



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 16th - THURSDAY NOON

BIG SIR GREETING

January 2020

A Happy New Year to all my fellow Sirs and a big thank you to all who helped make the Christmas Luncheon a success. Mike Sather did ALL the organizational work with Elkhorn and set up the tables. His wife Susan helped with the gift table. Pete Lepisto took care of selling the tickets and running the Big "R". Dave Derksen and Sally Adler helped with the sign ins. Ron Korock took care of printing, selling, collecting tickets, and printing the name tags. Jack Lamberty did all the work on the programs that were passed out on the tables.

Last year was a challenge for us to increase membership, improve our finances, and keep our offices filled so we could continue as a Branch. We increased our membership to 79 with most new members coming from transfers. Our finances improved from not having to spend so much on the BBQ and the Christmas Luncheon. We continue as a Branch this year only because our Big Sir for 2019, Mike Sather, agreed to step down to take the Little Sir position or we would have again been faced with having to dissolve because our state-mandated positions were not filled. A big shout out to Mike for stepping up as he did all last year.

After this year we will need both a Big Sir and Little Sir or come December we will be faced with disaster again. Some Sirs have held their Board positions for several years and would like to step down for a while. Some are doing two and even three jobs. Mike and I had no experience when we agreed to fill our positions in 2019, but we knew we could count

on the experienced guys on the Board to help us, so lack of experience is no excuse to not step up and keep our Branch in existence. It is time for some of you who haven't volunteered to step up and fill some of these positions for the benefit of all.

At the January meeting I will be passing out surveys to seek feedback from you about meetings and speakers in the past. I will be asking for ideas on new speakers and new ways to enhance the SIR's experience for all of us. Please fill them out.

Glenn Nellman

Big Sir 2020



• HAPPY NEW YEAR •

NEW IN THIS EDITION

- ***January Birthdays and Anniversaries***
- ***In Memoriam (2 Sirs)***
- ***Roster Correction***
- ***Ladies Day Christmas Photos***
- ***January Calendar***
- ***January Speaker(s)***
- ***Knight in Shining Armor Awards***
- ***(check page 2)***
- ***Travel Opportunities (5 New)***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miss a Meeting?

When you know you will miss a luncheon meeting please give our Attendance Chairman, Dick Andersen, a call (478-3753) whalelady@comcast.net

Bring a Friend – Win a Prize!

When you bring a friend (prospective new member) to a Branch 46 luncheon meeting, and he eventually joins, you will also receive FREE ten 50–50 tickets.

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 and 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, give John a call. Please don't be hesitant to call 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. Any questions, call Abraham Mackey at 471-7007 or Email at abraham4880@gmail.com

Switching to E-mail

Sending out your bulletin via Snail-mail (USPS) is time-consuming and expensive. If you have a computer, but are now receiving your bulletin thru USPS, please consider switching to E-mail. Simply contact Jack Lamberty, and we'll take care of the rest. 451-1165. JackL68734@aol.com

Remember – E-mail is in color!!

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.

Previous and Coming Speakers

Jan 13 Jan 16 Roger Speed
San Joaquin County Mental Health Services

Knight in Shining Armor Awards



The Knight in Shining Armor Award is given to Branch members who have come to the rescue of the Branch by volunteering for one of our important positions that has not been filled for the upcoming year.

At this time we have four individuals who have volunteered for four important branch positions to be served during the year 2020.

Mike Sather - Little Sir 2020

Abraham Mackey – Director 2020 to 2022

Dave Stull – Director 2020 to 2022

Dave Derksen – Membership 2020.

Congratulations Gentlemen!





18 hole golf had a great season. Our 2020 tournament Schedule will be finalized soon. We will be having some new and interesting places to play. 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 (470-5251), 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.

John Stevens



In Memoriam

Sadly, we must report the passing of two long time Branch 46 Members, Hal Witsaman in Gold River and Art Kinney in Stockton. Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences go out to the family and friends of these two gentlemen at this sad time in their lives.

Hal was a long time member of Branch 46 and was a Big Sir for the Branch in 1999. He remained active in the Branch until 2013 when he moved to Gold River.

Art was a veteran of WWII. In 1945 he was wounded in Germany and received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. In 2015 he was awarded the Legion of Honor Medal from the French Government. Art joined Branch 46 in 1999 and had previously served as auditor for the Branch.

