

Gold Country Branch 95 2017 Elected Officers Big Sir

Big Sir		
Rich Turoff 916.934.0176		
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Joe Giacomini 916.939.2060		
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Tim Irish .916.933.3466		
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Dan Cockcroft 916.933.6462		
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Don Brooks 530.295.9236		
Region III Director		

Region III Director Vic Mershon

Area 31 Governor - Open
Honorary Life Members
Al Kaiser Ross Walter

Chairmen

Channen	
Attendance	Jim Purcell 916.358.5251
Badges	$Bill\ Yeager\ 916.941.6632$
Biking	Rich Christensen
	916.817.1838
Bocce	Dan Cockcroft 916.933.6462
Bowling	Don Weick $916.933.2980$
	Mike Wilke $916.833.5008$
Bulletin	${\rm Jon\ Jakowatz.\ 916.941.6792}$
Chaplain	Ray Retallack 916.933.3704
Golf	Brian Upton $916.939.6601$
Asst Golf	Dennis Petersen
	916.817.1149
Publicity	$Bill\ Yeager\ 916.941.6632$
Skiing	Bill Yeager 916.941.6632
Webmaster	Al Schmidt 916.939.6669

SONS IN RETIREMENT

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

BIG SIR - Rich Turoff

I hope you all had a joyous holiday season! Regarding our Christmas dinner, the feedback seems to indicate that it was a huge success. As a result, it is more than likely that we will be returning to the same venue at the end of this year but that is way in the future.

As the Big Sir for 2017, I would be remiss in not mentioning the hard work put in by all our board and committee members last year to improve the SIR experience of our branch. In particular, kudos to Past Big Sir Terry Privott who provided the leadership to accomplish these things and, for much of the year, without the help of a Little Sir. The amount of effort he put in was truly amazing.

Our newly elected officers for 2017 are Joe Giacomini-Little SIR, Terry Starkel-Secretary, Tim Herdt-Assistant Secretary, Tim Irish-Treasurer and Bob Birgbauer-Assistant Treasurer. The other members of our BEC are Mike Mohr, Dennis Petersen, Terry Privott, Jay Guertin, Dan Cockroft, Ken McCoy and Don Brooks. We all need your support so that we can make being a member of SIR fun and enjoyable.

Branch 95 experienced a decline in membership and lower attendance at our luncheons for some time last year but those trends reversed in the later part of the year. We all must continue our efforts to maintain this positive trend. I also want to remind all members that our annual dues of \$20 should be paid as soon as possible. The dues are used to help pay for miscellaneous expenses and to keep the cost for luncheons members now pay where they are. The dues are not intended to be for making a profit.

I wish everyone a healthy and prosperous New Year!!

LITTLE SIR - Joe Giacomini

Today's speaker is Harry Hall. Harry was born in Sacramento, CA and moved to Dallas, TX at the age of one and grew up in Dallas. Harry went to Texas A. & M. and graduated in 1971 as an engineer. Harry worked for Chevron for 33 years until his retirement in 2004. Harry is a registered professional engineer and formed HLC Consulting in 2004. Harry will speak to us about oil from the ground to the gas tank.

Sand Traps

by Brian Upton, Golf Chair SIR Branch 95 Results

2016 Tournaments:

Empire Ranch – December 6

First: Ken McCoy Second: Jim Purcell Third: Bill Stegman

<u>Mather – December 13</u>

Cancelled Due to Weather

Wildhawk - December 20

Played as Practise Round Due to Weather Conditions

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Have you found that it usually takes about 17 holes to really get warmed up!

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(916-635-4118)

SIR Branches 95, 49 & 112 are invited to join SIR Branch 150 the third Monday each

month at 10AM at the IHOP on Sunrise Blvd and Coloma Rd. in Rancho Cordova to play cards. For info contact Lee Peterson

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by Dan Cockcroft - The "Big Dill"

For info on **SIR's 95** Pickleball contact Dan at 916-933-6462.

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Palino Putters by Dan Cockcroft 916-933-6462

Branch 95 Sirs play in EDHCSD Bocce Leagues on two teams. For info contact Dan.

Biking SIRs by Rich Christensen

Bicycle with fellow SIR's For info contact Rich at r christensen@comcast.net

SIR Branch 95 Golf by Brian Upton

Happy New Year to our 37 SIR golfers! Also, a warm welcome to new members Bill Drummond and Bob Carlson who are joining us for 2017. We look forward to many fun packed events and new experiences in the coming year.

We will resume playing golf at

Empire Ranch on Tuesday,

February 7, 2017. We will also

visit Mather and Wildhawk in February, followed with a short game tune-up at Bradshaw Ranch on Tuesday February 28, 2017. No cash prizes, but two dozen golf balls will be given away as closest-to-the pin prizes. Our annual Scramble tournament will be held June 28, 2017 at the Turkey Creek golf course in Lincoln. Four man teams will be assembled through a "blind All interested draw" process. participants will be requested to sign-up in advance so teams can be assembled. There will be free

golf balls and many cash prizes.

People who wonder whether the glass is half empty or half full miss the point. The glass is refillable.

Branch 95 Bulletin Updates

No Bulletin in December
Submit February Bulletin items by
Sunday, February 5, 2017
E-mail to:

SIR95Bulletin@jakowatz.net

SIR Websites

www.sirinc.org

Visit latest **SIR Happenings** at www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/

Branch 95

www.branch95sir.shutterfly.com

Birthdays

January

Bill Keane Bob Mello Mike Mohr Ed Newton Malcolm Ramsay Don Weick (PBS)

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The following was developed as a mental age assessment by the Harvard University School of Psychiatry. See if you can read each line aloud without a mistake.

- 1. This is this cat.
- 2. This is is cat.
- 3. This is how cat.
- 4. This is to cat.
- 5. This is keep cat.
- 6. This is an cat.
- 7. This is old cat.
- 8. This is fart cat.
- 9. This is busy cat.
- 10. This is for cat.
- 11. This is forty cat.
- 12. This is seconds cat.

Now go back and read the third word in each line from the top down

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Branch 95 Luncheon 2nd Monday of the Month

Empire Ranch Golf Club

1620 East Natoma Street Folsom, CA 95630 Telephone 916.817.8107 www.empireranchgolfclub.com

> Happy Hour 11:00 AM Lunch 12:00 noon

Today's Lunch TBA

Soda, Tea, Water & Coffee included

Beer & Wine Discounted

Special diet? Contact Rich, Joe or your Caller