



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.



JULY 16th LUNCHEON MEETING CANCELED DUE TO PANDEMIC

BIG SIR GREETING JULY 2020

As we sit in our homes during the hottest time of the year we have much to be thankful for. July 4th many will be able to BBQ or visit with family and friends and celebrate the birth of our nation. As SIRS, we can be thankful our number one activity, golf, has been approved for startup again with some revised rules and a full tournament schedule. We can also look forward to the startups in other activities as we receive guidance and clearance from the State Board and various governing bodies. I have emailed State SIRS Governor Ed Benson regarding starting the luncheons again and he advised it is up to each branch to vote to do so, taking into consideration the rules coming from the government and the vendor, in our case Elkhorn. I have polled the Executive Board regarding possibly starting luncheons in July but all those who responded so far, a majority, feel it is too soon due to the higher rate of the virus infection in our county. The Board still has to create, discuss, and vote on the rules for starting the luncheons. I contacted Elkhorn after our executive board meeting this past Monday and they advised the only direction they have been given is that they can only have 100 people in the entire banquet room, which is currently divided between our luncheon and a women's bridge group. The women's bridge group has around 100 by itself so we may end up having to change our luncheon day if they book first. The only other requirement from Elkhorn is that the buffet line is gone and plates will be filled in the kitchen and brought to each table by food servers. At the very least it is likely that we will all be wearing masks when

not eating and there may only be four per table. Elkhorn advised they have no problem with setting up the extra tables. I have been informed by the Lodi Big SIR that they are already starting up their luncheons at Elkhorn and I will touch base with him after they have their first one to see how it goes.

For now, everyone stay safe and keep up the social distancing and other protective measures regarding sterilization and hopefully we can all break bread together again soon.

Glenn Nellman

Big Sir 2020

NEW IN THIS EDITION

- July Birthdays
- Two New Travel Opportunities
- July Calendar
- June BEC Minutes
- New Golf Schedule & Rules
- Read our Help-Wanted Page.
- Read Big Sir Greetings for more neat stuff



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Editor's Note: At this time, Bridge and Bowling activities have been canceled indefinitely due to the pandemic. Branch luncheons have also been canceled until further notice. Golf is back in business. Check the special pages in this bulletin concerning 18 Hole golf. Check the Happenings page for additional information on this. The Meeting Dates and Speakers pages in this Bulletin list future speakers, but this also is subject to change.

Miss a Meeting?

When you know you will miss a luncheon meeting please give our Attendance Chairman, Dick Andersen, a call (406-9399) 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.

Can't Drive? Need a Ride?

There are Branch 46 volunteers who would be more than happy to drive you to and from our monthly luncheons. For whatever reason, if you need transportation to our luncheons or any other SIR event, please do not hesitate to call. Our contact for this service is **Pete Lepisto: 948-2265**. We need you there! Please call!



SIR MEETING DATES & SPEAKERS 2020



Editor's note: At this time, all of this is on hold due to the pandemic. However, when the "all clear" notice comes, most of the speakers will be available and can be booked in to our remaining luncheons and also our 2021 luncheons.

Date	Function	Speaker	Organization	Topic
1/16/2020	Branch Luncheon	Roger Speed	Stop S.J. Suicide	Suicide
2/20/2020	Branch Luncheon	Tod Ruse	Sheriff Dept. Historian	S.J. Dept History
6/15/2020	BEC Meeting	Canceled		
6/18/2020	Branch Luncheon	Stan Dennison	Clear Captions	Canceled
7/13/2020	BEC Meeting			
7/16/2020	Branch Luncheon	Mike Lella	Italian Dad in German Army	Book
8/17/2020	BEC Meeting			
8/20/2020	Branch Luncheon -	Sheriff Winthro	Sheriff Dept	Update on Dept. Programs
9/14/2020	BEC Meeting			
9/17/2020	Branch Luncheon	Suzanne Shultz	D.A. Office	Senior Fraud
10/12/2020	BEC Meeting			
10/15/2020	Branch Luncheon	*****open*****		
11/16/2020	BEC Meeting			
11/19/2020	Branch Luncheon	*****open*****		
12/11/2020	Christmas Luncheon	Lincoln High Choir		

JULY BIRTHDAYS, WEDDINGS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAY WISHES TO

ROBERT VERHINES	04	JIM BUTTERFIELD	07
TOM RUT	08	EARL HOVE	13

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mary and Abraham MACKAY 26, 1980

Molly and Chuck ARGUS 10,1976

Sharon and Nick SMITH 01, 1967

Pat and Chuck SIFFING 04, 1967

Edie and Steve VIADO 22, 1967

Judy and Ray CARTER 27, 1963

Rosemary and Tom PATLA 23, 1960

66 YEARS

Alice and and Jack LAMBERTY 30, 1954

HELP WANTED !!

