



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: APRIL 19th THURSDAY NOON

BIG SIR GREETING APRIL 2018

We have some interesting Speakers coming up for April and May, and don't forget our Great Picnic on June 21st. THIS you do not want to miss. The weather is always nice and warm. We have a lovely spot and setting at Micke Grove. A good Bar-B-Que of Tri-Tips and all the fixings with it. We have a Chipping Contest, Bingo, 50/50 Drawing. And socialize with your friends or mine. We always have such a great time. No Luncheon in June so the price is the same. Bring your better half or anyone you are not afraid to be seen with. You have time to buy your tickets from John Doisy, but don't delay. You are all welcome to come to the Exec. Board Meetings on the second Monday of each month. Meetings are held at the Holy Cross Church at 1200 W.Hammer. Come and see what we do wrong. And you could even help correct it. We still need a Secretary and the pay is very good. AND the experience is worth the pay. The snow pack is good and getting better. If it doesn't all melt all at once, we might just get by and hope for more rain next year. Like I said at the meeting, if you have some oil to put into this good running machine to make it run better, we, the board and the members, will appreciate your input. I was very pleased to see many of you take the brochures and the cards to invite a person to come and join us once a month for lunch with an interesting speaker. You have to follow up with them and make sure they come. They will appreciate it and thank you. If anyone needs a ride, just let me or someone know and we can make sure they get a ride. For you Bridge Players, don't forget our early game at 8:30/9:00 on our meeting days. Just phone or send an E mail to Dave Palmer to reserve your seat.



Dave E. Derksen Sr. **Big Sir 2018**

IMPORTANT DATES FOR BRANCH 46 APRIL 2018

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					

- XX** indicates Branch function
- April 1 Easter Sunday + April Fool's Day
 - April 5 National Dandelion Day
 - April 7 National Beer Day
 - April 9 **Branch Executive Meeting (BEC)**
 - April 13 Friday the 13th
 - April 15 Income Taxes Due
 - April 19 **Branch Luncheon**
 - April 23 **Bulletin Input Due**
 - April 27 Arbor Day

NEW IN THIS EDITION

- ❖ --Birthdays/Anniversaries for April
- ❖ --New Articles on Website
- ❖ --March Luncheon Happenings
- ❖ --April Speaker
- ❖ --Picnic Info
- ❖ --Roster Change
- ❖ --Missing Officers and Chairmen

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



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!!**

Jack Lamberty 451-1165 JackL68734@aol.com

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.**



<u>Date</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Format</u>	<u>Cost/timing</u>	<u>Start/Type</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Other Comments</u>
April 18	Elkhorn	2 man BB	\$41, adv	8:30 S/G	Rutherford	
April 23 -24 - 2 Days in Napa	- SIRS STATE TOURNAMENT Chardonnay GC & Eagles Vines CC Rutherford Separate courses for men & women					
May 2	Swenson	4 man Scram	\$37 adv	9:00 S/G	Stevens	
May 16	Dry Creek	4 man 2 BB	\$39, adv	8:30 S/G	Rutherford	
May 30	Micke Grove	ABCD Qualifier	\$33 adv	8:30 S/G	Rutherford / Rancho Solano,	Aug 13
June 27	Swenson	4 man blind draw	\$50 adv	9:00 S/G	Rutherford	Lunch included
July 11	Swenson	State Qual-Indiv	\$40 adv	9:00 S/G	Rutherford	
July 23	Discovery	2 man Scram	\$55 adv	9:00 S/G	Rutherford	MONDAY Working
Aug 15	Elkhorn	2 pers mix Scram	\$56 adv	8:30	Rutherford	Lunch
Aug 29	Manteca GC	4 man Modified	\$37+5 adv	9:00 S/G	Cossey	
Sept 19	Castle Oaks	2 man BB	\$50 adv	9:00 S/G	Rutherford	Range balls
Sept 27	Tracy CC	4 man Scram 1,2,3	\$46	9:00 S/G	Cossey	Thurs, Range Balls
Oct 17	The Reserve	2 man Scram	\$47 adv	9:30 S/G	Rutherford	
Oct 31	Swenson	2 man Alt, Mod	\$37 adv	9:00	Swenson	
Nov 14	Micke Grove	Indiv Medal Finale	\$35 adv	8:30 S/G	Rutherford	WKG

Hosts: Tournament Bill Rutherford 916-776-9222; John Stevens 470-5251; Bob Cossey 478-1440; Nick Smith 466-2219

Roster Changes/Corrections

Please make the following changes/corrections to your roster

Address Change

MAYER, "Corky" (#32) (Santee) (01-17)
 201 Isabella Dr BD Sept 22
 Lodi 95240 Ph 474-1322
corkymayer@yahoo.com
 Police Sergeant, Stockton PD Golf

