

Gold Country Branch 95 2017 Elected Officers

Big Sir

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Al Kaiser **Ross Walter**

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SONS IN RETIREMENT

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BIG SIR - Rich Turoff

Thank you for the wonderful attendance at our annual June Ladies Day picnic. For the second year, it was held at Promontory Park in El Dorado Hills and we had 87 members, spouses, and guests. The weather was unseasonably cool but, just one week later, it was over 100 degrees. Under those circumstances, I guess we should not complain about the cooler than normal temperature since it was generally quite pleasant. I would like to thank our Board members support in helping to set things up prior to the starting time of the picnic. Because of their assistance, we were able to prepare our site with plenty of time to spare. I would be remiss in not extending our special thanks to Little Sir Joe Giacomini for the fantastic job he did in organizing this event. Don Cockcroft again led the popular bocce tournament and Joe reintroduced the bingo games for the ladies which was well received. I think we will keep these activities on the schedule for next year's event.

Our Board is just now beginning discussions regarding our leadership positions in Branch 95 for next year. This would include officers, directors at large and chairmen. Over the next month or so, we will be discussing our needs with our Branch 95 SIR members. For those who have not served in the past, I ask you to consider stepping up to do so for the upcoming year. Although the pay is lousy and cash bonuses are non-existent, these commitments are relatively short-term and the time taken to perform the duties of each position is fairly limited. However, one gets the satisfaction in knowing that, in some way, you helped our organization's efforts to grow and prosper. Without your support, SIR Branch 95 will not survive.

I hope you all had a happy 4th of July. It took time and the loss of many lives to obtain our independence and to gain the freedoms that we now all enjoy in our country.

LITTLE SIR - Joe Giacomini

Bill Battersby is a retired T.V. cameraman from the early 1960's. He is 81 years old and has worked on many T.V. shows that we are familiar with. He has worked on Gunsmoke, Gilligan's Island, Matlock, Hill Street Blues, Laramie and others. Bill will have many interesting stories to tell us and has some photographs to share with us.

Sand Traps

by Brian Upton, Golf Chair SIR Branch 95 Results 2017 Tournaments:

Empire Ranch - June 6

First: Jerry Nester Second: Bill Yeager Third: Tim Irish Fourth: **Jack May**

Mather – June 13

First: Jay Guertin Second: Mel Hallett Third: Tim Irish

Wildhawk – June 20

First: **Dennis Petersen Second:** Mike Wilke

Turkey Creek Scramble - June 28

Team of Simko, Yeager, Cockcroft & Brooks

Second: Team of Birgbauer, Ashley, **Guertin & Herdt**

Third: Team of Upton, Nester, May

& Gamble

Closest-To-Pin

Empire Ranch: **Dennis Callahan** Mather: Ken McCov Wildhawk: **Terry Starkel**

Turkey Creek:

Hole #14: George Simko won a \$30.00 cash prize & a dozen golf balls for his team Hole #10: Bob Birgbauer earned his team a dozen golf balls

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by Dan Cockcroft - The "Big Dill" For info on **SIR's 95** Pickleball contact Dan at 408-781-0714.

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Palino Putters by Dan Cockcroft 408-781-0714

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

SIR Branch 95 Golf by Brian Upton

Congratulations to that hardy group of golfers who turned out to play golf in a 106-degree heat at Wildhawk on Tuesday, June 20, 2017. No wimps in this group!

Tomorrow we play Diamond Oaks. Check-in is 7:15 AM with an 8:30 AM start. Contact Dennis Petersen if you wish to The following Tuesday, July 18, 2017 we play Wildhawk with a 7:45 AM Check-in. Then on Tuesday July 25, 2017 we visit Lincoln Hills to play the Orchard course. Check-in is 8:15 AM with a 9:00 AM start time. Sign-up sheets are avail-able at the checkin table if you wish to join us. Get ready for our Pick Your Partner <u>Stableford</u> <u>Tournament</u> Mather in August. See Dennis Petersen for details.

Lots of prizes!

Biking Sirs

by Rich Christensen

Come join fellow SIR's for a morning bike ride on the Folsom trails -Contact:

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Birthdays

July

William "Bill" McClanahan Ken McCov Ron Thoma

Membership

by Mike Mohr, Membership Chair

Welcome New Members: **Bob Vierson** Ray Fischer Current Active Membership = 82

Memoriam

Past Big SIR George Van Blyenburgh, Lt. Col. USAF (Ret) passed away 8/26/2016 at home under hospice care. Full military honors at the VA Cemetery, Dixon, California

Miss your emailed copy of this bulletin? If so, See Mike or Jon.

Don't you just hate it when you're feeling down in the dumps and someone says "suck it up"... Don't you feel like breaking their legs and telling them to "walk it off"?

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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

Beef & Chicken Taco Bar Beans & Rice

Soda, Tea, Water & Coffee included with lunch Beer & Wine Discounted Special diet? Contact Rich, Joe or your Caller