



# SONS IN RETIREMENT

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

Gold Country Branch 95 - Bulletin 298 - May 2013

## Gold Country Branch 95 2013 Elected Officers

### Big Sir

Dennis Petersen..... 916.467.7748

### Little Sir

Dan Cockcroft ..... 530.626.8812

### Secretary

Tim Herdt ..... 916.939.1405

### Asst. Secretary

Terry Starkel ..... 916.817.1524

### Treasurer

Keith Hepler ..... 916.933.7779

### Asst. Treasurer

Joe Giacomini ..... 916.939.2060

### Directors at Large

Dennis Callahan ..... 530.620.6908

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Brian Upton ..... 916.939.6601

Bill Yeager ..... 916.941.6632

### Region II Director

Ralph Lingis ..... 916.933.5561

### Area 31 Governor

Frank Severn ..... 916.985.7759

### Honorary Life Members

Al Kaiser      Ross Walter

### Chairmen

Attendance ..... George Simko

Attendance Asst. .... Open

Badges/Raffle ..... Open

Bowling ..... Don Weick

Bulletin ..... Jon Jakowatz

Chaplain ..... Ray Retallack

Fishing ..... John Ramsey

Golf ..... Brian Upton

Asst Golf ..... George Van Blyenburgh

Historian ..... Open

Membership & E-mail .. Mike Mohr

Photography ..... Open

Property ..... Open

Publicity ..... Bill Yeager

Sunshine ..... Open

Travel ..... Open

Webmaster ..... Al Schmidt

## BIG SIR— Dennis Petersen

### ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

The latest information from SIR Inc president, Richard Dettmer, indicates that over the years SIR membership has slipped from a high of 30,000 to a present membership of 16,000.

Branch 95 membership seems to have paralleled that trend. But, hold on, it's not as bad as it looks. We have an extremely active branch with continued participation from our membership, especially the past big SIR's and members of our branch executive committee.

All members can point out the Big/Little SIR's because of their exposure but do you recognize the treasurer (Keith Hepler), his assistant (Joe Giacomini), our secretary (Tim Herdt) or his assistant (Terry Starkel)?

It's the people that we don't see that work the hardest, like Jon Jakowatz who composes the bulletin or George Simko and his group of callers who assure an accurate count for our luncheons. Al Schmidt expends a lot of time and energy creating and maintaining our Branch 95 website. Do you know our activities chairmen Don Weick (bowling), John Ramsey (fishing) or Brian Upton (golf)? How about Ray Retallack, our chaplain?

Don't worry, Branch 95 is in great shape and can look forward to an even better future with active individuals in our membership.

A sincere thank you to all who have given so generously of their time in the past and to those who will do the same in the future. Now might be a great time for you to volunteer to become an **active member** and fill a position that will assure our future.

## Little SIR—Dan Cockcroft

**This month's speaker** is Michael Beaman of Safe Inheritance Corp. His topic is *State Benefits and Long-Term Care - Saving Your Inheritance*.

California's regulations for long-term care are in transition for the first time in decades. These changes will jeopardize the finances of every senior who needs care. Michael will be giving us some insight into how these changes will affect us.



## LADIES DAY PICNIC

**JUNE 10 - HIGH HILL RANCH**

2901 High Hill Road, Placerville

\$10 per person

For information see Dennis or Dan OR send payment by June 3rd to:

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