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BIG SIR'S CORNER

Recognition of our Veterans

I blinked. I could have sworn that we rang in the new year just a few weeks ago, but alas we are headed full steam toward the end of another year. You know it's harvest time when the annual Mountain Mandarin festival comes to town (this year November 17-19 at the Fairgrounds). But it's also the month we celebrate our Veterans. This year the parade will be on Saturday, November 11 and, as usual, SIRS will have an entry. We thank Cliff Heitz who took over this project after Al Mattson fell ill. The theme of this year's parade focuses on Korean War veterans, so if you have served in this campaign, the parade organizers want to know about it. As usual, all SIRS veterans who wish to participate are welcome to ride on the float or walk along side. If you plan to participate, please contact Cliff at candl.heitz@att.net so that he has a head count and can coordinate our entry. Further details regarding this event are provided elsewhere in this newsletter.

We began our lunch program with a tribute to Roland Gaubert and Al Mattson, who both passed away in late September. Information on Al's Celebration of Life gathering is also contained elsewhere in this newsletter. Meanwhile, newly hired Chef Jeff prepared a delicious meal of Sausage, Scallop Potatoes, and the normal selection of fresh salads for 71 SIRS and two guests, Joe Rodrigues and Patrick Nelson. Patrick was visiting from Alabama, so the commute may provide challenging. Joe we hope will complete an application and join us. As always, if you will not be able to attend our next meeting, please contact Frank Michny at fmichny@gmail.com to let us know.

During committee reports, we congratulated Al Anderson and our Bocce Ball group for winning the Region 1 Round Robin Bocce Ball Tournament. They won over Branch 95 El Dorado Hills by one point! Talk about a cliffhanger! Golf and Bocce continue to play regularly, while the hiking group is preparing their next hike. Contact jackmeylink@yahoo.com for details on his next adventure and to reserve. Doug continues to report that poker is alive and well, and they play two days a week. Chuck at Science and Technology continues their monthly ZOOM meetings, this month featuring a presentation on "Efficient Appliances and Their Effect on the Environment" on October 11 (contact chvrooman@msn.com for the ZOOM code. Dining out is next planned for October 26, 5:00 P.M. at Pasquale's Ristorante in Old Town Auburn. Contact: steven@stevenlease.com to reserve.

We have several positions that need to be filled. Our immediate need is an Assistant Photographer. Please contact me if you wish to fill this opening, or one of several others we have available. If you wish to contribute to our group, we'll find a place for you.

We always think about those who are ailing and can't attend our functions. If you know of anyone who is in poor health, please send a quick e-mail to Peter Rau, our Sunshine Guy. Peter can be reached at prau99@hotmail.com.

Our speaker was Rebecca Torpie, Director of Marketing for Briar Patch Food Co-op. They just opened a store in North Auburn on Bell Road (where K-Mart was). She went over the concept of cooperatives and how they differ from retail outlets. They work extensively with local farmers. She also went over the membership plans available, including senior discounts! Thank you Rebecca!

Our next two BEC meetings will be Thursday, October 17, 2023 and November 16, 2023. They always start at 9:00 a.m. at Mel's Diner, 1730 Grass Valley Highway in Auburn and all are welcome to attend. Our next luncheon is Thursday, November 2, 2023. I will be selling tickets for the holiday luncheon (ladies invited) on December 7, so please be prepared to buy tickets at our November lunch if you plan to attend. I have to give a head count to the kitchen. The tickets are \$30 each, and we have a wonderful band to provide entertainment. And remember to reach out to a friend or neighbor and invite them to our lunch, where they can learn about our organization and participate in our growing list of activities.

Have a great month and Happy Thanksgiving!

