



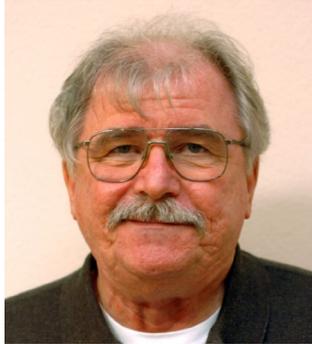
# SIR BRANCH 161 NEWS

Celebrating our 28th year! *April, 2019*

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

## Alan Jarvie, Big Sir

Our thanks to Suzan Ferrer for her terrific presentation on CPR and AED use; kudos to Roy Bristow and Al Sauva-don for arranging this very relevant, and very helpful, presentation to our group.



We've updated and expanded our Activity and Event list, the details can be found on pages 11 & 12 of this month's newsletter.

Tickets for our May 14th Mothers Day lunch will be available for purchase (\$25/person) at this month's - April 9 - luncheon meeting. Alternatively, mail a check (payable to SIR Branch 161) to Jerry Wiebe: 2071 Windward Point, Discovery Bay, CA 94505. Tel. 916 206-9221

Looking forward to seeing you all at the April luncheon.

## SIR OFFICER ELECTION

The Nominating Committee, composed of Past Big Sirs Len Fadda, Vince Vargas and Mike White, are searching for SIR Officers to serve in 2020. The election will take place at the August 13th meeting. Please contact any member of the Nominating Committee to run for the office of your choice.

**Next Luncheon Meeting: April 9, 2019.**

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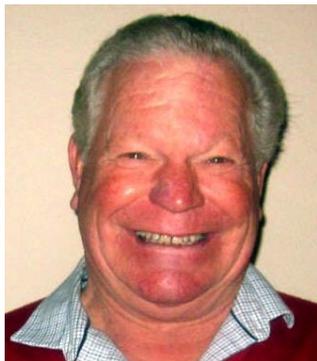
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## RV Trip, Randy Zierau

An RV trip is scheduled for June 10-11-12-13 at Seven Feathers resort in Oregon. We will be going to Canyonville, Oregon. This trip is open to guests. We will be staying at Durango in Redd Bluff on Sat June 8th and June 9th. The trip to Oregon is about four hours from Redding. Please contact me before May 1st if interested. I have all the details about the cost. Call Randy at 925-308-4640. We will be relaxing on our trip no pressure.

## Roy Bristow, Little Sir

Our sincere thanks to Suzan Ferrer, from CPR F.A.S.T. of Brentwood. Her presentation reminded us of the value and importance of CPR and AED's use in the private and public sector. Suzane afforded us a refresher course and demonstration on how easy it is for us to help in a time sensitive, critical situation. I am confident that her talk gave us all some positive things to think about. There is nothing better than to feel "You can make a difference". Web site: [www.cprfast.org](http://www.cprfast.org)



## April birthdays

Tom Biggam, Saul Gold, Ray Hutchings,  
Bill Konold, Ken Landoline, Don Rentzel,  
Norm Spencer, Paul Van Emmerik,  
Hal Whitlow, Randy Zierau

## April speaker

Back by popular demand, the April speaker will be a representative from the Contra Costa Sheriff's Department. Always a favorite, so don't miss this presentation.

## Entertainment for our Mothers Day luncheon

Singer/ Songwriter Bill Ramirez comes to us from Las Vegas, Laughlin, and Palm Springs. Now a resident of Discovery Bay. With a singing style of Frank Sinatra, Bill will share decades of music with you from the 50's to present day. So bring your dancing shoes!

## Saddle Creek Golf Outing, May 1-3

We still have a few spots left if you want to participate. See the registration form on page 10.

Contact Roy Bristow 925-481-8950 Or email:  
[Roybristow1@gmail.com](mailto:Roybristow1@gmail.com)



*Big Sir Alan Jarvie and Little Sir Roy Bristow present a Certificate of Appreciation to our March speaker*

