



SIR BRANCH 161 NEWS

Celebrating our 26th year! *June, 2017*

A Nonprofit Public Benefit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement

Len Fadda, Big Sir

This month's message will be short and very sweet!!

A great time with everyone at our Mothers Day Luncheon and featuring "Elvis". Great music and fun, a little wiggle, pouring sweat, kisses and a scarf for the ladies!! Thanks for the turnout and looking forward to what our Little Sir is planning for the Ladies Xmas Luncheon in December.

Keep up the great effort by inviting your friends to be future members of Discovery Bay SIR Branch #161.

Please remember our next meeting is on Tuesday, June 6th, the first Tuesday of the month. You will be alone and lonely if you come on the 2nd Tuesday.

Big Sir Len Fadda



Little Sir, Larry Mensch June speaker

Our June Speaker will be Dr. Richard Pierce, who is a local chiropractor. He will talk about what we can do about our aches and pains. He has spoken before with us many years ago.



June luncheon menu

Chicken Cordon Bleu, Steamed Red Potatoes, Broccoli with Cheese, Cookies/Brownies, Breadsticks, Butter, Coffee and Tea.

Please note: If you have any special dietary needs, please email or call Bill Konold:

bkonold@comcast.net or tel. 634-2738 by Friday before the meeting to arrange this.

June birthdays

Ed Coats, Jack Disney, Jim Jenkins, Richard Lutz, Richard Meyer, Doug Pagano, Todd Ramsdell, Bob Rix, Walter Shipilov, Tom Snyder, Lowell Thomas, Dale Welin, Micheal White.

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2017 Branch 161 Meetings Calendar

01/17/2017	07/11/2017
02/14/2017	08/8/2017
03/14/2017	09/12/2017
04/11/2017	10/10/2017
05/9/2017	11/14/2017
06/6/2017	12/12/2017

ELVIS made our Mothers' Luncheon Special



Barbara & Little SIR Larry



Elvis Tribute Artist James Clark



Linda & Big SIR Len



Paula & Joanie with Elvis



Elvis & Marty



Anne & Jim



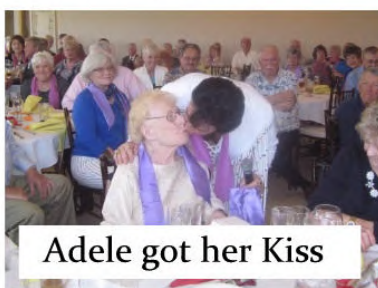
Cam got the first Scarf & Kiss



Linda & Eric



Maggie & Lowell



Adele got her Kiss



Rosie, Ila, and Adele



Evelyn & Mike



Faye & Dave



Janet & Mike

Photos courtesy of Bob Damico

The 24th Annual Al DiGiusto Boat Cruise and Luncheon - July 20, 2017

In 1993, 24 years ago, Al DiGiusto conceived the idea to plan a SIR event that would introduce some of the non-boating members and their wives to the world of boating in the Delta. The Sirs with boats invited members and their wives to ride with them on a cruise to one of many Delta waterfront restaurants for lunch. Al coordinated this successful event until his passing in 2005. The event continues in his honor.

This year's boat cruise and luncheon will be held Thursday July 20, 2017, and starts at the Boardwalk Grill in Discovery Bay. There will be sign-up sheets at the June and July meetings.



Menu Choices:

Chicken wrap served with a side of fresh fruit, Chicken Caesar salad (comes with garlic bread), Tri-tip Sandwich served with French Fries, or Fish and Chips.

Non-alcoholic beverage, dessert, tax and tip included for \$15.00 per person. Also house wine discounted to \$4.50 glass, and draft beer \$1.00 off (\$2.25 domestic, \$3.75 premium 16 oz. size).

Agenda:

Meet at the Boardwalk Grill by 11:30 a.m. (by car or boat). Lunch will be served at noon. After Lunch we'll load-up and cruise the bays. Or for those interested, talk to your Boat Captain, and go out on the river for a faster ride. Sign-up and meet your Boat Captain at his house and cruise to the Boardwalk. Or, walk or drive your car to the Boardwalk; we'll have boats / Boat Captains there to give you a ride after lunch. Sign-up deadline is July 13, 2017.