Big SIR Glen Kramer



NOVEMBER CALENDAR

WE MEET the 1st THURSDAY of EACH MONTH @ THE AUBURN ELKS LODGE
11:00 am Social Hour
12:00 pm Noon Lunch

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

Nov 2 Luncheon Meeting 11:00 to 1:30 pm
Nov 10 Bulletin Material Due
Nov 16 Executive Board Meeting
9:00 am @ Original Mel's Dinner
1730 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn
All Sirs Welcome

LUNCHEON MENU

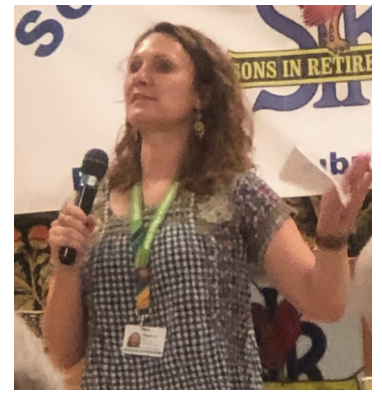
Turkey
GARDEN SALAD & DRESSING
FRESH VEGETABLES
BREAD & BUTTER
DESSERT
COFFEE & TEA

**If you will miss a luncheon
email Frank at
fmichny@gmail.com
or call him at
916-296-4158**

THE SPEAKER OF THE MONTH

The speaker for our November 2, 2023 luncheon is Andy Hayes – President of Auburn Interfaith Food Closet. The Auburn Interfaith Food Closet serves individuals and families living in Central Placer County, from Loomis to Emigrant Gap and Lake of the Pines to Foresthill. AIFC provides enough groceries to make 12 meals for each member of the household. Guests may visit the Food Closet once every month. Our Home Delivery Program delivers groceries once a month to low income homebound seniors. AIFC provides about 25,000 meals per month.

Little Sir Richard Sale



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Great presentation.

Hello Hikers,

Great weather for hiking this time of year. In September I was the only hiker at Hidden Falls. I didn't have any yes respondents but decided to make the hike anyway. Hiked the trail we have taken in the past to the falls and then crossed the bridge and walked the River Otter loop - another mile that I honestly could have done without. Nice views though. Very few people in the park on a Thursday morning so hiking was easy.

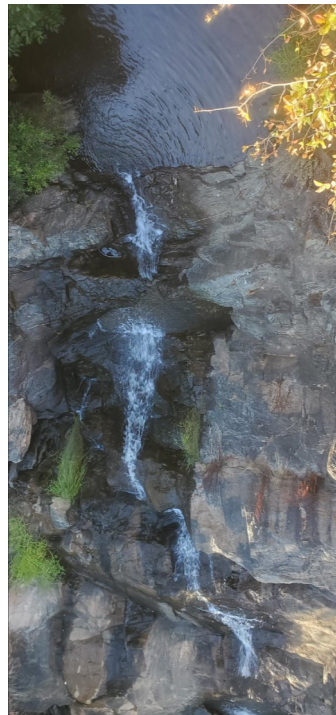
Getting ready for October hike and will report next month on Gerle Loop trail along the South fork of the American River. Because of the timing of this bulletin and our hikes I will try to look ahead one month so there is better warning on hikes coming up.

The plan for November is to hike the Independence trail which is by the South Fork of the Yuba and about 6 miles out of Nevada City on Hwy 49. There are two hikes each a little over four and a half miles but very level. I will let you know if we will hike the East or West branch.

If you want to be included on the emails I send that give times and additional details on the hikes you can send me an email at jackmeylink@yahoo.com

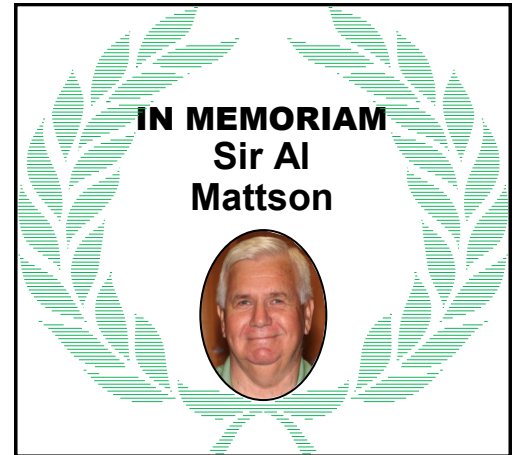
At this times our hikes are the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Hidden Falls



Until then, Happy Trails
Jack

River Otter



IN MEMORIAM
Sir Al
Mattson

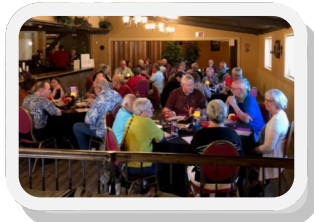


IN MEMORIAM
Sir Roland
Gaubert

DINING OUT

Dining out is next planned for October 26, 5:00 P.M. at Pasquale's Ristorante in Old Town Auburn. Come join a fine meal with good friends.