## April luncheon menu

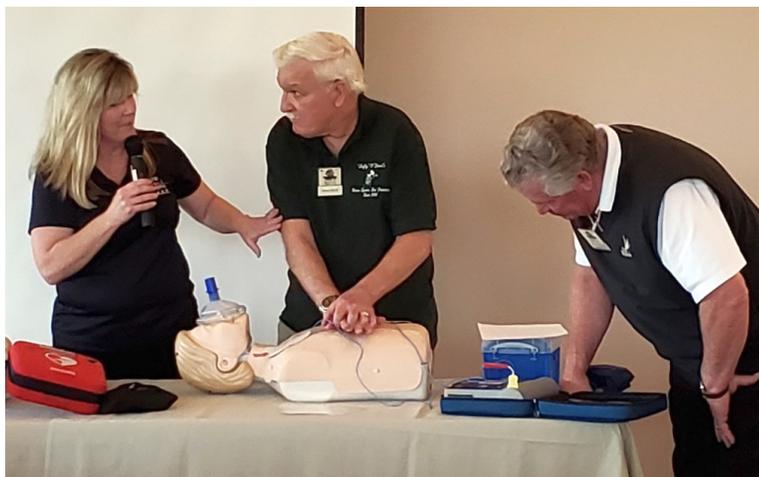
Breadsticks or Rolls & Butter, Chicken Piccata, Anna Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine.

Dessert: Cookies & Brownies

Includes Coffee and Iced Tea

**Important note:** If you have any special dietary needs, please contact Bill Konold by the Friday before the meeting.

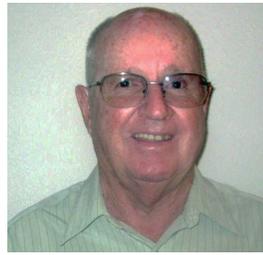
Telephone 925-634-2738 or email  
[bkonold@comcast.net](mailto:bkonold@comcast.net)



*Hands-on CPR training*

## Membership, Will Myers

Our March SIR meeting saw a great effort to increase our membership with four members bringing in guests. Mike Tomaselli brought in Dick La-Forge, Bob Bradley brought in Dennis Platania, Bob Leete brought in Garry Tabor and Big Sir Alan Jarvie brought in Paul Schmidt.



There were no new members inducted in March, so our membership remains at 150. Currently there are 117 Sir Branches still active (179 at one time) where in your Discovery Bay Branch has more members than 90 of these 117 existing branches; so keep up the great job in sponsoring new members.

In comparison, a much larger community, such as Brentwood Sir Branch 108, currently has dropped down to 46 members where at one time they had 118. This shows that even large community Branches must practice active recruitment to maintain a

membership size which will support the many activities men (and ladies) look forward to enjoy. Experience has shown that almost all of our new members, as well as those of other Branches, are sponsored by fellow Branch members. So success and survival of our Branch is up to all of us.

Again, I want to remind you to notify me whenever you plan to bring in a guest who is interested in becoming a member of our SIR Branch. This will allow me to prepare a guest package for him, and a free bottle of wine for you. A new member sponsor will receive a free lunch certificate. The member who sponsors the most members each year receives an additional free lunch certificate.

### SIR Membership Requirements

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

## 2019 Branch 161 Meetings Calendar

01/15/2019 (Note 1)	07/9/2019
02/12/2019	08/13/2019
03/12/2019	09/10/2019
04/9/2019	10/8/2019
05/14/2019 (Note 2)	11/12/2019
06/4/2019 (Note 3)	12/10/2019 (Note 2)

**Note 1:** Third Tuesday in January.

**Note 2:** Lunch with the ladies.

**Note 3:** First Tuesday in June.



*Big Sir Alan Jarvie presents John Lopp with a 25-year membership award*

## Bowling News, Paul Elmer

With only 8 weeks left of competition, Strike Force (Videle Marshall, Doris Cole, Linda Jensen, Greg Mattus) are in first place by only 3 games over Bowling Buddies (Lorraine Burt, Tony Tell, Don Odegaard, Fred Critchfield).



Two other teams are only 1 and 2 games back, respectively. The angst for 1st place seems to be coming into play as the season winner will have their names placed on the Elwood Davis - Jim Heck Memorial Trophy.

Season High Scores for the men are; Scratch Series; John Fry 714, Scratch Game; Mitch Wisinski; 279,

Handicap Series; Curtis Manning and Gary Leonis now has High Handicap Game of 290. Well done!

For the women; High Scratch Series; Vicky Reid; 6145, High SAcscratch Game; Rosie Elmer; 237, High Handicap Series; Mary Pitra-Fry; 715, and Videlle Marshall now has the High Handicap Game of 280. Equally well done!!

