



# The Rooster Crows!

## The Scoop from the Coop

January 2025

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



Welcome to another exciting year of fun and activities. We are so lucky and thankful for all of the many leaders that make this organization work.

A big **THANK YOU** to each of you!



### News Of The Day From State

- The Branch Advisory Committee (BAC) is up and running. We have 25 Branches participating. The purpose of the BAC is to provide guidance from the branches to the Board of Directors on policies and procedures and other matters of common concern.
- We are refocusing on our training programs. Jim Gragg and his team will be developing an annual comprehensive training program to ensure our leaders are properly trained and to address challenges as they arise that our branches face.
- We are exploring exciting marketing approaches. Andy Danver will be spearheading our joint State and branch pilot programs. He and Jim will be coordinating the placement of an advertisement in the NCGA monthly newsletter. Andy's team will be developing and implementing this year our first State internet marketing program. We anticipate these many efforts will generate new members for our branches.



A big **THANK YOU** to Mark Stuart and Rick Kindle for their service on the Board. Both are leaving the Board this year after years of service to SIR. But, don't worry, they will still be here to help and provide guidance.



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Why do fathers take an extra pair of socks when they go golfing? In case they get a hole-in-one.



And a big **WELCOME** to our new Activities Director **Michael Lee!**







### How to Play Spelling Bee

Create words using letters from the hive.

- Words must contain at least 4 letters.
- Words must include the center letter.
- Our word list does not include words that are obscure, hyphenated, or proper nouns.
- No cussing either, sorry.
- Letters can be used more than once.

Spelling Bee is found daily in the New York Times., which has several fun word games.



### RECENT ADDITIONS TO OUR STATE SIR TEAM

Todd Berman  
Eric Bull  
Robert Fletcher  
Rich Inman  
Mark Massman  
Jerry Morrow  
Craig Ruess  
Pat Stan  
Steve Zickerman

Eugene Bettencourt  
John Farcich  
John Frierson  
Michael Lee  
Gary Medwid  
Michael Nistler  
Peter Shapiro  
Gary Wright



"I don't care if he is just trying to make a buck, following us with that defibrillator is unnerving."

# LOOK

Next month: News about how you might get paid for being a member of SIR.