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ORGANIZATION WHOSE MISSION IS
TO ENHANCE THE LIVES OF OUR
MEMBERS THROUGH FUN
ACTIVITIES, LUNCHEONS AND
EVENTS WHILE MAKING FRIENDS
FOR LIFE."

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NOTE NEW DAY AND LOCATION FOR SIR Branch 95 MEETINGS 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH CAMERON PARK COUNTRY CLUB 3201 ROYAL DR, CAMERON PARK, CA 95682

BIG SIR - Kevin King



It's hard to believe that Labor Day, the traditional end of summer, is fast approaching. Kids are already beginning to return to school and the increased traffic that comes with that is starting to pick up. At least we'll get some traffic relief for the time being as many companies are taking it slow in having their employees return to the office. Now that companies see that employees can be reasonably productive working from home, I understand some companies are offering to let their employees do so on a "permanent" basis. I guess the next step is to sell-off some or all their buildings creating a glut in the commercial real estate market. It'd be interesting to see if those in the commercial real estate space are concerned about this trend. Perhaps that's a topic for a future presenter.

This continues to be a difficult year for many. While I expect that most of our members have returned to a somewhat normal life, there's still the threat of rising vaccine variants; extreme, prolonged heat events; the increasing number and duration of wildfires; and the drought to keep us up at night. Has anyone else noticed how scripted the nightly news has become? By the time they talk about the big four ongoing events, there's precious little time to report other things going on around us. What filled all that time before?

With the arrival of August, I'm excited to report that we will restart our monthly lunches on a new day and at a new venue. Thanks to Little SIR, Jay Muzio, in approaching and securing Cameron Park Country Club as our new home. While the 2nd Monday of the month has been the traditional day for our meetings for the past 40 years, I was pleased to see members being flexible and opting to proceed on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

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August Birthdays



Chad Barrow
Bob Birgbauer
Oliver Bohlman
Dan Cockcroft (PBS)
Bill Drummond
Raymond Guenther
Ken Mahar
Terry Starkel

Membership

by Mike Mohr, Membership Chair Active Membership – 68

Welcome New Member

Michael Wilke

Branch 95 General Meeting & Luncheon

Wednesday, August 11th Social Hour 11:00 - 12:00

Meeting-Lunch-Speaker 12:00 ~ 2:00...

CAMERON PARK COUNTRY CLUB

3201 Royal Drive CAMERON PARK, CA 95682

(530) 672-7900

Lunch Menu
Chicken marsala
Garlic mashed potatoes
Seasonal vegetable medley
House salad
Rolls

BIG SIR continued...

Because we are booking so late in the year, please be patient the first couple of months if we must move things around a little due to Cameron Park having prior bookings on our selected day. I expect this to work itself out over the coming weeks and as we book out into the future. Members will be notified well in advance of any changes each month.

Our annual picnic is slated for Monday, September 13th. Jay is busy trying to secure catering for that event. Caterer staffing issues and high prices are creating a few challenges for Jay that we haven't experienced in prior years. He continues to work through those issues and more information will come out as it's available

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 12th at 12 noon.

"Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having except as a result of hard work."

~Booker T. Washington

Little SIR – Jay Muzio

Greetings fellow Sirs. It looks like we have made it to the dog days of summer. And it looks like, with many fits and starts, we finally have a new home for Branch 95 monthly luncheons. I really encourage everyone to make a special effort to help us have a successful restart to our monthly meetings. The Cameron Park Country Club is a very nice venue and I think it will be a big improvement over Empire Ranch. Empire Ranch served us well for several years, but I think Cameron Park has a much larger upside to accommodate our group. The venue itself is beautiful, we will have our own separate room, and the cost of the luncheon is the most reasonable we found.

This month our speaker will be Michael Roberts. After some unforeseen circumstances, Michael agreed on short notice to speak to our group again. As many of you may remember, the last time Michael talked with us, he was just getting warmed up when we ran out of time. He had shared the history of Clarksville and the relationship between Clarksville and the transportation corridor upon which it depended. He was just getting started on the origins of El Dorado Hills and Cameron Park when we had to stop. This month Michael will continue with how El Dorado Hills and Cameron Park happened, and how local cemeteries weave their stories into this history through their permanent residents.

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SIR Branch 95 Golf By Terry Starkel

August. Nothing like playing golf when the temperature reaches the mid 90's to low 100's. But, looking forward, maybe September will be mid 80's. We can always hope. We can also hope for good Championship rounds in September. Yes, it is getting close to that time of the year when our Club Championship will be held. Will Shoji win it again? Will someone new win the trophy this year? Will a past winner lay claim to the trophy for 2021? We only have about six weeks to find out.

Because of work scheduled at Empire Ranch in September, our order of play will vary a little from past years (what else is new). The first week of September we will play at Diamond Oaks. The second week of the month will be at Mather and will be the first round of the Championship play. The second round of the Championship will be at Wildhawk, and the final week of the Championship will be at Empire Ranch.