The tournament held in Concord on March 19th and 20th had only 54 bowlers attending, with no one from branches 161 and 108 attending. Carson City is rapidly approaching in April on the 8th-11th, with approximately 150 bowlers in competition. This is one of the tournaments that we all look forward to each year. This time we will have approximately 28 bowlers in competition. The results will be reported in the May 2019 Bowling News.

## Golf News, Dale Welin

The entry information is below for the 8th Annual SIR 161 Invitational at Discovery Bay CC. Please e-mail Dale to get your name on the player list, then send/or hand over your check to me at the April 9 luncheon.

**When:** April 15, 2019

**Where:** Discovery Bay CC

**Time:** 9:00 am shotgun, driving range available at 8:00 am

**Fee:** Three cost levels:

Non member of DBCC - \$49.00 includes golf, cart, prize money and range balls

Member of DBCC, no golf cart - \$20.00 includes golf, cart, prize money and range balls.

Member of DBCC and cart -\$4.00 includes golf, cart, prize money and range balls.

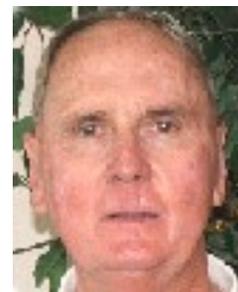
**Format:** 2 best balls of foursome

**Tees:** We will play brown tees (67.5/5587 yards)

**Cutoff date:** April 9, 2019 at the luncheon

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Dale and we will get you an answer.

Dale Welin



## 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 table in the Discovery Bay Country Club lobby at our monthly luncheons. Some of the available 2019 trips are listed below. For more information contact Dennis Pachucki.



April 24-28, 2019: San Antonio Spring Fiesta: 5 day tour includes, Fiesta Flambeau Parade, City Tour, Tower of Americas, River Walk, Alamo.

May 8-12, 2019: Golden Spike 150th Anniversary. Destination Salt Lake City .

May 10-16, 2019: Music Cities Tour . 3 nights in Nashville and 3 nights in Memphis.

May 19-26, 2019: America's Music Cities. Eight day escorted tour featuring New Orleans, Memphis and Nashville.

May 21 – June 1, 2019: Princess Alaska Cruise Tour: 7 day Land – 8 day cruise.

May 24 – June 17, 2019: Machu Picchu and Galapagos, add onto Peru Amazon Jungle.

June 3-18, 2019: Great Rivers of Europe: 18 day Grand Circle Cruise – Vienna to Amsterdam Transverse the Rhine-Mine-Danube Canal.

June 25-29, 2019: Ashland, Oregon & The Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

July 25 – Aug 3, 2019: Alpine Swiss Villages: Unpack twice, an In-Depth Look at the World Famous Bernese Oberland, Plus Swiss Confederation (National) Day Celebration.

August 8-16, 2019: U.S. and Canadian National Parks.

Aug 23-Sept 3, 2019: Crystal Alaska Cruise and Land.

Aug 23 – Sept 9, 2019: Princess Cruise Iceland and Norway on the Pacific Princess.

Sept 3-13, 2019: Princess Cruise Alaska – Grand Princess: R/T San Francisco.

Sept 7-22 2019: Taste of Bordeaux.

Sept 3-10, 2019. 7 day Crystal Alaskan Cruise

Sept 5-18, 2019 Tuscany & Rome Italy

Sept 20-28/2019 Captivating Cascadia – A Custom Nine Day Cruise/Tour

Oct 11-18, 2019 Niagara Falls and the Grand Hotel

Oct 13 – 20, 2019 Princess Cruise Pacific Northwest: 7 Day

Oct 18-25, 2019 Niagara Falls & Grand Hotel

## 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.

### **Bocce Ball** – Dick Donald – 513-2849

There is interest in restarting SIR Bocce Ball. We are currently finding a mutually agreeable time to play that doesn't interfere with the Country Club league play, which is Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons at 4 PM. If you would like to play, please let me know when you are available to play.

### **Wine Tasting** – Dick Donald – 513-2849

The next wine tasting will be at 5 PM on Thursday, April 25th. If you are interested in attending this very popular activity please contact Dick Donald at the number above, or email DickDonald@Yahoo.com.