-----Detach & return this stub with payment-----

Your Names: _____ Phone Number _____

Your Menu choices:

Chicken Wrap _____ Chicken Caesar Salad _____

Tri Tip Sandwich _____ Fish & Chips _____

Make check out to / Mail to: R.C. Damico 1621 Gamay Ln. Brentwood, CA 94513

CHECK ONE:

____ Need a Boat Ride ____ Have a Boat Ride-Riding with: _____

____ Have Boat and need passengers (have room for ____)

____ Lunch only, not interested in Boat ride

SIR Activities, Dick Donald

We're always looking for new activities among SIR. If you have a suggestion for an activity not currently supported, let us know and we'll see if we can get a group going. You can contact me at 513-2849 or email DickDonald@Yahoo.com.



Following are some ongoing SIR activities, including details on current plans.

Wine Tasting, Dick Donald, 513-2849

The June wine tasting will be on Thursday, June 22nd, and will be hosted by Dennis Pachucki and Karen Capra. If you are interested in attending this very popular activity please contact Dick Donald by Friday, June 9th at the number above, or email DickDonald@Yahoo.com

Beer Tasting, Paul Elmer, 240-0543

Paul Elmer has taken over the beer tasting. The next tasting will be after the SIR meeting in June. Contact Paul or John Fry (783-5614) if you are interested in participating.

Pickleball, Bob Lyman, 628-7906

"If you are looking for more fun – come try pickleball"

Come join us and have loads of fun playing pickleball. Pickleball is a cross between tennis and ping pong, played with paddles on a small tennis-like court.

We have drop-in play at Cornell Park on the Discovery Bay public pickleball courts at 505 Discovery Bay Blvd. Play is on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m.

Beginners are always welcome, and an experienced player is designated on Saturdays to work with the new players. Just show up and we'll teach you the game on any of our play days. If you (or maybe you and your wife) would like a private introduction to the game, call me and I'll see that it happens.



Branch 161 on the web

If you haven't already done so, check out our SIR Branch 161 web site at:

www.sir161.org

to see more news, announcements, photos of branch activities, and links to various SIR Inc sites.

Membership, Tom Kirtley

Sponsor a new member

Branch members wishing to sponsor a new member should invite the prospect to a regular luncheon meeting as a guest.



If the guest wishes to become a SIR member, the sponsor should obtain an application form from Membership Chairman Tom Kirtley. Have the guest complete the form, and return it to Tom. The prospective member and their sponsor should attend the next regular luncheon meeting.

The Executive Board will vote on the membership, and the new member will be inducted immediately prior to the luncheon.

No new members were inducted at our May luncheon.

SIR Membership Requirements

Membership in Sons In Retirement is open to men retired from full time occupation, regardless of age, race, color or religion. See the last page of this newsletter for more information.

Bowling News, Paul Elmer

On May 1st, the 35th and final week of bowling for the winter season of the SIR bowling League, Let's Roll (Dottie Harris, Pam Jarvie, Doris Cole, Greg Mattus), the second half winners bowled the Bowling Buddies (Mary Branscum, Lorraine Burt, Fred Critchfield, Art Solomon) the 1st half winners for the right to be league champions.



Against all odds, after 3 games and total pin count, they ended in a tie. League rules state in that event they must have a 3 game roll-off to decide the winner. Both teams decided to end in a tie rather than bowl 3 more games, so both teams will have their names engraved on the Elwood Davis - Jim Heck Memorial Trophy. The rules have now been changed so that we will have a 3 game roll-off between the first and second half winners, not counting total pins, so that a tie cannot happen. Congratulations to both teams.

Final season high scores were: Mens scratch series; Bob Damico - 731, scratch game; Mike Quier -277, handicap series; Hoyt Huggins - 885, handicap game; Larry Mensch - 339. For the women, Marie Wilson had scratch series with 655, Rosie Elmer had high scratch game with 255, Lorraine Burt had high handicap series with 819, and Diane Davidson had high handicap game with with 308. Very nicely done folks!