ROSTER CORRECTION

In last month's Bulletin, Dave Scotten's address and phone # were incorrectly listed. The correct information for Dave is listed below:

Scotten, Dave (#11) (11-18)
 1319 N. Madison #710 BD Jan 21
 Stockton 95202 Ph 227-5102
 Credit Rep, PGE // Bowling

IMPORTANT DATES FOR

BRANCH 46 January 2020

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	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	

Branch 46 Dates are in Red

- Jan 1 **New Year's Day**
Also National Hangover Day
- Jan 4 **National Spaghetti Day**
- Jan 9 **National Static Electricity Day**
- Jan 13 **Branch Executive Board**

Meeting

- Jan 16 **Branch Luncheon**
- Jan 23 **Last Day for Bulletin Input**
- Jan 26 **Spouse Day**
Take the Little Woman Out!

January Speakers

The speaker for the January Luncheon will be Mr. Roger Speed, former head of the San Joaquin Mental Health Services. He will speak on suicide prevention and counseling. Mr. Speed has an M.S. in Social Work from Sacramento State and was the Director of the County Mental Health Services for 10 years. After his military service, Mr. Speed came to Stockton in 1969 and has been a resident since that time.

Sue Rothman, a Clinical Social Worker with the Mental Health Service, will be a co-presenter with Mr. Speed. Interestingly, Sue Rothman was a Teacher at the Cleveland Elementary School in Stockton at the time of the tragic shooting in January, 1989.

Wishing Everyone a Healthy and Prosperous 2020

OUR JANUARY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS GO TO...

Frank MARTINEZ 1 st	Ethan IVES 2 nd	Dennis FULTZ 3 rd
John STEVENS 6 th	David STULL 6 th	Maynard BOSTWICK 9 th
John DOISY 10 th	Frank CAMPBELL 12 th	John MOSKITO 20 th
John SHARPE 20 th	Dave SCOTTEN 21 st	Ron EAYERS 26 th
	Wally PARSONS 27 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 51 YEARS

Karel & Dave PALMER	married	January 25, 1969
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AND TO THIS SIR AND HIS WIFE MARRIED 61 YEARS...

Mary & Reno BERBANO	married	January 11, 1959
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Membership: 79 Active Members, 8 Exempt Members

Christmas Luncheon Happenings

The December 5 Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon at the Elkhorn Golf and Country Club was a great success with 52 attending. We had 10 tables of 6 set up, and with the exception of one or two tables, all were full. Outgoing Big Sir Mike Sather was the Master of Ceremonies and the entertainment was provided by the Lincoln High School Choir with Paul Kimball directing. Also, Officers and Directors for the 2020 were sworn in as shown in the photograph below. Additional photographs from the Luncheon are provided below and also on the following page.



Dave Derksen Swears In 2020 Branch 46 Officers and Directors
Left to Right - Mike Sather (Podium -Little Sir), Bob Stewart (Asst. Treasurer)
John Doisy (Treasurer), Glenn Nellman (Big Sir), Pete Lepisto (Director)



MORE CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON PHOTOS





TRAVEL



<http://branch46.srm2.org/>

Editor's note: As you may have noticed, there have been no Travel listings since September. However, this month the State Travel Chairman sent 19 Travel listings ranging between between December 2019 and September 2020. 5 of these are new and are listed below. Go to our website to view all 19 listings.

April 17-27, 2020 Holland River Cruise: **New** R/T SFO to Amsterdam. 2 nights in Amsterdam pre-cruise. Its Tulip time in Holland. Visiting Delta Scenic Cruising, Ghent Antwerp & Rotterdam. Price includes, Home pickup, airfare, all meals on the ship are covered plus Comp wine, beer, spirits and soft drinks for lunch and dinner. Price range from \$5095 to \$6490 DO. For additional information contact Roy Newman #45 530 755-3713 roy.newman@comcast.net or Talbot tours 800 662-9933 info@talbottours.com

June 6-19, 2020 Grand Baltic Cruise: **New** Ports of call, Denmark, Copenhagen, Bornholm, Poland, Gdansk, Sweden Visby, Stockholm, Latvia Riga, Estonia Tallinn, Russia, St Petersburg, Finland Helsinki. Trip extensions available to Copenhagen and/or Stockholm from \$1295 each. We have 9 Sirs signed up already, but there is still room for more, if you act soon. 14 days from \$8255, includes R/T air fare from Sacramento. 14 days from \$6695 w/o air fare. Single supplement \$1395. Please mention code GO-23630 when booking reservations & information call 800 955-1925 or www.oattavel.com/erb2020 or contact Sir 146 Travel Chairman Milt Smith miltsmith549@gmail.com or 925 285-2897 cell