*Wine tasters hosted by Gary and Linda Tucker*

### **Pickleball** - Bob Lyman – 628-7906

If you have ever played a racquet sport of any kind and have the energy to use those skills again, come check out pickleball. The first Saturday of the month is new player day with some snacks and coffee to enhance the experience!! It is a great game for both men and women; with lots of good social interaction and is the fastest growing sport in the country. The best courts in Contra Costa County are right here in Discovery Bay, at the Cornel Park pickleball courts. Current drop in play times are Tues, Thur & Sat at 8 am (weather permitting). Have any questions, check with SIR players Dennis Pachucki, Phil Talley, Greg Moran, Don Patterson, Terry Silva, Randy Zierau or Bob Lyman.

### **SIR Cyclers** - Jerry Wiebe - 916-206-9221

The SIR Cyclers ride weekly on Thursday mornings at 9:00 A.M. and includes spouse and friends. The Cyclers most commonly meet at Jerry's home in Discovery Bay for a moderate ride into Brentwood and back on the much improved Balfour Road that now includes the added safety of bicycle lanes in both directions all the way into Brentwood and beyond. Midway they usually include a stop to enjoy a cup of coffee and perhaps a snack and good conversation. Some weeks they travel to other nearby towns' bike trails that provide a new experience. A message is emailed weekly to inform interested participants of the riding plan for that week.

If anyone would like to join in, contact Jerry Wiebe by phone or email to be added to the weekly email distribution. We look forward to and encourage new members joining us on our rides.

### **Tennis** - Tom Snyder- 634-5289

Tennis is a new activity that was added this year. It is a mixed coed group similar to the pickle ball group. We play Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Discovery Bay community center starting at 8:00 am. Players rotate in so that everyone plays. It is an easy going tennis group that usually ends up at Starbucks afterwards. Sometimes, we go out for breakfast or lunch, especially if the weather is not good. Contact Tom Snyder if you have any questions.

# Dinner With The Ladies, Dennis Pachucki



**When:** April 23, 2019

**Where:** Texas Roadhouse, 2422 Naglee Rd, Tracy

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

**Menu Choices:** Salad, dessert & non-alcoholic beverage (soft-drink, water, coffee) are included.

**Entrees:**

- Sirloin Steak (8 ounce)
- BBQ Chicken Breast
- BBQ Ribs (Half Slab)
- Grilled Salmon(8 ounce)
- Grilled Shrimp (2 skewers)

**Side Dishes (Choose one per person):**

- Baked Potato
- Sweet Potato (baked)
- Fresh Vegetable Mix
- Seasoned Rice

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person (includes tax and tip)

**Deadline:** We need your RSVP no later than Wednesday, April 19 ; There will be envelopes at our General Meeting on April 9. Please send your checks to me in advance. Please make your checks out to Dennis Pachucki 2125 Sand Point Road, Discovery Bay 94505, 408-309-5206

**The Texas Roadhouse is located at 2422 Naglee Road, Tracy CA.** Take Hwy 4 west out of Discovery Bay, turn left at the traffic light for Byron Highway; continue south into Tracy (approximately 13 miles), and turn left at the traffic light for Grant Line Road. At the third traffic light (about 1 mile), turn left onto Naglee Road - you'll see the Texas Roadhouse on your right. Turn right at the next traffic light (~150 yards), then bear right into the Texas Roadhouse parking lot – the entrance faces Naglee Road.

----- Detach and mail with your check -----

Your Name(s):

Phone:

Your Menu choice(s):

**Entrees:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sirloin Steak | <input type="checkbox"/> BBQ Chicken | <input type="checkbox"/> BBQ Ribs | <input type="checkbox"/> Grilled Salmon | <input type="checkbox"/> Grilled Shrimp |
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**Side Dishes:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Baked Potato | <input type="checkbox"/> Sweet Potato | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetable Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Seasoned Rice |
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## SIR Sports Summary



Golden Gate Fields

March 29-Friday-11 am

mention SIR for:

valet parking, Turf Club (buffet), program  
use the Gilman Street entrance  
collared shirts & dress slacks  
no T-shirts, no shorts, no athletic shoes  
Branch leaders see me to get into the  
Winners' Circle

Oakland Coliseum-Battle of the Bay  
Oakland A's vs San Francisco Giants

August 25-Sunday-1 pm

save \$ 10+

deadline: June 1, 2019

send \$52/per person, plus

self-stamp return envelope

to Lee Moy, 127 N. Helm Ave, Clovis



Raley Field-W. Sacramento  
AAA Baseball

River Cats vs Tacoma Rainier

(SF Giants vs Seattle Mariners)