1. Little Sir

Requirements

Read, write, talk on phone



3. Secretary

Requirements

Read and write



2. Branch Treasurer

Requirements

Count to \$1036 (present balance)



4. Director

Requirements

Attend meetings and vote



Besides a Big Sir for 2021, we also need four additional gentlemen to fill expected vacancies in our executive committee. Except for the new Director, the other officers have been in their positions for at least two years and would like to pass on the duties to someone else. As an example, John Doisy has been Treasurer for 3 years. In the past 2 years, Mike Sather has been Big Sir and Little Sir. John Bayley is in his second year as Secretary. Also, we need a volunteer for the position of Director for the 2021-2023 years.

And while we are on the subject, your Bulletin Editor is getting too old for the job and would like someone to step in and take over. It is a cushy job. All he does is take photos and send stuff to Temple Gallagher, our publishing gal. She corrects any errors and arranges everything into a 10-page masterpiece. Think about it – it is an extremely rewarding job. Your current editor has been here too long (2013), and it is about time someone replaced him.



IMPORTANT DATES for BRANCH 46

July 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	

Red Indicates Branch Function

--July 1 Canada Day

--July 4 Independence Day

--July 7 Chocolate Day

--July 13 Branch Executive Meeting

Also Amazon Prime Day

--July 14 Bastille Day

--July 20 Last Day for Bulletin Input

--July 23 Vanilla Ice Cream Day

--July 31 Mutt's Day



As usual, we are including Bill Bromiley's monthly newsletter – this time for June. There are 14 technical articles, and we're providing info on three that we found interesting. For the complete writeup on these or any of the others, log on to our branch website (web address listed above) and click on the Computer link.

Editor's note: You may have to copy the long link and then paste it into your browser. For some reason, just clicking on the link in the article won't always work like it used to.

2. More Evaluations of Videoconferencing Systems. The link in this article compares and rates many of the video conferencing applications that are currently available. Interestingly, Zoom - the one that some SIR branches are currently using for BEC meetings during the pandemic - was considered the best.

Editor's note again: Read the Branch 46 BEC minutes in this bulletin. We voted not to use Zoom conferences for our BEC meetings.

3. What Is Going On With Google? Did you ever notice that when you request information on a subject from Google, it lists several websites you can go to. It turns out if some of the subjects are about a product or something you can buy, Google can get paid for the advertising. So the government filed a lawsuit that says Google is giving preference to those who pay more, and this is unfair to others who don't. There's a lot of legal problems here and you should read the article to see the government's views. We've always noticed that Google seems to put the website with what we think is the best description on the top of the page.

4. How to block Windows 10 May 2020 update, version 2004, from installing. We won't go into this in any detail, but the bottom line is don't install it until you've read the article and see what you're getting.

WHAT'S HAPPENING & NOT

THINGS THAT ARE NOT GOING TO HAPPEN

July Luncheon

July Bowling (Alley is Closed)

June & July Bridge

THINGS THAT MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE

July BEC (stay in touch)

July Bowling (rumor mill according to Ron)

July Golf is on! Read Big Sir Greeting, front page plus schedule in this bulletin

June & July Bridge (No Bridge until August at the earliest)

SIR Area 18N Restart Plan

May 23,2020

To: Branch 46 BEC
Branch 145 BEC

State SIR Golf has placed the responsibility of approving the plan for restarting SIR Golf with the individual branch's BECs. I was advised of this on May 21 at a ZOOM State Golf Committee meeting

1) Activities- Branches 46 and 145 are in the SIR Golf Area 18N (Stockton and Lodi), and I (Bill Rutherford) am the Area Coordinator. I am proposing the following plan to restart golf in the Area, subject to the approval of the individual Branches BECs. Our activities for the remainder of the year 2020 include tournaments at the following golf Courses:

Micke Grove	July 15
Swenson	July 29
Elkhorn	Aug 12
Discovery Bay	Aug 17
Cavanaugh	Aug 26
Castle Oaks	Sept 16
Swenson	Sept 30
The Reserve	Oct 14
Dry Creek	Oct 28
Micke Grove	Nov 11

Your approval of the plan includes approval of these listed activities.