Correction

(Last month we moved

Chuck to Lodi – Never happened)

ARGUS, "Chuck" (#21) (Molly) (01-17)
 3191 Autumn Chase Circle BD Aug 15
 Stockton, 95219 477-5214
chuck.argus@sbcglobal.net
 Banker/Owner Pak Mail//woodworking, Golf

SPEAKER FOR APRIL

Our speaker for the April Luncheon will be Peter Grossgart, the Marketing Manager for the Port of Stockton. Mr. Grossgart's duties include planning, developing, and implementing the port's maritime trade and real estate business development efforts. He is also involved in customer service, relationship management, and marketing the port's services. Mr. Grossgart has more than 18 years of maritime industry experience and has worked for Swire Shipping as line manager for the West Coast North America service; country manager North America and at Marine Terminals Corp; and Ports America where he last served as VP-Sales for the USWC (Bulk, Breakbulk, and Military Division) He is a graduate of U.C. Davis with a BS in Managerial Economics and he has an MBA in finance from Golden Gate University. Mr. Grossgart also enjoys coaching several youth teams (basketball, baseball, soccer, and football) as well as volunteering for Habitat for Humanity and Ronald McDonald House.

March Luncheon Happenings

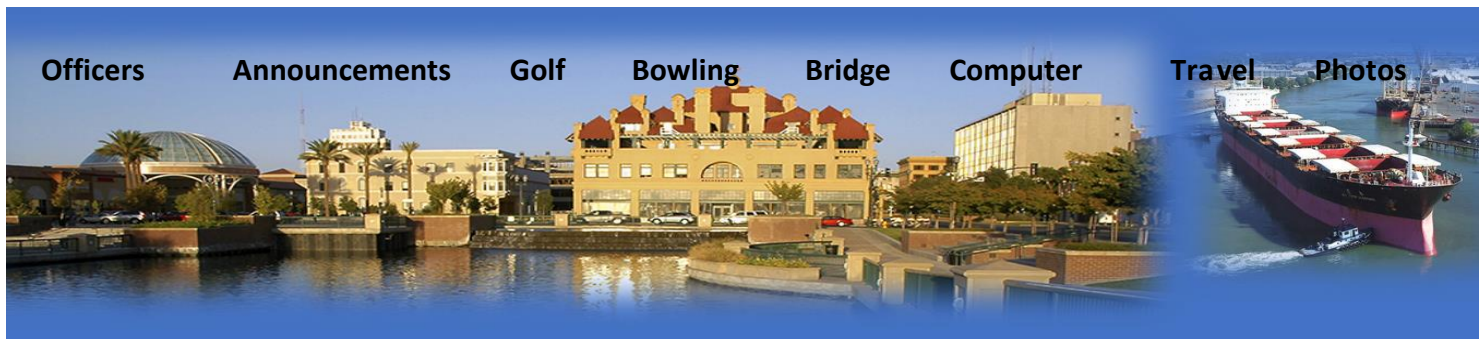
The speaker for the March luncheon was Dennis Beasley, the Artistic Director for the Stockton Community Theater. Mr. Beasley grew up in Gilroy and did his undergraduate work at UCLA and received his graduate degree from U.C. Irvine. He has been a freelance director and actor throughout California and then served as artistic Director the Rochester Community Theater in New York. Coming back West, he was the marketing director at Western State in Salinas before coming to Stockton as artistic Director of the Community Theater.



Dennis Beasley
Artistic Director SCT

Mr. Beasley spoke of productions coming in both 2018 and 2019. Some of the notable ones are "Hair", "Annie", "Ripcord", and "Nice Work If You Can Get It". Annual costs for the Community Theater is around \$600,000, and most of this is financed through donations and sponsors.

One of the largest costs is royalties on music and songs. As an example, royalties for Mary Popkins was around \$7500. Tickets run \$15 for children and \$22 for Seniors. Most of the shows are put on by outside production companies; however, the talent and performers are usually local and include performers from Delta, UOP and some of the high schools in Stockton. Mr. Beasley welcomes anyone interested in theater to come and audition at any time.



BRANCH 46 WEBSITE <http://branch46.sirinc2.org>

Website Remember, to access the website, use the CNTRL, Click feature on the above link.

Luncheons. There is a complete set of Christmas luncheon photos on the website. Just click on the “Photos” link.

Also, there is another set of photos from the January 25 Couples Bridge Luncheon. Click on “Bridge”.

Computer- The Computer link on the main website page features the April edition of Bill Bromiley’s Computer Newsletter. There are sixteen write-ups this month which vary from the latest autonomous car reports to new features for your Apple watch. Interesting write-ups that we can relate to are described briefly below. Numbers are the paragraph numbers in the newsletter.