April 7-Sunday-1 pm; \$21.12; section 104

print voucher for parking

pre-game gathering (noon)-Knee Deep Alley

Plus

"Thirsty Thursday"-June 13, 7 pm, section 115

River Cats vs Omaha (KC Royals)

\$22 seats/minimum 20 tickets

this game deadline: May 28th



Chukchansi Park

AAA Baseball

Fresno Grizzlies vs Sacramento River Cats

May 18th-Saturday, 6 pm

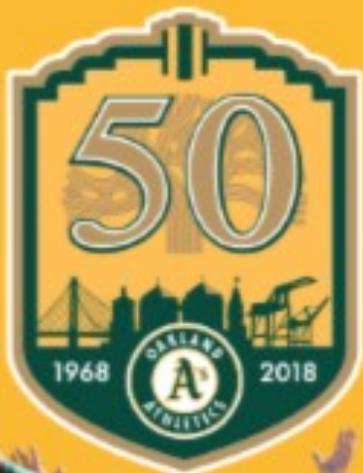
price & section not determined yet

Meet at Tioga-Sequoia Brewery-4:30 pm



Please consider  
wearing SIR apparel  
and/or your favorite team attire  
Meet-n-greet fellow SIR members

Lee Moy  
State SIR Sports  
[LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com](mailto:LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com)



**SIR Day at the Park  
A's vs Giants**

**AT THE OAKLAND A's**



**2nd Annual Bay Area Series  
Sunday, 1 pm, August 25th, 2019, Coliseum  
\$ 52, deadline June 1st, section 106-shaded**



**Check: Lee Moy, Amount: \$ 52  
Mail: 127 N. Helm Ave, Clovis, CA 93612  
include: self-stamp return envelope**

Lee Moy-(559) 709-9851  
State SIR Sports  
[LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com](mailto:LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com)

## SIR Annual Golf Adventure

Saddle Creek Golf Resort

May 1 – 3, 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DAY 1 GOLF (MAY 1)                    \$67/person    \_\_\_\_\_

DAY 1 PRIZE FUND                    \$5 / person    \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 1 DINNER                        \$29.95/person \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 1 BUNGALOW                    \$65/person    \_\_\_\_\_

(4) occupants

DAY 2 GOLF (MAY2)                    \$67 / person \_\_\_\_\_

DAY 2 PRIZE FUND                    \$5 / person    \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 2 APPETIZERS                    \$12.50 / person \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 2 DINNER                        \$29.95 / person \_\_\_\_\_

MAY 2 BUNGALOW                    \$65/person    \_\_\_\_\_

(4) occupants

**Deposit Due by March 12**

**Balance Due by April 9**

**Bungalows no refunds after April 15**

**Golf no refunds after April 15**

**Food no refunds after April 20**

For additional details contact Roy Bristow:

Cell (925) 481-8950

Email roybristow1@gmail.com

## Branch 161 Activities and Events

### **Bowling (\*):** John Fry or Paul Elmer

Sirs & Ladies Bowling league happens every Monday @ 9:30 am at Harvest Park Bowl. Our league consists of four-person teams, with approximately 20 teams, and consists of two seasons – a Winter session of 36 weeks and a Summer session of 16 weeks; both are sanctioned with the USBC. We bowl every Monday except for Holidays, and we always have room for more bowlers, seasoned bowlers as well as newcomers. During the year various SIR Branches sponsor Bowling Tournaments throughout Northern California; Check the state SIR website ( <http://www.sirinc3.org/sirBowling/index.html> ) for dates and details.

### **Golf:** Dale Welin

Golf is usually on the third Tuesday of each month from March through October, at various local courses. Also, there are a number of state-wide SIR-sponsored events during the year; Information can be found on the state SIR website, <https://www.sirinc2.org/golf2018> .

### **Away Golf Tournament (\*):** Roy Bristow

We also have a Branch 161 Away Golf Tournament each year. It is a mens and couples, tournament in which 42+ people participated in 2018. Last year it was at the Saddle Creek Golf Resort in Copperopolis, as it is again this year, May 1-3, 2019.

### **Pickle Ball (\*):** Bob Lyman

If you have ever played a racquet sport of any kind, and have the energy to use those skills again, come check out pickleball. It's a great game for both men and women, lots of good social interaction and the fastest growing sport in the country, with the best courts in Contra Costa County right here in Discovery Bay. Play is at the Cornell Park pickleball courts and current drop-in play times are Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 9am (weather permitting). Best time for learning is Saturday and we have all the equipment.