2) Operating procedures (background) will follow the guidelines outlined by the Golf Industries recommendations in the 5 page report "Back2Golf Operations Playbook" attached to this request. Our courses are now operating under a combination of Phase One and Phase two. Our recommended procedures will be working under a combination of those two as their procedures allow.

3) Specific procedures-

a) Signups as normally by person, phone, e-mail and mail-in of the application.

b) Payments will all be in advance and by check, bank check, or money order. No cash will be handled. No payments will be allowed at the course.

3) Specific Procedures (cont'd)

c) Scorecards will be prepared by the Tournament Chairman by computer, and handed out at check-in. They may be handed out by the Tournament Chairman or the golf course check-in personnel, probably with gloves and mask.

d) Tee time starts (vs Scramble) will be used in the foreseeable future. Players will check in 10 minutes prior to their tee times and will get their scorecards at that time.

e) Carts will be issued individually unless the course goes to paired issue at some time in the future. Walkers may be allowed.

f) Tournaments may be limited to 48 players, depending on golf course policy. Although tee time starts make the 50 person limit questionable.

g) Social distancing will be maintained on tees and through the green. On the green, it's recommended that a player putt out, but not required.

h) Scorecards will be returned to the clubhouse and placed in a sealed box to be opened by the Tournament Chairman or the course personnel wearing gloves and mask. The cards may be copied and the copies used for work purposes to reduce exposure from the cards.

i) Results will be provided by the Tournament Chairman after the event has ended. Prizes will be paid by check from the TC (masked and gloved).

Notes:

1) The August 12 mixed Scramble will not have a following lunch and awards meeting, and 2) The take-out lunch provided by the Discovery Bay personnel will probably continue.

Your approval of the plan is approval of these procedures.

Presented by Bill Rutherford

Approved SIR Branch #46

SIR area 18N Chairman

Approved, SIR Branch 145



SIR BRANCH 46 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Dated: 06/15/2020

The B.E.C met at Holy Cross Methodist Church, 1200 W. Hammer Lane, Stockton, CA

Attending: John Bayley, Mike Sather, John Stevens, Dave Derksen, Dick Andersen, Glen Nellman, Pete Lepisto, John Doisy, David Palmer, Abraham Mackey, and David Stull. A quorum was present and The Big Sir called the meeting to order at 0833.

Invocation: Given by Dave Derksen

Minutes: Pete Lepisto moved and Glenn Nellman seconded that the modified Agenda be approved as written. Motion passed.

Big SIR: Glenn noted that the State was encouraging chapters to use Zoom to conduct board meetings and luncheon meetings. They volunteered to send someone to train on its use. Discussion followed and general consensus was that the board meetings could take place in person and the whole point of the monthly meetings was the fellowship of meeting and eating together. Pete Lepisto made a motion and Dave Derksen seconded that we decline their offer of training. Motion passed.

Ed Benson offered to help with finding a Big and Little SIR for next year if we would send them the emails of all of our members. General discussion followed. John Stevens and Dick Andersen seconded that we decline his offer. Motion Passed.

Glenn then discussed the need to have plans for how we would be handling the luncheon meetings when it was decided that we could start them again. It was suggested that all of the members be contacted to find out their feeling of when they thought they would be ready to come back to having meetings. Glenn will also talk to Elkhorn to see if they could accommodate us.

Little SIR Report: All future speakers have been notified of the meeting cancelations. None are scheduled until we know if and when we will start monthly luncheons.

Secretary Report: April and May luncheons were cancelled as mandated by the state SIRS Board and the State of California. Minutes of the February luncheon meeting were reviewed. Dave Palmer moved and Glenn Nellman seconded that the minutes be accepted as written. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report: John Doisy handed out the current form 28. He noted we started the month of March with \$1406.74 and ended the month of May with \$1036.54. The only expenses were for the bulletin, the SIRS state pro rata assessment and \$10 for the one Board meeting that was held. A question came up about the rebate that Elkhorn owed us on the Christmas Party. The Bir SIR noted they had said they would compensate us later. Dick Andersen made a motion and Pete Lepisto seconded to accept the report. Motion passed.