The 2nd week of the summer session has been completed with Team 7 (Jan Finch, Shirley Madsen, Jack Bree, Jerry Marshall) in first place over Team 6 (Terry Damico, Diane Leonis, Eloise Gatson, Bob Damico) by only 1/2 game. We will see how this holds up for the remaining 10 weeks of this season.

Those bowlers who wish to bowl in the Reno tournament in August should start getting their teams and entries together so that we can escape any last-minute madness if possible. (It always happens though, that's what makes it fun!)

Paul

Stockton Ports Baseball Game, Dennis Pachucki

Open to all Sirs, their Ladies and friends.

Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2:09 PM against Modesto

\$28.00 per person, includes admission, food, ball tip or chicken, hot dogs, coleslaw, baked beans, soda/water

Directions:

I-5 North, Pershing Ave. Exit, right on Flora St., right on Orange St., left on Fremont St. Ball park is on the right. 404 West Fremont Street, Stockton CA 95203. (209) 644-1900

Please send checks to Dennis Pachucki, 2125 Sand Point Road, Discovery Bay, 94505, before 6/17/2017 so that I can then make arrangements for all Sirs, wives, ladies and friends to sit together. I will email our seating section on 6/19.

Mike Quier will be at the June Sirs meeting and will be graciously taking signups and checks for me, being I will not be there.

Email dpachucki@comcast.net, phone (408) 309-5206 if you have any questions.

Hope many are interested and will attend. I've been to them before and it's a lot of fun.

Golf News, Dale Welin

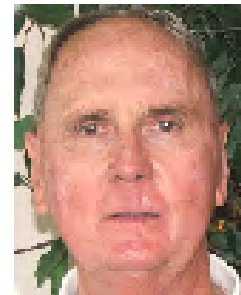
We had a good day at Manteca GC with 23 golfers from Branch 161. 3 teams won some prize money and there were 2 closest to the pin winners. The format was 1 best ball for hole #1, 2 best balls for hole #2 and 3 best balls for hole #3, and repeat on for the rest of the course.

1st place - 117 - Konold, Quier, Disney, Spann

2nd place - 118 - Lutz, Carmichael, Kirtley

3rd place - 125 - Welin, Fry, Macdonald, Pachucki

Closest to the pin winners were Onstad and Spann.



We welcome Jim Spann to the golf and this was his first event with us. Welcome.

Our June tournament is at Poppy Ridge GC and the entry info is below. We will be playing a combo course on each nine holes we play, which will measure about 2850 yards per 9 holes. Should be more fun for our group.

When: Tuesday, June 20, 2017

Where: Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, CA

Time: 9:30 am from the first tee.

Cost: \$51.00 for golf, cart, prize money

Format: To be announced

Cutoff: Entries are closed as of the end of the June 6 luncheon

You will notice that we arranged for a bit later tee time in order to get there on time with Vasco Road and 580. Please call Dale, e-mail Dale or tell Dale to get your name on the player list. Then send or get me a check, payable to Dale Welin, for the \$51.00.

If there are any questions, please call Dale at 516-9463.

Golf outing with the ladies, Mike Quier

September 20 and 21 golf at Castle Oaks golf club in Ione. Golf two days at Castle Oaks and two nights at Jackson Rancheria Casino. Golf is \$82.00 for both days and payable to Mike Quier by August 1.

You have three choices on your room: Deluxe King is \$99.00 a night; Junior Suite is \$189.00 a night; Executive Suite is \$309.00 a night. You pay directly to the Hotel. Contact Mike Quier by phone at (925) 470-0183 or email at michaelquier@att.net. We have 24 openings for golf, 20 King rooms, two Junior rooms, and two Executive rooms reserved. Hope to hear from you soon.

To make reservations at Jackson Rancheria, call 1-800-822-9466.

