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

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BIG SIR—Bill Yeager

Welcome to the New Year. 2011 was a real challenge politically and financially for many of us. I am optimistic 2012 will find us all in good health and good standing.

I want to thank Gary Grann for his service this past year as Big SIR. He kept our organization focused and moving forward. Also a thank you to Bill Stegman as he served two years as Big SIR before Gary took over.

I want to thank and acknowledge Dennis Peterson for stepping forward to be our Little SIR this year, Tim Herdt who has taken the Secretary position and Keith Hepler to be our Treasurer.

I look forward to this year and with your help and ideas we can continue to make Branch 95 meetings an enjoyable experience each month.

One the lunch menu today, I understand we are having Salisbury steak with mash potatoes and gravy. Some good old "comfort food".

Little SIR—Dennis Petersen

Our speaker today is Jim Solberg. Jim's background is education. He received his PhD in Education and Administration for University of Michigan. He retired as Deputy Superintendent of San Ramon Valley School District and currently serves on Board of Directors of Symposia Medicus. Symposia Medicus is the largest non-university program for continuing medical education.

Jim will talk today on "Shredding of American Values without Burning the American Flag". A humorous perspective.

Speaker for February will be Rob Born who is with the FBI, Special Agent Bomb Tech Coordinator.

For March, we will have Dr Bob LaPerriere who will be relating a little history about medical conditions during the Gold Rush era in California.

Sand Traps
by Brian Upton, Golf Chair

SIR Branch 95 Results
December 2011 Tournaments:

Empire Ranch Tournament –
December 6, 2011

- First: Paul Tomlinson**
- Second: Ed Gupton**
- Third: Bob Hendrickson**

Diamond Oaks Tournament –
December 13, 2011

- First: Dan Cockcroft**
- Second: Tim Herdt**
- Third: Dennis Petersen**

Wildhawk Tournament –
December 20, 2011

- First: Dennis Petersen**
- Second: Paul Tomlinson**
- Third: Dan Cockcroft**
- Fourth: Chuck Sopp**

Closest-To-The-Pin

- Empire Ranch – Paul Warney**
- Diamond Oaks – Ron Waisner**
- Wildhawk – Hole#4 – Bill Stegman,**
- Hole #17 – Joel Enns**

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You know your golf game's bad
when you have to have your
ball retriever re-gripped!

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Billiards

by Carl Backers, Billiards Chair

Join us for partners *8 Ball* every Monday except for SIRs luncheon Monday. We rotate partners after every game and play two to three hours, depending on how many show up. There is no charge for play and food and drinks are available.

Where: Lake Bowl on Bidwell Street in Folsom in the bar area.

When: Play starts at Noon

Golf
by Brian Upton

Happy New Year to our 41 returning SIR golfers! We look forward to a fun packed schedule and many new experiences in 2012.

No events are scheduled for January, and we will resume our normal schedule at Empire Ranch on Tuesday, February 7, 2011. A sign-up sheet is available at the front door check-in desk for those wishing to join us.

To promote our new season, two closest-to-the pin prizes will be scheduled at all tournaments in February. Double your chances to win a sleeve of premium golf balls at each event.

Our annual Scramble tournament at Auburn Valley golf course on June 27, 2012 will be comprised of A, B, C & D handicap players as in the past, and four man teams will be assembled by the "blind draw" process. This will be performed before the event takes place. All interested participants will be asked to sign-up well in advance so teams can be assembled. There will be free giveaways and many cash prizes.

Congratulations to Dennis Callahan and Ron Waisner who concluded 2011 as our two most improved golfers.

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Jolly Hookers

by John Ramsey, Asst Head Hooker

The Jolly Hookers outing at Eagle Lake had 18 members, some fish were caught, 5 one pounders, a 2 pounder and one over 4 pounds. All had a great time!

See or contact John for information about Jolly Hookers events and plans.
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Bulletin Updates

February 2012 Bulletin Items
Please submit to Jon Jakowatz by
Monday, February 5, 2012
E-mail: **SIR95Bulletin@jakowatz.net**

January Birthdays

- Dick Bailey
- Henry Cook
- Bill Keane
- Bob Mello
- Mike Mohr
- Malcolm Ramsay
- Jack Uvodich
- Don Weick (PBS)
- Ernie Williams

"No-Date" Birthdays

- Mike Barnes
- Ed Newton

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SIRS Giants Baseball 2012

All SIR day at the SF Giants will be Thursday, August 2, 2012. The opponents will be the New York Mets. Starting time is 12:45 PM. 141 reserved lower box seats in Section 131 have been set aside for SIRS.

If interested contact Ashley Campisi at the Giants at acampisi@sfgiants.com. These seats are adjacent to the 60 seats for Branch 25. Hank Gomez, SIRS member will be singing the National Anthem with the Four Sons Quartet.

Branch 95 Luncheon Location
2nd Monday of the Month

Placerville Elks Lodge
3821 Quest Ct.,
Shingle Springs, CA
TEL. 530.672.9120.
Happy Hour 11:00 a.m.

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