Golf: John Stevens noted that the proposed golf rules had been sent to all members. Discussion followed. It was suggested that it be modified to say "all Golf activities" so as to include the nine-hole activity. Pete Lepisto made a motion and Dave Stull seconded that the rules be accepted as modified. Motion passed

Old Business: None

New Business: None

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted John Bayley, Secretary



TRAVEL



SIR Travel Opportunities June 2020

Editor's Note: Warning: We have been told that Foreign Travel Liability Insurance has not been renewed due to lack of participation. If you plan a foreign trip for 2021, your trip cost will have to be increased to the total cost of the insurance, \$2700.

Sept 27 - Oct 3/2020: Princess 7 day Coastal Cruise. On the refurbished Princess Star (2017). Ports of call San Diego, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles (Long Beach) and Ensenada. R/T from San Francisco Pier. Includes R/T transfers from Livermore to SF Pier, Drivers & Stevedore Tips, Taxes and Port Expenses (\$210), Luggage Handling and a bottle of Wine per cabin and Cocktail Party. Price range from \$1438 interior to Mini-Suite \$2008 DO. For additional information contact Werner Schlapfer #101 925 4453-8291 werner@schlapfer.com

Dec 30/2020-Jan 3/2021 New Years in Palm Springs: At the Hyatt Regency Indian Wells, Resort. For 5 days!! Tour includes Home pickup, R/T Air to Ontario, all breakfasts and two dinners and Gala New Year's Eve Party with cocktails, dinner and live band and much, much more. Daily tours included, Hollywood Movie Locations Aerial Tram and Living Desert Zoo. Price range \$2495 DO to \$3065 SO. For additional information contact Joe Salamida Br# 54 408 767-2838 ascreenman756@gmail.com or Archie Belogolovsky 408 253-3956 or Talbot Tours 800 662-9933 info@talbottours.com

Feb 8-23/2021 Panama Canal aboard Emerald Princess: NEW Board in San Francisco, Air from Fort Lauderdale, FL Home pickup Pre Trip Orientation. Ports of Call Cabo San Lucas, Jan Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua, Puntarenas, Costa Rica, Fuerte Amador, Panama and Cartagena. Colombia. Price range from \$3335 Interior to \$4170 Balcony DO. SO slightly higher. For additional information contact contact Roy Newman #45 530 755-3713 roy.newman@comcast.net or Talbot Tours 800 662-9933 info@talbottours.com

April 22-May9/2021 Adriatic and Aegean Princes Cruise: 14 day cruise. Ports of call, Italy, Greece, Sicily, Turkey and Spain. Sailing from Rome to Barcelona. Includes, if booked by 2/25/2020. Premier Beverage Package, Unlimited Wi-Fi, Pre-Paid Gratuities and One night Pre & Post Cruise night Hotel Stay. Price range from \$4450 Interior to \$5750 Mini Suite Per-Person DO. For additional information contact Bill Stires 209 544-2684 or cell 209 998-5445 or bstires46@gmail.com

July 11-19, 2021 Canadian Rockies by Train: NEW Featuring the Calgary Stampede, Banff, Lake Louise, Athabasca Glacier and Vancouver BC. Includes 7 Breakfast, 1 Lunch and 4 Dinners. R/T air from SFO. Travel by Collette. Cost \$6880 DO, SO slightly higher. For additional information contact Bill Rodman #38 408 274-4521 brodman@sbcglobal.net or Alan Patmore 408 867-4197 alan-patmore@earthlink.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 to Tom Molinari State Travel Chairman stmolinari55@gmail.com 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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***Executive Board
Meeting:
JULY 13th***

Meeting dates for 2020:

August 20th,
September 17th,
October 15th,
November 19th

**NOTICE! ALL MEETINGS
SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION
DUE TO PANDEMIC**

PRESIDENT

Ed Benson

REGION 2 DIRECTOR

Rick Kindle

652-8608

AREA 18 GOVERNOR

Richard Provost

222-1910

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Glenn Nellman

369-8620

LITTLE SIR

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601-1642

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298-0327

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470-2521

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948-2265

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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

406-9399

AUDITORS

Dave Palmer

242-2093

open

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Dave Palmer

242-2093

BRIDGE (mixed)

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369-8620

Mike Sather

601-1642

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957-0424

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Abraham Mackey

471-7007

GOLF (18 hole)

John Stevens

470-5251

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MEMBERSHIP

Dave Derksen

636-4650

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477-0743

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Maynard Bostwick

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601-1642

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open

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369-8620

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Mike Sather

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TRAVEL

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