



SONS IN RETIREMENT

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RETIRED MEN DEVOTED TO THE PROMOTION OF
INDEPENDENCE AND DIGNITY OF RETIREMENT

Gold Country Branch 95

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What's cookin' this month at 95?

Gold Country Branch 95 2007 Elected Officers

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Honorary Life Member

Al Kaiser

Chairmen

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| Attendance | Chuck LePere |
| Attendance Asst. | Neal Lucey |
| Badges/Raffle | Bob Scheidegger |
| Bowling | Open |
| Bulletin | Jim Peterson |
| Chaplain | Bill Clark |
| Webmaster | Kurt Borowski |
| Golf | George Van Blyenburgh |
| Asst. Golf | Brian Upton |
| Historian | Open |
| Membership | Lou Rain |
| Photography | Warren Graves |
| Property | Open |
| Publicity | Bill Yeager |
| E-Mail | Ken Graves |
| Sunshine | Tom Grube |
| Supplies | Bob Carlquist |
| Travel | Open |

Branch 95 Website

<http://95.sirbranch.com/>

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

Hope everyone had a good summer and is ready to tackle the planting season.

We still need a Travel Chairman.

Friday, January 25, 2008 will be "Salute to SIR" day at the races at Golden Gate Fields. The special discounted Turf Club rate is \$23 for SIR groups of 10 or more. Included for this price are valet parking or parking for a bus, admission, reserved seating, daily racing program, prime rib buffet and tax/tip for food servers. A volunteer is needed to be in charge of our group. If you are interested, please see me after the meeting.

The SIRs State Travel

Committee is planning a SIRs 50th Anniversary Cruise to Hawaii in 2008. Details are available on the SIRs web site.

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.

LITTLE SIR

Larry Keenan 916.933.9475

Our speaker today really needs no introduction. Just mentioning his name, "Rusty," is like mentioning "Cher" or "Bono" or "W." Immediately everyone knows who it is.

Of course I am talking about our El Dorado County Supervisor Rusty Dupray.

I am particularly happy to have Rusty here because this is an exciting and challenging time in our area of the county, and Rusty can clear away the cobwebs and make sense from all the issues that he is dealing with.

Please give a warm SIR welcome to County Supervisor Rusty Dupray.

Attention Attention !!!!

Annual Christmas Luncheon

Come join all the SIRs for our annual Ladies Day Christmas luncheon to be held on December 10, here at the Folsom Elks Lodge.

Our Social hour is 11 AM - Noon with a no-host bar. Our menu will be Christmas turkey, ham, corn bread, vegetables, mashed potatoes, green salad, fruit salad, cake/ice cream and lots of Christmas spirit.

We will even have the fabulous Foothill Women's Chorus who are being brought back by popular demand.

The cost is \$18.00/person, \$36.00/couple. Advance payment is required. Please make checks payable to SIR Branch 95 and mail to:

Larry Keenan
3391 Tartan Trail
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

All checks are to be received no later than November 30, so please get your reservations in early as we have a limited number of seats. We will have 16 tables seating eight people each = 128 total, and checks are coming in daily.

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH:

George Engel
Joel Enns
Warren Graves
Kip Klopp
Jack O'Lamb
Fred Plutchak
Steve Thomson
Don Willett

SUNSHINE CORNER

Tom Grube 916-939-0439

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Based on the information I have received it appears all members are in good health at this time and enjoying the good weather.

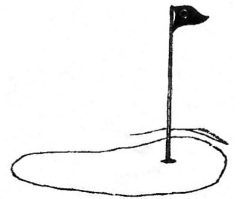
That is good news for all. If you or any member is experiencing physical problems please let me know so we can notify other members of your situation.

SAND TRAPS

Brian Upton 916.939.6601

OCTOBER RESULTS

Course	First	Second	Third	CT Pin
EMPIRE RANCH (Bill Stegman)	Bill Yeager	Charlie Bossung	Dave Steimle	Wally Sharp
MATHER (Bill Clark)	Bill Clark	Brian Upton	Wally Sharp	Gary Grann
WILD HAWK (Jack Harris)	Dennis Callahan	Bill Yeager	Steve Thomson	Fred Plutchak



Golfers, it's that time of year again! It's time to renew your NCGA dues and membership for 2008. The cost to renew for 2008 will be \$40.00 for existing members, and \$50.00 for new members. Please make your check payable to: SIR Branch 95 Golf, and give it to Brian Upton before December 15.

If you miss the payment renewal date of December 15th, you must be re-registered as a new member. There is an additional \$10.00 fee for this process. Your fee will cover the cost of NCGA dues, golf balls, special prizes, and the cost of golf course deposit fees.

We plan to add some new golf courses to our schedule next year, so be sure to renew and join the fun. If you have any questions, please contact Brian Upton.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Bill Clark

OUR NEIGHBORS RELIGION SEVEN WONDERS OF JEW- ISH HISTORY by Rabbi Spiro

What it would take to constitute a perfect world? Ken Spiro questioned more than 1,500 people of various backgrounds, revealing six core elements: respect for human life; peace and harmony; justice and equality; education; family; and social responsibility. A highly readable and well-documented book about the origins of values and virtues in Western civilization as influenced by the Greeks, Romans, Christians, Muslims and, most significantly, the Jews.

Year 25 Assumption (Testament) of Moses, original Hebrew extant Latin (Apocrypha).

THE HALL OF CHURCH FATHERS

It is a mistake to view the Church Fathers' writings as if they had some sort of canonical authority. These men were not apostles. They were not infallible.

Yet it is an even greater mistake to ignore what the Fathers had to say. If we stand on their shoulders, we can see

beyond some of the obstacles that hampered their vision. The church of our generation has much to learn from these men who stood so valiantly for truth and fought so determinedly against error. This pertains specifically to the Church Fathers through Augustine of Hippo.

REFORMER

Martin Luther began the reformation when he nailed his 95 Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Church. He believed it was a fight for the gospel. He even stated that he would have happily yielded every point of dispute to the Pope, if only the Pope had affirmed the gospel. Did you know that Luther originally started studying law?

For more church history, run searches on YAHOO...

The Bishop was so upset with this kind of publicity that he ordered the pastor not to enter the donkey in another race.

The next day, the local paper headline read:
BISHOP SCRATCHES PASTOR'S ASS.

This was too much for the bishop, so he ordered the pastor to get rid of the donkey.

The pastor decided to give it to a nun in a nearby convent.

The local paper, hearing of the news, posted the following headline the next day:
NUN HAS BEST ASS IN TOWN.

The bishop fainted.

He informed the nun that she would have to get rid of the donkey, so she sold it to a farmer for \$10.

The next day the paper read:
NUN SELLS ASS FOR \$10.

This was too much for the bishop, so he ordered the nun to buy back the donkey and lead it to the plains where it could run wild.

The next day the headlines read:
NUN ANNOUNCES HER ASS IS WILD AND FREE.

The bishop was buried the next day.

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SMILE . . .

The Pastor's Donkey

The pastor entered his donkey in a race and it won. The pastor was so pleased with the donkey that he entered it in the race again, and it won again.

The local paper read:
PASTOR'S ASS OUT FRONT.

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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 – A member may be notified in writing by his branch of the pending termination of his membership (Rule 107) if he is responsible for any of the following:

- Miss three consecutive regular meetings without being excused by contacting the designated Attendance person 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 January 2008 Bulletin must be in the hands of Jim Peterson by Saturday, January 6. Email to jlp_edh@yahoo.com. 916.934.0990