, Budapest guided sightseeing, Danube cruise, Salzburg guided walking tour and special dinner at St. Peter Stiftskeller restaurant, Oberammergau Passion Play. Cost \$6,267 includes estimated airfare. Larry Yarberry 925 890-9245 l.yarberry42@comcast.net

Send your brief trip information to Tom Molinari at stmolinari@sbcglobal.net by the 25th of the month. Only trips of at least 4 days or more in length will be listed.

**Tom Molinari State Travel Chairman stmolinari@sbcglobal.net
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NOTICE: Articles to be included in the Branch 46 monthly "Bulletin" should be submitted NO LATER THAN the monthly luncheon meeting. Submit them to Jack Lamberty at JackL68734@aol.com or 209-451-1165.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING JANUARY 14, 2019

MEETING DATES FOR 2019

January 17, February 21,
March 21, April 18, May 16,
June 20 (Picnic), July 18,
August 15, September 19,
October 17, November 21,

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652-8608

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601-1642

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369-8620

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242-2093

2019 thru 2021

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451-1165

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636-4650

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478-3753

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242-2093

open

BIOGRAPHER

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931-9001

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957-0424

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Abraham Mackey

471-7007

GOLF (18 hole)

John Stevens

470-2521

GREETERS

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Ron Korock

951-4759

MEMORIALS & SUNSHINE

John Mendonca

477-0743

MUSIC

Maynard Bostwick

474-7007

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