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BIG SIR'S CORNER

Ringin in a New Year

Greetings to all. We hope this month's bulletin finds you safe and dry from the heavy weather we have been experiencing. When Gene was asked to report on golf, his response was accurate and succinct, "wet"! Seems it's feast or famine these days.

Speaking of feasts, we had a great January luncheon with 75 members gathering to consume a delicious meal consisting of meat loaf, potatoes, salads, and dinner roll. Chef Scott never disappoints. We appreciate the 28 members that notified us in advance they couldn't be in attendance so that we were able to provide a reasonable estimate of attendees for the kitchen staff. We ask everyone who won't be in attendance to notify us in advance.

We welcomed four new members: Marty Diner, Gary Lillard, Tom Gavron and Lynn Miner (Lynn was not able to attend). We also hosted two guests: Rich Cortez and Bob Berry. Both have turned in applications and they will be reviewed at our next BEC meeting.

Our speaker, Lisa Botwinik from the Placer County District Attorney's Office, provided an overview of their function, and the challenges the office deals with on a day-to-day basis. Thanks to Steve Clyatt for volunteering to be our profiler, starting off with a profile of Rick Sale, our Little Sir. We have placed this feature back into our regular lunch program.

Our next BEC meeting will be Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at Mel's Diner, 1730 Grass Valley Highway in Auburn. In addition to our regular business, we will be discussing ways in which we might get the word out about our organization. The State recently conducted a series of workshops on the subject, and we are going to be exploring what might best work for our branch. As always, any member is welcome to attend. Should this bulletin not reach you in time, we always meet at Mel's the third Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

Looking a bit further ahead, our next luncheon is Groundhog Day, Thursday, February 2, 2023. We will see what Punxsutawney Phil has to say about the next six weeks. February is also the month that love is celebrated. Show your friends and neighbors some love by inviting them to our luncheon.

With outdoor activities a bit soggy, might I suggest you take a peek at what our Science and Technology group offers. They meet by zoom on the second Wednesday of the month, generally at 10:30 a.m., so grab a hot beverage and stay warm while learning about the wonders of the universe. Al has distributed the link to the January meeting. Our Activities Coordinator, Steve Lease, is also working on new activities. He may be "cooking" up some announcements soon.

We welcome your feedback. Comments are always welcome. Contact me at kramer4112@sbcglobal.net any time. Have a great month!

Big SIR Glen Kramer



FEBRUARY CALENDAR

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

February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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Feb 2 Luncheon Meeting 11:00 to 1:30 pm
Feb 10 Bulletin Material Due
Feb 16 Executive Board Meeting
9:00 am @ Original Mel's Dinner
1730 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn
All Sirs Welcome

LUNCHEON MENU

Gumbo & Creole Chicken
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 February 2, 2023 meeting will be Bill Poindexter, Editor of the Auburn Journal. Bill began his career with his first byline at 19 years old working at a twice-weekly newspaper in Manteca and worked his way up to a metropolitan daily through the years. Mr. Poindexter was a sports editor at the Modesto Bee and was an assistant City editor at the Stockton Record. He most recently worked for the Sacramento Bee as a print editor, prior to taking on his current assignment at the Auburn Journal.

Richard Sale Little Sir

NEW MEMBERS! WELCOME TO SIR'S BANCH 37



Tom Gavron and his spouse Robbin live in Colfax. He was a Carpenter who retired in 2021. His main interest is golf.

Welcome Tom



Marty Diner and his spouse Nicki live in Auburn. He was a Clinical Psychologist and home builder who retired in 2021.

Welcome Martin



Gary Lillard was a Deputy Sheriff and State Correctional Officer who retired in 1998. He is interested in golf, Computers and Tech, and Poker.