Travel, Dennis Pachucki

Various bargain-priced trips are available to SIR members through local travel agencies and other SIR branches. Look for the TRAVEL binder located on the entrance table at each monthly meeting.

For more information contact Dennis Pachucki at (408) 309-5206.



Dinner With The Ladies, Alan Jarvie

When: June 27, 2017

Where: Tao San Jin Restaurant, 5867-A Lone Tree Way, Antioch, CA

Time: Arrival & Cocktails starting at 5:00 pm, Dinner served at 6:00 pm

Menu:

- Flaming Po Po Platter
- Chicken Corn Soup
- Crispy Chicken with Two Sauces
- Kung Pao Chicken
- Broccoli Beef
- Honey Walnut Prawns
- Chicken Chow Mein
- Steamed Rice
- Non-alcoholic beverage included



Tao San Jin has worked with us to provide low-sodium (low soy sauce) menu choices; Of course, soy sauce is available at each table to allow seasoning to individual taste.

Cost: \$27.00 per person (includes tax and tip).

Deadline: Need your RSVP no later than June 22 – there will be envelopes at our General Meeting on June 6, 2017. Please send your checks to me in advance, made out to Alan Jarvie, and mail to 4121 Windward Court, Discovery Bay, CA 94505. My cell phone is 408-219-8240.

Tao San Jin is located in the Empire Shopping Center:

From Discovery Bay, take Hwy 4 to Marsh Creek, turn left and continue on Marsh Creek to the Bypass and turn right (north). Exit the Bypass at Lone Tree Way; go east (right) on Lone Tree Way and move into the left lane. Turn left at the SECOND stop light (Shady Willow Lane). Take the first right, go straight to the first Stop Sign and turn left, Tao San Jin will be on your left.

----- Please detach and mail with your check -----

Your Name(s):

Phone number:

Membership Requirements & Principles

Membership is open to men retired from full time occupation, regardless of age, race, color or religion. Member volunteers and staff administer and govern all branch activities. Nominal annual dues provide for these activities. SIR supports no outside cause or interest. We prohibit discussions of politics and religion or the selling of anything to any member. The only requirements to join SIR are that a man be retired, or semi-retired, and sponsored by an active member.

Attendance Policy *(Revised July, 2012)*

Luncheon meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of the month at the Discovery Bay Country Club, 1475 Club House Drive. (There are exceptions when we need to hold our meetings on a different Tuesday, so please check the Meetings Calendar elsewhere in this issue).

Social hour is at 11.00am and lunch is at noon. All members are expected to attend Luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness, absence from the Branch locale, or acting as a caregiver to a spouse or companion. If you cannot attend, you are required to notify the Attendance Chairman by the Friday prior to the luncheon meeting or you may be charged for the luncheon.

Regular members missing three consecutive meetings without notifying the Attendance Chairman, or missing more than five (5) meetings within the last 12 months for any reason (not counting May and December), will have their membership reviewed by the Branch Executive Committee (BEC), and may receive a notice from the BEC of their decision to consider terminating the absent Sir's membership.

Certification of attendance at another branch will be considered a credit to attendance.

Responsibility Clause

All tours, trips and other activities for or by Sons In Retirement, Inc. and its branches are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons In Retirement, Inc. and its branches do not assume responsibility for the well-being or safety of the participants, or in any matters pertaining to tours, trips, or other activities.

Reminders

Annual dues defray the administrative costs of running our organization. For those who have yet to pay their dues, be sure to bring \$20 cash or check (made out to SIR Branch 161) to the next meeting. Or you can mail it to our Treasurer, Bill Momaney.

Dress code for our meetings is "Country Club Casual", which means no jeans or denim, cutoffs or exercise shorts, shirts must have a collar, no tank tops or T-shirts, no flip-flops or thong type sandals. Please ensure that your guests are aware of this policy. Simple etiquette requires that hats be removed while in the dining room.

If you're unable to attend a meeting, our Branch is obligated to pay for lunches not served. Please email Bill Konold by the Friday preceding the meeting if you don't plan to attend.

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