Also, this year we may be able to present the awards to the Championship winners in person at a luncheon. Something we could not do last year. Sorry Shoji, I don't think you got the recognition you should have received from getting the trophy in front of everyone. Speaking of getting recognition, I hope to see all the golfers joining together at the Branch luncheons. I know there are still concerns about Covid, but there is an actual requirement that active members attend a certain percentage of the meetings.

NCGA will probably be sending out information in September or October about next year's dues.

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Speaking of El Dorado Hills history, take a look at these television ads for El Dorado Hills from the 1960s.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jDha_VKjyLo&t=23s

I feel very fortunate to have Michael Roberts with us again and I encourage all members to attend our first luncheon at Cameron Park Golf and Country Club to reestablish our fellowship and make new memories to nourish our wellbeing.

Annual Ladies Day Picnic

After not having a picnic last year, it will be great to get to the park for a day of fun with our spouses, significant others, and guests. It will be held on **September 13th at Promontory Park**. We will have sign-up sheets for various tasks and items to bring at the meeting.

Wine Tasting Interest Group

A new interest group is on the horizon—wine tasting. It will be structured to be held in members' homes with approximately ten attendees (wives and significant others included). Little Sir, Jay, will take on the initial responsibility of coordinating this interest group.

New Interest Groups

Currently we have 3 interest groups—golf, bocce and pickleball. Kevin sent out a survey to see everyone's interests in potential interest groups. You will see signup sheets for any group for which there were seven or more interested members at the meeting on Wednesday. Please know that we must have a coordinator/leader for an interest group before we can make it an official group.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Cameron Park Country Club.

Please join us at our new venue on Wednesday, August 11th at 12:00. See details on Page 2 above.

Jay Muzio

Little Sir

Sand Traps

by Terry Starkel, Golf Chair SIR Branch 95 Results 2021 Tournaments:

July 6 - Empire Ranch First: Tim Irish

Second: Peter Apel
Third: Dennis Petersen

Closest to the pin: Ken McCoy

July 13 - Mather

First: Tim Irish

Second: Steve Thomson

Third: Terry Privott Closest to the pin:

Dennis Petersen

July 20 - Wildhawk

First: Don Nicholson Second: Steve Thomson

Third: Jay Guertin

Closest to the pin: Mel Hallett

July 27 - Lincoln Hills

First Team: Don Nicholson

Mike Wilke Oli Bohlman Steve Thomson

Second Team: Terry Starkel

Pat Flynn Bill Yeager

Dennis Petersen

Third Team: Dan Cockcroft

Jay Muzio Jay Guertin Gary Haack

Closest to the pin: Team #1

Dan Cockcroft Jay Muzio Jay Guertin Gary Haack

2022 Branch Executive Committee Slate of Candidates --Big SIR Kevin King--

Following is our branch's 2022 BEC slate of candidates. Each position was uncontested. Note that the Little SIR position is unfilled and remains open for nominees. If unfilled, it'll be reported as such to State SIR.

Big SIR – Jay Muzio

Little SIR – OPEN

Treasurer – Tim Irish

Asst. Treasurer - Chad Barrow

Secretary - Terry Starkel

Asst. Secretary – Bob Carlson

Directors at Large – Joe Giacomini

Rich Turoff

Shoji Kumagai

Kevin King

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Member Attendance:

To maintain membership, a member is required to attend one-half of the regular Branch monthly luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period, unless the Branch BEC has approved different attendance requirements (Policy 25; Bylaw 18).

Branch 95 Golf continued...

Usually, they allow us to sign up new members at that time and the membership fee covers the rest of this year and the next year. I will let you know more when I know more.

Branch 95 Bocce Ball Activity



Given the interest in developing an active bocce ball activity within our branch, we plan to start having drop-in, pickup games on a regular basis. If interest continues to grow, we hope to eventually form teams and establish a branch bocce league with regular, seasonal competition. Bocce is open to members and their spouses/ significant others

If you're interested in playing or just want to check it out, please contact Dan Cockcroft at cockcroftdaniel@gmail.com. He will be sending out additional information later this month.

SIR Websites Branch 95

www.branch95sir.shutterfly.com

State SIR

www.sirinc.org

SIR Happenings

www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/

On the Lighter Side

A dietitian was once addressing a large audience in Chicago. "The material we put into our stomachs is enough to have killed most of us sitting here, years ago. Red meat is awful. Some vegetables can be disastrous, and none of us realizes the chemicals in our drinking water. But there is one thing that is the most dangerous of all and we all eat it. Can anyone here tell me what lethal product I'm referring to?". He scans the audience quickly and points

He scans the audience quickly and points to a man in the front row, "You, sir, why don't you give us your guess?"

The man in the front row lowered his head and said, "Wedding cake?"

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Please Submit September items by
Tuesday, September 7th, 2021
Please send to

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