Welcome Gary



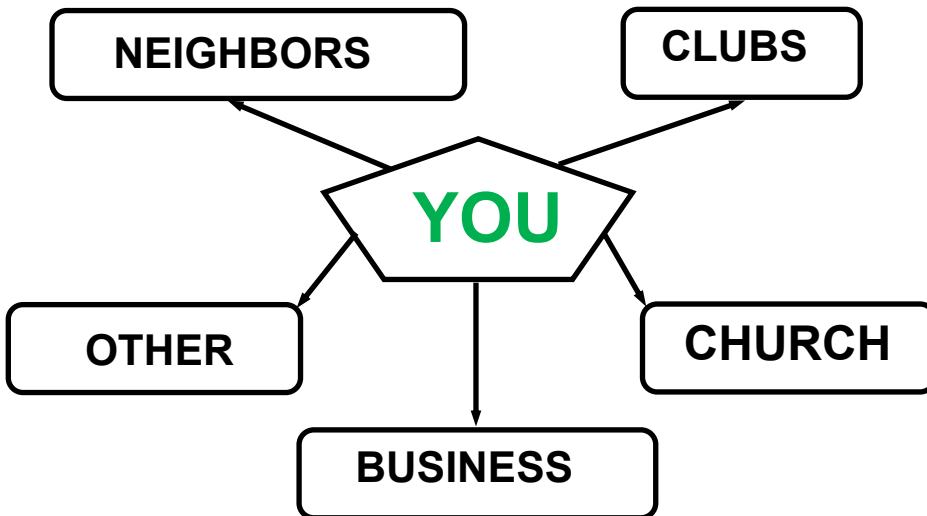
The speaker was Lisa Botwinik, a Supervising Deputy District Attorney with the Placer County District Attorney's Office. Lisa currently supervises the District Attorney's Office's Community Outreach Unit that oversees community outreach, community prosecution, and collaborative courts. She spoke on the role of the District Attorney's Office and recent changes in the law. Great presentation.

Attention SIR members:

Members who pay for a quest lunch can get reimbursed if quest joins.

MEMBER SOLICITATION CHART

FIND, SELECT & INVITE



SIR Director Jimmy Mullenix & SIR Assistant Secretary Bill Gray sworn into the BEC. Congratulations!

Visit the SIR Branch 37 web site at <http://sirbranch37.weebly.com/> and For SIR Happenings use the SIR State Website <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

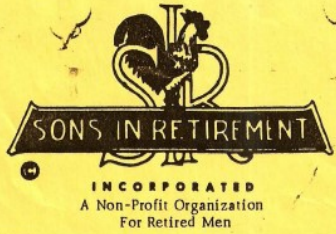
A LITTLE BRANCH 37 HISTORY

Branch 37 first published Bulletin

Happy Birthday To Sirs

Cal Conley
Bruce Gregory
Leonard Jeffrey
Jorge Larrosa
Ken Machold
David McBrayer
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Terry Noziska
Peter Politi
Joe Porata
Thomas Smith
Oscar Thompson
Kevin Tiernan
Henry Tukloff

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SUNSHINE	Robert Towers	663-2333
TOURS	G. N. Chittenden	885-4734

ATTENDANCE RULES SEC. 15
 "If a Regular Member fails to attend three consecutive regular luncheon meetings without an acceptable excuse, or fails to notify the Attendance Chairman, his membership may be subject to termination."

PLACER GOLD BRANCH #37
 Meets 12:00 Noon -
 Second Thursday
 Next Meeting
 THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 1973
 COUNTRY BOY INN
 Guest Speaker
 RAY J. POLK

RAMBLINGS --
 Retirement is an opportunity for man to live, not to be put on the shelf. It is a beginning, not an end. Retirement presents man with a chance to do something worthwhile, lasting and satisfying. A period to find involvement in those projects that were perhaps denied when the rush of the rat race was so important.

THE BULLETIN EDITOR SPEAKS --
 This, our first Bulletin has pointed out the need for a system that will permit the speedy gathering of information that will be of interest to the Branch Membership. We feel that we have made progress in this direction, however, we must beg your indulgence for any and all errors, omissions or oversights in this our first effort. We promise to try harder next month. All Activities Chairmen are urged to have their copy, for inclusion in the Bulletin, ready by the evening of the last Thursday of each month. Telephone 885-9690 with your copy or mail it to Bulletin Editor, P. O. Box 1522, Auburn, Ca 95603.

This Grass Valley Bell Ringer has spent 35 years collecting and researching Bells. He has collected 608 Bells and is truly a competent representative of the American Bell Ass'n, as well as a member of Canadian and English Groups.

Become involved in Sons in Retirement, make new friends, enjoy new activities, be of service to your fellow man, live a little, live a lot, live longer, let the other man sit on the sidelines but let Sons in Retirement have a real concern for service and enjoy the best years of our lives while we make this a better place for our having been there.

Very good for Bulletin

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROSTER FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1973

CAMPBELL, GEORGE	HOUGHTON, PHIL H.	LINEAWEAVER, FEINLEIGH	WALLACE, ROBERT V.
CAMPBELL, PAUL C.	KOVARIK, FRANK P.	STERNBERG, HARRY	WITTE, HERMAN J.
CHAUSSEE, A. G.	LANGNER, RICHARD	PATRICK, SAINT	
GLEISBERG, A. E.	LARSON, EARL	TOWERS, ROBERT W.	