1. Protecting your laptop. If your laptop or desktop is stolen your data is not protected even if you have a strong logon password. The thief can, for example, remove your hard drive, mount it in another computer and he will have access to all of the data on your hard drive. The only thing you can do is encryption of all your data before your computer is stolen. It is simple to encrypt your data and it is automatic on most modern computers. The article walks you through the encryption process step by step.

6. Do You Have a Landline Home Telephone? Bad news! According to a US government study, 46% of American homes still have a landline telephone. Because the number of landlines is decreasing rapidly, companies are charging higher rates to sustain revenues. Good news! If the costs become prohibitive, you can switch over to Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) and use the internet system for your previous landline calls. You can still use the same phone number and the costs should be significantly less. The article at the link will help provide VOIP information and in some cases a VOIP vendor site where you can take further steps.

8. Cellular Connections Between Future Cars. Such communication is crucial because sensors being developed for autonomous cars can only detect the road environment within their lines of sight, but vehicle to vehicle (V2X) communications are expected to provide information on what lies beyond line of site and around the corner, whether there are icy spots, potholes, traffic jams, or even information on other vehicles that might do something dangerous, like running a red light. This critical information can be transmitted as often as 10 times per second.

Finally, if you would like to have something posted on the web concerning Branch 46, please contact: Jack Lamberty. 451-1165 or Email at JackL68734@aol.com.

APRIL 2018 BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

SIRS BRANCH 46
MEMBERSHIP CHAIR – RON KOROCK

OUR BIRTHDAY GREETINGS FOR APRIL...

Kepl KEPLINGER

Dale DUNMIRE

Greg McCREARY

Robert CARR

**OUR BEST WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS & WIVES
CELEBRATING THEIR APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

Maryanne & Jim BUTTERFIELD anniversary date April 14, 1984

Gae & Bob STEWART anniversary date April 10, 1976

**SPECIAL WISHES TO THOSE MARRIED
50 OR MORE YEARS**

Darlene & Lee TALBOTT anniversary date April 09, 1966

Anita & Michael MARTIN anniversary date April 07, 1962

**VERY SPECIAL WISHES AND CONGRATULATIONS
TO THOSE MARRIED MORE THAN 60 YEARS**

Marjory & Howard STOKES 67 YEARS April 29, 1951

AND FINALLY, CAN YOU BELIEVE 72 YEARS

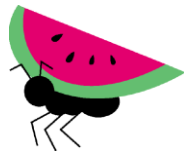
June & William SMITH 72 YEARS April 16, 1946

Current Active Membership is 84, Inactive is 21

March Meeting Attendance:

44 members & 1 guest

52% of our members attended



June Picnic!

SIGN UP NOW FOR THE BRANCH 46 JUNE PICNIC!

**June 21 at Micke Grove 12:00 Noon
Don't Miss These Events**



Golf Chipping



Bingo



50/50 Raffle

**\$17 per Person Catered by
Lodi Mexican American Lions Club
Sign up at the April & May Luncheons**



MISSING!

Shown below is a copy of the back page of the branch bulletin. Check out the blanks. Due to either resignation or inactive status

SIX of our Officers and Chairmen have disappeared!

We need volunteers to fill these slots. Currently, existing officers and chairmen have been taking on these duties, but this is not acceptable. It results in extra work and conflicts with their present duties.

We are asking you to volunteer for any of these positions.

By doing so, you will be taking a load from the temporary volunteer and contributing to a better running Branch. A brief description of the major duties for each position is provided at the bottom of this page.

2018 OFFICERS

BIG SIR

Dave Derksen

LITTLE SIR

Paul Wagner

SECRETARY

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ASST. SECRETARY

John Stevens

TREASURER

John Doisy

ASST. TREASURER

Duke Wilkinson

DIRECTORS

2016 thru 2018

Jack Lamberty

John Mendonca

2017 thru 2019

Ron Korock

Bill Halboth

2018 thru 2020

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COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ATTENDANCE

Dick Andersen

AUDITORS

Dave Palmer

BIOGRAPHER

Paul Wagner

BOWLING

Ron Korock

BRIDGE (SIR)

Dave Palmer

BRIDGE (mixed)

Dick Andersen

BULLETIN EDITOR

Jack Lamberty

BUCKET BRIGADE

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John Pozar

Cliff Wilbum

Matt Gaffney

CHAPLAIN

John Mendonca

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Dave Derksen

Paul Wagner

FLAGBEARER

John Westhafer

GOLF (Par 3 course)

Abraham Mackey

GOLF (18 hole)

John Stevens

GREETERS

[Blank box]

