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Gold Country Branch 95

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What's cookin' this month at 95?

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BIG SIR—Larry Keenan

On behalf of all members we would like to welcome new member, John Carney. John is recently retired from Exxon as a Project Manager. His interests are reading, computers, travel, politics and investments. His wife's name is Deanna.

See the Giants in AT&T Park

Thursday afternoon, August 21, is Sir Day at AT&T Park in San Francisco. All those interested in participating are encouraged to get tickets through the SIR web site at Sirinc.org. The SF Giants will be playing the Florida Marlins and the president of SIR will be throwing out the first pitch. Special prices are available whether you sit with other SIR members or not and you can bring spouses and guests, grandkids included. It's a great day for an outing to "the city." And don't forget River Cats

Baseball in Sacramento. It's the best in the minors and a great venue to take your grandkids for an outing.

Branch 95 Golf Program a Huge Success

Under the guidance of Brian Upton and his assistants, Paul Tomlinson, Bill Clark, and Jack Harris, this year's Branch 95 Golf program is the best ever. Not only are there more participants, there are more locations with more challenges. As you know, the Sacramento area boasts some of the most impressive and affordable golf in the nation. In a recent article in the Bee, the Sacramento area ranked 19th out of the top 50 areas in the nation with populations of one million or more by Golf Digest Magazine. While other areas were ranked higher, several were in cold climates where play is restricted over half the year. Here we can play year 'round and on some very nice public courses. Whether you have a high or low handicap, on any given match anyone can get a good score, make a terrific drive, putt with authority, and even get closest to the pin once in awhile, and play with friends that can count, and a trophy for the leader at the end of the season. What more could you ask for than that? Thanks Brian, Bill, Paul, and Jack. All of Branch 95 golfers appreciate your efforts in putting together the best program in SIRs.

SIR Happenings

Enjoy reading our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can easily find SIR Happenings on the SIR State Website:
www.sirinc.org.

Branch 95 Website:
95.sirbranch.com

SAND TRAPS

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Empire Ranch Tournament - July 1

First: Gary Grann

Second: Mel Hallett

Third: Brian Upton

Fourth: Jack Harris

Closest To Pin: Chuck LePere

Wildhawk Tourn. - July 15

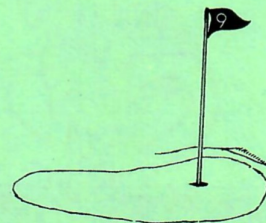
First: Bill Clark

Second: Dev Clark

Third: Fred Plutchak

Fourth: Chuck Lepere

Closest To Pin: George Simko



Timber Creek Tournament - July 24

First: Malcolm Ramsay

Second: Vince Mamone

Third: Jerry Nester

Fourth: Jack Harris

Closest To Pin: Jack Harris

Hi Golfers - signup sheets are available at the check-in table today to sign up for play at the Wildhawk, Mather and Ancil Hoffman golf courses. The weather will be great, and if you're in the running for our Club Championship, this is a chance to start your run.....

LITTLE SIR—Bill Stegman

The speaker for Monday, August 11, 2008, is author Greg Velm. He will tell us about his new book, True Gold, which is a breezy account of early settlers rushed to riches -- chock full of colorful nuggets. This book has been acclaimed by the Sacramento Bee, Fox40 TV, and KFBK News. He should be a very entertaining speaker. Let's give a big SIRs welcome to Greg.

Next month, we will be addressed by the publicity person for the new casino in Shingle Springs.

BIRTHDAYS—THIS MONTH

Hal Anderson; George Brown
Dean DeCourcy; Arthur Glick
Jack Harris; Jim January
Bill Kammerer; Bob Salinovich
Sandy Samboy; George Simko

SUNSHINE CORNER

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We have been informed that SIRs member Ken Graves has passed away. His brother Warren called to advise that Ken died peacefully and sud-

denly Monday night while watching television. Ken was 81 and had been in reasonably good health prior to his death. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

We have just learned that SIRs member Alfred Lohrmann has not been doing well with his bout with pancreatic cancer. Alfred speculates that he will soon be ready for hospice care. Alfred is aware of our joining membership with another SIRs group and did not want to take up space on the roster if it was needed for a new member. What a guy! We wish him peace and comfort.

If you or any member is experiencing physical problems please let me know so we can

notify other members of your situation.

SMILE....

IRISH BLONDE IN A CASINO

An attractive blonde from Cork arrived at the Casino and bet twenty-thousand Euros on a single roll of the dice. She said, 'I hope you don't mind, but I feel much luckier when I'm completely nude.' With that, she stripped from the neck down, rolled the dice and yelled, 'Come on, baby, Mama needs new clothes!'

As the dice came to a stop, she jumped up and down and squealed... 'YES! YES! I WON, I WON!' She hugged each of the dealers and then picked up her winnings and her clothes and quickly departed.

The dealers stared at each other dumbfounded. Finally, one of them asked, 'What did she roll?' The other answered, 'I don't know - I thought you were watching.'

MORAL OF THE STORY - Not all Irish are stupid and not all blondes are dumb, but all men are men.

Notice

Any item for the Sept. 2008 Bulletin must be in the hands of Jim Peterson by
Saturday August 30, 2008.

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