"THE BIG SIR SEZ"

At last we have gone to press with the first issue of our Bulletin. For this we are indebted to Sir Cecil Lonergan, whose efforts have made it possible. The Bulletin will be an asset to our Branch we are sure, or it will enable us to better inform, not only our membership, but that of the other branches, of our activities. Sons in Retirement has experienced a remarkable growth. From a small beginning by the four founders, meeting together for luncheon, we have grown into an organization of 41 Branches with a membership of well over 9300. Branch 37 has contributed much to this rapid advance, celebrating our first birthday on February 9th with a membership of 130. The attendance at our meetings has been most gratifying despite the inclement weather of the past few months. Good fellowship, good programs and good food can be enjoyed at each meeting, so please attend and bring a guest, for only you can contribute to the growth and success of our Branch. See you there.

ROSTER OF NEW MEMBERS that have joined Placer Gold Branch #37 this month. Welcome men.
 Erwin (Cap) W. Baxter, Charles (Chuck) C. Diehl, Henry Gietzen, David F. Feden

REMOVE FROM ROSTER --
 It is goodbye to Garfield Benson that new resides in Roseville and Herman Bleher that has forsaken Auburn for the peninsula south of San Francisco. Sorry to see you go men - please drop in on us any time you are up our way. *Clyde Martin also*

GARDEN Chairman "Blink" Sharman is working up a one day Bus trip to Berkeley for a conducted tour of the U. C. Botanical Gardens, and the Tilden Park Botanical Garden. Arrangements are being made with a May 10th-20th date projection. More later as plans develop.

GOLFERS Chairman "Britt" Chaussee is setting up a home and home meeting with Branch #11 in Grass Valley. As soon as predictable weather permits, Britt will advise those that have signed up. Any others that are interested in playing should phone Britt, 885-6043.

SUNSHINE Chairman Bob Towers asks that anyone knowing of a sick or otherwise indisposed member, contact him at 663-2333 or Frank Kovarik at 663-3698. It is nice to report that Claude Jones, 885-8263 is on his feet again for the first time in several weeks and would appreciate a phone call. M. A. McDougal, 885-0595 is up and around again after being laid low as a result of serious burns.

TOURS Chairman Giles Chittenden is trying to set up a trip to Cal-Neva for later this month. This will be a one day trip on a big Scenic Cruiser Bus and the deal will be the Bus ride plus \$3.00 cash, and a \$2.00 meal. All this for only \$4.00 per person. Giles needs 38 members and friends to make this trip possible. Yes you can bring your wife --- or ---

TOURS DECLARATION: "All tours and other activities arranged for Sons in Retirement, Inc., or its branches or committees are for the convenience and pleasure of members and guests who desire to participate. However, Sons in Retirement and its branches do not assume any responsibility for the well-being or safety of the participants or passengers or their property in any matters pertaining to said tours and other activities. Members and guests participate at their own risk and should not expect to hold Sons in Retirement, Inc., or any of its branches responsible in any way."

Happy Valentine's Day



Big SIR Gary Willett receiving Recognition Plaque for his 2022 service.

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 Area 2 Governor TBD

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 Asst. Treas. Henry Tukloff

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Know of an ill Sir or spouse we will send a card, call
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MEMBERSHIP

To withdraw, change address, or report a deceased member, call
Bill Gray 305-3126

ATTENDANCE

JANUARY REPORT

Sirs Present 75
 Guests 2
 Speaker 1
 Visitors 0
 Excused* 28

Attendance total: 78

Total Member count: 150

*If you cannot attend, contact:
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916-296-4158
E-mail: fmichny@gmail.com

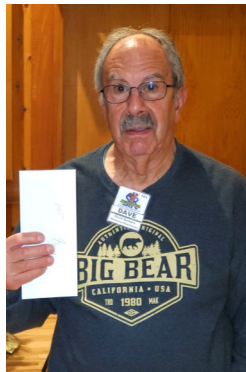
SIR ATTENDANCE RULE:

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.

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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.
Science & Technologies	Chuck Vrooman	530-885-1335	2nd Wednesday; 10:30am via Zoom
Golf-Friday Grp.	Jim McCrary	530-878-0440	Fridays 8:30am @ Black Oak
Golf-Tuesday Grp.	Gene Vogel	530-889-2882	Tuesday 10:30am @ Black Oak
Poker	Doug Perry	916-824-2225	Tuesday & Friday afternoons
Asst. Poker	Jack Cary	530-878-0310	
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 January Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize David Barbara, 2nd prize Bill Gray, and 3rd prize Richard Fisher



Sirs with birthdays in December & January who attended.

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