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Veterans Day - November 11

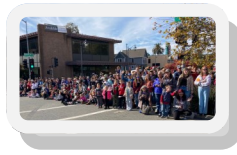
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For SIR Happenings use the SIR State Website <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>



AUBURN VETERANS DAY PARADE

1. We will have an entry in the veterans day parade for all our veterans and similar to what AI has had in previous years. It is on Saturday, November 11, at 10:50 am. Please be there between 9:30 and 10:00 am to help with decorations.
2. They have not yet made assignments for parade entries - should have that info next month.
3. We need to see if we have any Korean veterans in the club and get their name as they will be grand marshals.
4. There will be a free breakfast from 7 - 9:30 at the bank parking lot at the top of Lincoln Way.
5. The parade will end at the Armory Building where complementary snacks will be served.
6. Please email me (candl.heizt@att.net) so that I can get a head count. I think that is all for now, If there are any questions, note and I will try to answer them at our November meeting.

Thanks, Cliff



Branch 37 Bocce Ball group wins the Region 1 Round Robin Bocce Ball Tournament



CONGRATULATIONS



How Retired People Have Fun

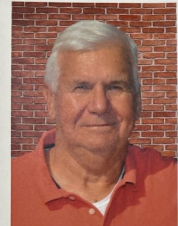


Happy Birthday To Sirs

- David Barbara
- Richard Cortez
- Kim Douglas
- Roy Lambert
- Leroy Larson
- Steven Laskey
- Gary Lillard
- Charles Nelson
- John Warren



CELEBRATION OF LIFE



FOR

AL MATTSON

SUNDAY OCTOBER 22, 2023

12pm

AUBURN ELKS LODGE

195 PINE STREET, AUBURN CA

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ATTENDANCE

OCTOBER REPORT

Sirs Present 71
 Guests 2
 Speaker 2
 Visitors 0
 Excused* 11

Attendance total: 75
 Total Member count: 137

*If you cannot attend, contact:
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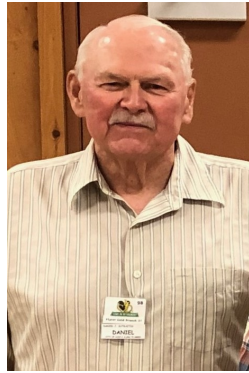
SIR ATTENDANCE RULE:

A member shall be required to attend one-half (6) of the regular Branch monthly luncheon meetings within the previous twelve (12) consecutive month period. Certified attendance at another Branch Meeting will be considered as a credit to the attendance record.

"NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored 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 Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities"

BRANCH 37 ACTIVITIES (contact chairmen for information)

ACTIVITY	CHAIRMAN	PHONE	DATES AND TIMES
Coordinator	Steven Lease	916-899-4026	Meets during Luncheon social hour.
Bocce Ball	Al Andersen	916-652-5656	Monday; 9 am @ Recreation Park
Asst. Bocce Ball	Gary Willett	530-367-6175	
Book Exchange	Ron Mussulmann	805-540-4480	Every Luncheon during social hour.
Dinning Out	Steven Lease	916-899-4026	Monthly
Golf-Friday Grp.	Jim McCrary	530-878-0440	Fridays 9:00am @ Black Oak
Golf-Tuesday Grp.	Gene Vogel	530-889-2882	Tuesday 10:30am @ Black Oak
Hiking	Jack Meylink	530-305-9112	Monthly
Money Matters	Chuck Van Dam	530-823-2667	Wednesday before Luncheon, 3:30 pm Elk's lodge
Poker	Doug Perry	916-824-2225	Tuesday & Friday afternoons
Asst. Poker	Jack Cary	530-878-0310	
Science & Technologies	Chuck Vrooman	530-885-1335	2nd Wednesday;10:30am via Zoom
Veterans Parade	Al Mattson	530-852-2500	Yearly Nov. 11th@ Auburn
Web Master	Chuck Vrooman	530-885-1335	On going



Branch 37 Opportunity Drawing winners

The winners at the October Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize Daniel Sutkaitis, 2nd prize Bob Huntington, and 3rd prize Gene Copelan



Sirs with birthdays in October who attended.

ALL PHONE NUMBERS LISTED ARE IN AREA CODE 530 UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED