

# SONS IN RETIREMENT

A NON-PROFIT BENEFIT ORGANIZATION FOR RETIRED MEN DEVOTED TO THE PROMOTION OF INDEPENDENCE AND DIGNITY OF RETIREMENT

What's cookin' this month at 95?

Gold Country Branch 95

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# Luncheon Meeting Second Monday of Each Month

Folsom Elk's Lodge 806 Reading, Folsom

11:00 a.m. Happy Hour 12:00 noon Luncheon

# BIG SIR Sandy Samboy 916.933.8903

We still need a Travel Chairman. Certain committees appear to have become inactive; if you wish to reactivate any of these, or start something new, please let me know. Taking an active role in the SIRs organization is rewarding and a good way to make new friends.

The SIRs 50th anniversary cruise to Hawaii, scheduled for March 2008, has been canceled. An alternative cruise has been approved by the State Committee. This will be on Norwegian Cruise Lines and include flying from Northern California to Honolulu, cruising the main islands of Hawaii and returning by ship to San Francisco. If you would like more information, please call Golden Gate Tours at (925) 798-3000.

# LITTLE SIR Larry Keenan 916.933.9475

Some of you will be familiar with our speaker today. He is Bob Epperly, head golf professional at Antelope Greens Golf Course. Will he help us make better chips? Yes! Will our drives go further and straighter? Absolutely! Will he help us get to par sooner? Without question! Providing you are willing to change your way of thinking and try something different.

Bob teaches a swing technique that, though different from most PGA instructors, may just suit just about everyone in the room that currently play golf.
Today Bob is recognized as one of the nation's top "Natural Swing" golf instructors. I look forward to tips that will help me in my limited game. I hope that he will be able to give us all some pointers to help us enjoy the game more. Please give a hardy welcome to today's speaker, Mr. Bob Epperly.

Next month our speaker will be Dick Rider, from the De-

partment of Corporations, State of California, in Sacramento. He is an outreach consultant for "Seniors Against Investment Fraud" (SAIF). A native Sacramentan, Dick is a former president of the Sacramento Better Business Bureau. He is the founder of the California Vehicle Foundation which currently operates the Towe Auto Museum in Sacramento. He is also an appraiser of collector cars. He is currently chairman of the task force team for elder abuse, a project of the California Commission on Aging. Don't miss this one.

If you know of a speaker that our group would enjoy and benefit from please get in touch with me.

#### BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH:

Ed Bowman, Bob Eyrich, Jim Peterson, Warren Questo, Stan Seeley, Marv Smith, Ed Walsh, Norb Witt, Bill Yeager

## SUNSHINE CORNER Tom Grube 916.939.0439 tomgrube@comcast.net

The only illness or injury reported this past month has been Jim Henninger, who apparently fell and sustained a fractured arm. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to his returning to our monthly meetings.

If you, or any member, are experiencing physical problems please let me know so we can tell other members of your situation.

# THIS MONTH'S FEATURED MEMBER

Kurt Borowski was born on June 9, 1930 in Koenigsberg East Prussia, Germany, where he attended school until age 14½. He then entered the German air force as a cadet to become a pilot. However, due to the war and the advancing Russian army, he had to flee on foot westward about 120 kilometers from where he made it by ship to West Germany. His

#### SAND TRAPS

## Brian Upton 916.939.6601

#### FEBRUARY RESULTS

Course EMPIRE RANCH

First Dave Steimle

Second Hal Nelson Third **Bob Bartlett** 

CT Pin Dave Steimle

(Bill Stegman) MATHER

Dennis Callahan Jack Harris

George Van Blyenburgh George Van Blyenburgh

(Bill Clark)

Jack and George tied with same net scores and on no. 1 & 2 handicap holes. The number 3 hole was the tiebreaker. WILDHAWK Brian Upton

Ron Waisner

Jim Villa

**Bob Hendrickson** 

(Jack Harris)

To ensure we golfers are all playing with the same restrictions and allowances, the following rule applies: "Moving the ball: Players are allowed, on the fairways and rough, to reposition the ball within a six inch distance of its original location except in a lateral hazard. Here the ball must be played as it lies or lifted and dropped with a one-stroke penalty.

mother and siblings were evacuated from Koenigsberg into the country and except for one sister he would never see them again. Kurt wound up working on a farm for about 2 years to make a living. He finally found his father who was a military prisoner in Russia.

He always had a great sense of curiosity of what makes things work. As a boy he took apart a wind-up alarm clock to see what made it tic, but had no luck putting it back together, much to the displeasure of his mother. He liked engineering and at about 17 years of age entered a wellknown machine building school. He then completed a 31/2 year apprenticeship as a machine builder and repair mechanic and was about to start engineering school.

In November 1951 Kurt had the opportunity, due to his refugee status, to immigrate to the U.S.A. He arrived at Ellis

Island after an 11 day trip on an army troop transport ship with many people from different countries. He went by train to Lincoln, Nebraska where his sponsor lived. He worked as a machinist for about nine months and went to school evenings to learn English before he was drafted into the U.S. Army. After basic training with the 101st Airborne and other assignments he finally wound up in Korea with the 7th Division as an infantryman. In 1954 he returned to Lincoln, Nebraska, where he worked as a machinist, attended engineering school and met his future wife.

In 1955 he felt he had a better opportunity in the engineering field in California so he moved to Sacramento and again worked as a machinist while going to school. He also got his American citizenship that year. In 1956 he returned to Lincoln to marry Roberta. In 1957 Kurt was hired by the engineering

department at Aerojet based on his extensive training in rockets. His primary job was writing programs for numerical controlled machines. That is how he became well familiar with computers. He worked there for 35 years, retiring in 1992. He made a lot of friends at Aerojet and the company helped him support his wife and raise 3 sons.

Now retired, Kurt lives on 10 acres where he keeps busy clearing land and going on trips like Alaska, Germany, his old birthplace Koenigsberg, Hong Kong and traveling by motor home. Kurt still likes working on the computer and enjoys helping others with computer problems. His long relationship with SIRs has been a pleasant one. He made a lot of friends here and enjoys the camaraderie. Kurt hopes he can live up to the expectation of being the Webmaster of our branch.

Who would you like to learn more about? Please call Al Lohrmann 530.677.5884 to nominate them.

#### Attendance Rules

Rule 60 - Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the branch locale. Rule  $100-\mathrm{A}$  member may be notified in writing by his branch of the pending termination of his mem bership (Rule 107) if he is responsible for any of the following:

Miss three consecutive regular meetings without being excused by contacting the designated Attendance per son prior to the meeting date. Non-attendance at six (6) regular luncheon meetings within the previous twelve (12) consecutive month.

Note: Excused meetings may not be included.

Attendance at Ladies Day functions may be excluded at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

Any item to appear in the April 2007 Bulletin must be in the hands of Jim Peterson by Sunday, April 1. Email to jlp\_edh@yahoo.com. 916.934.0990

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