June 20-July 5, 2020 Alaska Cruise – Queen Elizabeth: **New** Ports of Call Ketchikan, Juneau, Tracy Arm, Skagway, Icy Point Strait, Hubbard Glacier, Sitka and Victoria BC. Price range from \$3495 to \$5735 DO, Includes Home pickup, R/T Air Fare to Vancouver, BC, Porter Gratuities and NEW Airline Baggage FEE included. For additional information contact Roy Newman #45 530 755-3713 roy.newman@comcast.net or Talbot tours 800 662-9933. 3 info@talbottours.com

July 11-20, 2020 Canadian Rockies by Train: **New** 10 day tour, R/T Air SFO and deluxe Motor coach, featuring the Calgary Stampede, Banff, Lake Louise, Athabasca Glacier, Jasper, Columbia Ice Fields and Vancouver, BC. Includes 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 5 dinners. Price \$6889 per person DO. For additional information contact Bill Rodman #38 408 274-4521 brodman@sbcglobal.net or Alan Patmore 408 867-4197 alan-patmore@earthlink.net

August 18-31/2020 Princess Cruise British Isles: **New** 12 day Cruise, aboard the Regal Princess, including Air R/T from SFO. Ports of call Le Havre (Normandy), Guersey, Cork, Ireland, overnight in Dublin, Ireland, Belfast, Glasgow, Invergordon, and Edinburgh, Scotland. Optional two night post-cruise Paris stay. Price Air \$825 PP, subject to change until ticketed. Cruise price range from interior \$3992 to Mini Suite \$5657 PP DO For additional information, contact Chuck Wolf #58 707 477-3505 or chuch@charlesjwolf.com.

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 or 707 762-1880, 1243 Santa Ines Way- Petaluma, CA 94954.

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.

SONS IN RETIREMENT BRANCH #46

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9292 Alhambra Avenue
Stockton, CA 95212

Executive Board Meeting: January 13, 2020

Meeting dates for 2020:
January 16th, February 20th,
March 19th, April 16th,
May 21st, June 18th Picnic,
July 16th, August 20th,
September 17th,
October 15th, November 19th

PRESIDENT

Ed Benson

REGION 2 DIRECTOR

Rick Kindle

652-8608

AREA 18 GOVERNOR

Pat Reed

2020 OFFICERS

BIG SIR

Glenn Nellman

369-8620

LITTLE SIR

Mike Sather

601-1642

SECRETARY

John Bayley

298-0327

ASST. SECRETARY

John Stevens

470-2521

TREASURER

John Doisy

478-4728

ASST. TREASURER

Bob Stewart

946-0897

DIRECTORS

2018 thru 2020

Pete Lepisto

948-2265

Dave Palmer

242-2093

2019 thru 2021

Jack Lamberty

451-1165

Dave Derksen

636-4650

2020 thru 2022

Abraham Mackey

471-7007

David Stull

479-4944

2020 COMMITTEES & ACTIVITIES

ATTENDANCE

Dick Andersen

478-3753

AUDITORS

Dave Palmer

242-2093

open

BIOGRAPHER

BOWLING

Ron Korock

951-4759

BRIDGE (SIR)

Dave Palmer

242-2093

BRIDGE (mixed)

Dick Andersen

478-3753

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451-1165

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239-4212

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951-2320

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541-740-8787

Bob Stewart

946-0897

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John Mendonca

477-0743

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Glenn Nellman

369-8620

Mike Sather

601-1642

FLAGBEARER

John Westhafer

957-0424

GOLF (Par 3 course)

Abraham Mackey

471-7007

GOLF (18 hole)

John Stevens

470-5251

GREETERS

MEMBERSHIP

Dave Derksen

636-4650

MEMORIALS & SUNSHINE

John Mendonca

477-0743

MUSIC

Maynard Bostwick

474-7007

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mike Sather

601-1642

PHOTOGRAPHY

open

PICNIC (June)

Glenn Nellman

369-8620

Mike Sather

601-1642

PROGRAM

Mike Sather

601-1642

ROSTER

Dave Derksen

636-4650

TRAVEL

Dave Derksen

636-4650

WEBMASTER

Jack Lamberty

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