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## SIR Branch 37 Bulletin

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### BRANCH 37 OFFICERS

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*"Celebrating Branch 37's 50th year of serving Placer & El Dorado County Retired & Semi-retired Men"*

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## BIG SIR'S CORNER

Happy December fellow SIR Members.

We had a great November luncheon with 75 attendees, no guests and one new member plus our speaker. Welcome to new member Dave McBrayer. Thanks to those that let us know you would not be attending. The Elk's cook and staff provided an outstanding Thanksgiving meal of ham, potatoes, and all the trimmings that was enjoyed by all. 😊

At the last luncheon, we discussed the option of removing the vaccination requirement from our meetings starting next year. The county, state and federal requirements have been lifted and the SIR state group has lifted their requirements, leaving it up to the branches. The overwhelming majority of attendees saw no problem with that. This issue will be discussed at our BEC meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup> and a decision made. If we remove the requirement, we will retain the database data in case things change in the future and we need to reinstitute the requirement.

Officers of the SIR branches and SIR state officers are involved in forum meetings to develop ideas and options for preserving the future of the SIR organization. We have an ongoing attrition rate of about 4% per year. If that continues, we will be lucky to survive past 2030 or so. So please think about this and submit any and all ideas and/or suggestions to myself or any BEC member. Thank you!

We do need to continue to find ways to increase our own membership and add additional activities. For that we need your help. What do YOU want to do??? Go out to lunch? Go visit an interesting facility? Start a bowling league? You name it. Let's give it a try! 😊

*I wish to thank everyone for your support over the last year. It has been my pleasure to serve as your Big Sir for 2022. Please continue supporting your branch leadership and plan to step up to help when asked.*

Our Christmas party is December 1<sup>st</sup>. If you still wish to purchase tickets, contact Sir Glan Kramer at: (510) 377-4168.

The next regular Luncheon will be on January 5<sup>th</sup> to welcome in the New year.

*Let's all remember NOT to keep the SIR organization a secret. Let your family, friends, neighbors, etc., know about us and bring them to the next luncheon. Should any of you have ideas for SIR, our Branch, new activities, or anything, please let myself or the BEC know. This is your organization and we value your input.*

**Big SIR Gary Willett**



## DECEMBER CALENDAR

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

## December 2022

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	31

Dec 1 Ladies Luncheon Meeting 11:00 to 1:30 pm  
Dec 10 Bulletin Material Due  
Dec 15 Executive Board Meeting 9:00 am @ Original Mel's Dinner  
1730 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn  
All Sirs Welcome

### LADIES LUNCHEON MENU

Medallions of Beef and Salmon  
GARDEN SALAD & DRESSING  
FRESH VEGETABLES  
BREAD & BUTTER  
DESSERT  
COFFEE & TEA

**If you will miss a luncheon email Frank at [fmichny@gmail.com](mailto:fmichny@gmail.com) or call him at 916-296-4158**

# AUBURN VETERANS DAY PARADE

Our entry in the 2022 Auburn Veterans Day Parade, was our sixth year. We all had a great time. we had 20 people in our entry. All had a great time.

All participating Veterans receive a commemorative medal. The parade ended at the Fairgrounds where we all had free pizza, chips, drink & cookies for lunch which were provided for all participants and spectators.

We used Sir Mattson's truck and trailer again this year which he had made new Branch 37 Banners. Thanks Al, once again, you did a great job for Branch 37 and the parade.



The speaker for our November 3, 2022 meeting was Don Wolfe. from the Auburn Aviation Association. AAA began in 1984 as a small group of pilots and airport enthusiasts dedicated to aviation safety, friendship and community involvement.



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/>





# Happy Birthday To Sirs

- Robert Bells**
- Don Bull**
- Richard Caruso**
- Terry Cooney**
- Vince Dewitt**
- James Fuller**
- James Garrett**
- Gerald Hamilton**
- Tom Hart**
- William Hopper**
- Richard Johnson**
- Mark Kahl**
- Ron Means**
- Richard Sale**
- Edward Smith**
- Dan Sokol**
- Robert Souza**
- Gary Willett**



**NEW MEMBER!  
WELCOME TO SIR'S  
BANCH 37**



Dave McBrayer and his wife Karen live in Auburn. He retired as a Certified Engineer from Siemens in Feb. 2010. Dave served in the U.S. Navy. His interests include Model Railroading, Amateur Radio, and Wine Tasting.

**Welcome Dave**





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## STATE OFFICERS

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## SUNSHINE

Know of an ill Sir or spouse we will send a card, call  
**Cal Conley 209 559-7737**

## MEMBERSHIP

To withdraw, change address, or report a deceased member, call  
**Pete Politi 885-6919**

## ATTENDANCE

### NOVEMBER REPORT

Sirs Present 79  
 Guests 0  
 Speaker 1  
 Visitors 0  
 Excused\* 19

Attendance total: 80

Total Member count: 149

\*If you cannot attend, contact:  
**Frank Michny 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.

"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	TBA		Meets during Luncheon social hour.
Bocce Ball	Al Andersen	916-652-5656	Monday; 9 am @ Recreation Park
Book Exchange	Ron Mussulmann	805-540-4480	Every Luncheon during social hour.
Science & Technologies	Chuck Vrooman	885-1335	2nd Wednesday; 10:30am via Zoom
Day Road Trips	TBA		Various TBA
Dining Out	TBA		Various TBA
Fishing	TBA		Various TBA
Golf	Jim McCrary	530-878-0440	Fridays 8:30am @ Black Oak
	Gene Vogel	530-889-2882	Tuesday 11am @ Black Oak
Poker	Doug Perry	916-824-2225	Tuesday & Friday afternoons
Theater	TBA		Various TBA



### Branch 37 Opportunity Drawing winners

The winners at the November Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize John Warren, 2nd prize Bill Barron, and 3rd prize Bill Gray



### Sirs with birthdays in November who attended.

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