### **Wine tasting (\*):** Dick Donald

Monthly on the 4th Thursday, at different hosts each month. Each couple brings a bottle of wine and an appetizer to share. The bottle is covered so that the label is not visible and is poured in 1 ounce 'tastes', which is graded on a scale of 1 to 5 by each participant. At the end of the evening the bottles are uncovered and the scores are totaled to determine how each wine is rated.

### **Bike Riding (\*):** Jerry Wiebe

9:00 a.m. Thursday mornings, meeting at Jerry's address, 2071 Windward Point, Discovery Bay, for a weekly 13 mile ride into Brentwood, sometimes further on other routes, and when possible, a mid way coffee shop stop for a leisurely bit of group chit-chatting.

### **Tennis (\*):** Tom Snyder

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## **Branch 161 Activities and Events (continued)**

### **Dinner with the Ladies (\*):** Dennis Pachucki

SIR Dinner with the Ladies is a well attended event. We have 8 annual events at various local restaurants. Dinners are typically the last Tuesday of the month, 5:00 PM socialization and 6:00 PM dinner. All Sirs and ladies and their guests are welcome. Look for dates and locations in our Monthly newsletter.

### **Poker:** Dick Donald

SIR Poker is a weekly, low-stakes poker game. It's played every Monday evening at 6:30 through 9:30. Games are quarter-limit dealer-choice and the dealer antes a quarter for everyone. A schedule is made with a different host and six additional players each week. Everyone plays about seven times over two and a half months.

### **Annual Al DiGiusto Boat Cruise and Luncheon (\*):** Bob Damico

In 1993, Al DiGiusto conceived the idea to plan a SIR event that would introduce some of our non-boating members and their wives to the world of boating in the Delta. 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, and the event continues in his honor. This year's boat cruise and luncheon will be Thursday July 18, 2019, and starts at the Boardwalk Grill in Discovery Bay. There will be sign-up sheets at the June meeting.

### **Eric Jensen Memorial Collector Car Show:** Bill Konold

Our September meeting is also the SIR Collector Car Show. So polish that Collector Car of yours and bring it to the meeting. Any interesting car, old or new, is welcome. Got a new Hemi, a cool Corvette, or an old Mercury? Bring it to the September meeting and park with other SIR car enthusiast members. Tire kicking is both before and after the meeting, so arrive a little early, stay a little late, and enjoy the machinery.

### **Christmas Lights Boat Ride (\*):** Dick Donald

A mid-December evening ride with "Captain Morgan" on the waterways of Discovery Bay, to observe the Christmas light displays. We'll have an appetizer tray provided by the Boardwalk restaurant, and drinks will be available for purchase aboard.

### **Sporting Events (\*):**

The state SIR organization puts together special "SIR Days" for a variety of sporting events, such as A's & Giants games, Golden Gate Fields horse racing, Sacramento River Cats, AAA baseball, etc. Information on these events can be found on the state SIR website ([http://www.sirinc.org/siractivities/SIR\\_sports.htm](http://www.sirinc.org/siractivities/SIR_sports.htm)), and flyers are routinely included in our monthly newsletter.

### **Bocce Ball (\*):** Dick Donald

We are re-starting our weekly game, and we will once again use the Discovery Bay Country Club facilities.

### **Beer Tasting:** Temporarily on hiatus.

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(\*) denotes a co-ed and/or couples activity. Details & schedules of individual activities can be found in our Branch 161 monthly newsletter. Contact information for coordinators can be found in the current Branch 161 Handbook.

## Membership Requirements & Principles

*(revised 2019)*

Membership is open to men, regardless of age, race, color, or religion. Member volunteers and staff administer and govern all branch activities. Nominal membership dues help 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. Prospective members must be 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 newsletter).

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

### 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, Jerry Wiebe.

**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 or call Bill Konold by the Friday preceding the meeting if you don't plan to attend.

Bill Konold, [bkonold@comcast.net](mailto:bkonold@comcast.net)

Tel: 634-2738

### Your newsletter team



**Dennis Pachucki**

*Editor and email*



**Tom Jones**

*Paper copies*

**View SIR Happenings, the State SIR newsletter: <http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>**