MEMBERSHIP

Ron Korock

MEMORIALS & SUNSHINE

John Mendonca

MUSIC

Maynard Bostwick

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

John Doisy

PHOTOGRAPHY

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PICNIC (June)

Dave Derksen

Paul Wagner

PROGRAM

Paul Wagner

ROSTER

Ron Korock

TRAVEL

Dave Derksen

WEBMASTER

Jack Lamberty

Secretary: Write and send out minutes of BEC meetings. **Director:** Attend BEC meetings. Directors can vote. Assist Big Sir on new and old projects. (e.g. Picnic, Christmas Party)
Bucket Brigade: Collect donations at luncheon. **Greeters:** Welcome guests and speakers.
Photography: Take photos at luncheons, picnics, and Christmas Day, etc..

SIR Travel Opportunities 2018 -

Note: If you decide to book one of these trips or cruises, please go through the branch Travel Chairman shown in the listing. He has spent a great deal of time and effort setting up these opportunities for SIR members, and you will be able to socialize with a group of your fellow Sirs.

April 18-27, 2018: Spring Tulip River Cruise. 10-day Cruise featuring Dutch and Belgium Waterways. Highlights include Amsterdam, Volendam, Hoorn. Arnhem. Middelburg, Ghent, Bruges, Antwerp, Kinderdijk windmills. Utrecht and Keukenhof Gardens. Cost \$4376 to \$7176 and includes RT Air, Insurance, Air Taxes, Hotels and transfers. Bill Britton, Br121, 925-443-9913.

May 12-18, 2018: Southern Charm Discovery. Trip features Jekyll Island, Savannah & Charleston, Jacksonville, St Simons Island, Andrew Low House, and choice of Boone Hall Plantation or Patriots Pt. Naval Museum. Cost is \$2836.00 covers air taxes & fees, hotel & transfers, gratuities and R/T air, Bill Rodman, Br 38, 408-274-4521 or Alan Patmore, 408-867-4197.

May 25-Jun 9, 2018: Historic Cities of Eastern Canada & New England. 16- day trip begins in Toronto then Lake Ontario, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Quebec City and Montreal. Then travelers will board Holland America cruise ship and cruise down the St Lawrence river to Charlottetown, Sydney and Halifax and onto Bar Harbor ending in Boston. Cost is \$3695 to \$5185 (without Airfare). Jim Hohenshelt, Br 62, 408-394-7226 or Roy Jordan, 408-735-8765.

Sep 8, 2018: Colorado Train Trip. 7- day trip with stops at the US Airforce academy, Pikes Peak, Garden of the Gods, Colorado National Monument and Colorado Museum. Cost \$3035 and includes 15 meals, R/T Air, home pickup and back, professional tour manager, Larry Yarberry, Br 8, 925-890-9245.

Sep 13-23, 2018: Alaska Inside Passage. 11-day cruise starting in SF with ports of call at Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan and Victoria B.C. Trip includes R/T transfer, Gratuities, Shipboard credit, and Photo. Cost \$1899.00 to \$3249 depending on cabin. Tom Molinari, Br 147, 707-762-1880.

Sep 23-Oct 2, 2018: American Queen St Louis to Memphis. The cruise begins with overnight stay in St Louis and ends with another overnight in Memphis, including tours in each city. The trip includes all transfers, R/T Air, port changes hotel cost, shore excursions, all meals on board ship, complimentary beer and wine. Ports of call include Alton, Chester, Cape Girardeau, Paducah, Dover, New Madrid, Ashport Landing, and Memphis Cost is \$3300 to \$5960 depending on cabin. Mike Console, 408-246-1080 Br 32. San Jose.

Oct 21-31-2018: Crystal Mozart River Cruise. Enjoy Europe's majesty and history of the scenic Wachau Valley, An Austrian wonderland. Stops include Durnstein, Melk, Bratislava, Budapest and Vienna. Prices start at \$6485 for deluxe stateroom with large picture window. Crystal's complimentary services includes butler, gratuities, unlimited refreshments, free internet, port charges, and transfers. Larry Martinson, Br 114, 408-528-0746 or Jim Stoner, 408-238-8458.

Feb 15-Mar 2, 2019: Cruise from San Francisco to Ft Lauderdale. 15 day cruise aboard the Coral Princess with port stops at Cabo San Lucas, San Juan Del Sur, Puntarenas, Fuerte Amador, cruising through the Panama Canal, Cartagena, and Ft Lauderdale. Cost ranges from \$3390 to \$4190 depending on stateroom and includes, home pickup, shipboard meals and entertainment, R/T airfare, luggage handling, transfers, all drivers and porters, gratuities, all applicable taxes and travel gift .Arkady Belogolovsky, Br. 54, 408-253-3956, or Joe Salamida, 408-767-2838.

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