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

BIG SIR'S CORNER

Good day fellow SIR Members. We had a great January luncheon with 46 attendees and 18 of you let us know you would not be attending. Thank you so very much for that. We appreciate knowing how each and every one of you are doing and especially if you will not be attending the luncheon.

A big welcome to our two January guests. Hopefully you will consider joining us for good food, fine friends and lots of fun. As always, the Elk's cook and staff provided an outstanding meal enjoyed by all. As is said: "my compliments to the Chef".

Our hearts go out to all those that were subjected to the whims of the recent storm. Some are still without power going on at least 12 days at the time of this writing. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance.

At the January luncheon I talked about the SIR organization and looked at one option to raise the visibility of our organization. Not to make changes to our local branch, rather to bring the SIR name and what it stands for to a broader range of people. That should give us an easier time to attract new members and maintain our branch operations. Most of our Branch Executive Committee [BEC] members were introduced at the January meeting. These members serve the branch and conduct the business aspects of running the corporation. My thanks to them all for their continued service.

We have a new member that brings Pickle ball to us. Pickle ball is the fastest growing sport around the nation. We will take a proposal to the BEC for activating such an activity. I'm sure some of us will get involved.

Our next luncheon is February 3rd. The Elks will be offering Gumbo and Creole Chicken. Please let us know if you will NOT be attending. The next BEC meeting is Thursday, February 17th, 2022, 8:30am, at Mel's Diner, 1730 Grass Valley Highway. Everyone is welcome at these meetings.

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

In closing, February 14th is Valentine's Day. Please plan to spend time with your loved ones and let them see your appreciation.

Your BIG SIR Gary Willett



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 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28					

Feb 3 Luncheon Meeting 11:00 to 1:30 pm
Feb 10 Bulletin Material Due
Feb 17 Executive Board Meeting
8:30 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
916 663-4538**

THE SPEAKER OF THE MONTH

Our February speaker will be a representative from the Placer County Sheriffs Department.

Cal Conley Little Sir

NOTICE: ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!!

WE NEED YOU FOR VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

THIS IS CRITICLE TO ENSURE A SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATION INTO THE FUTURE!

PLEASE HELP OUT BY STEPPING UP AND JOINING IN!

Contact Gary Willett; 367-6175 KB7QWC@gmail.com
Or
Cal Conley; 209 559-7737 SVICONLEY@HOTMAIL.COM

If interested.



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NEW MEMBERS! WELCOME TO SIR'S BANCH 37



Gene Copelan lives in Auburn. He worked for U.S. Bank retiring in 2009. His interests include Bocce, Cooking, & Dining Out. Gene served in the Army Nat'l Guard.

Welcome Gene



Tom Smith and his wife Lee reside in Auburn. Retiring from S.C. Johnson Polymer in 2003. Tom served in the U.S. Navy. His interests included golf. Transferring from SIR Branch 79.

Welcome Tom

2022 BEC Officers



Happy Valentine's Day

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/>

Know Your BEC Member

Cal Conley

Cal was born in Bakersfield, Ca on February 10, 1948. In 1953 the family moved to a new home in Castro Valley, Ca. Cal graduated from Castro Valley schools in June 1966.



Four days after his graduation from high school he began his career as an apprentice welder at the San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard. On May 10, 1969 he married Judi Mouser. Due to some military base closures including the shipyard his career ended on May 1, 1971.

A week later he joined Bricklayers Union #8 as an Apprentice Bricklayer. On October 18, 1974 Cal and Judi were blessed with the birth of their daughter named Cheryl. In 1977 he received his Masonry Contractors License. He began his Masonry business in December 1977.

On June 2, 1978 a son named John was born. On October 29th Judi was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Judi died April 8, 1979.

On November 24, 1979 Cal married Karen Wasilko. Karen had two daughters(Shannon and Becky). On February 17, 1984 the fifth child was born, Her name was Michelle.

In August 1986 having had two back operations and a knee replacement his career in Masonry ended.

On April 8, 1987 he began his career with the California Department of Corrections. His positions were a Masonry Instructor, Supervisor of Vocational Programs at three different prisons and a position as Correctional Counselor. After serving 25 years he retired on December 1, 2012.

A week after his retirement he joined Twain Harte SIRS #172. He enjoyed playing golf and pinochle. In 2014 Karen and Cal moved to Auburn. He transferred his membership to # 37. In 2017 they moved to Granite Bay. On September 15, 2020 Karen announced she wanted a divorce.

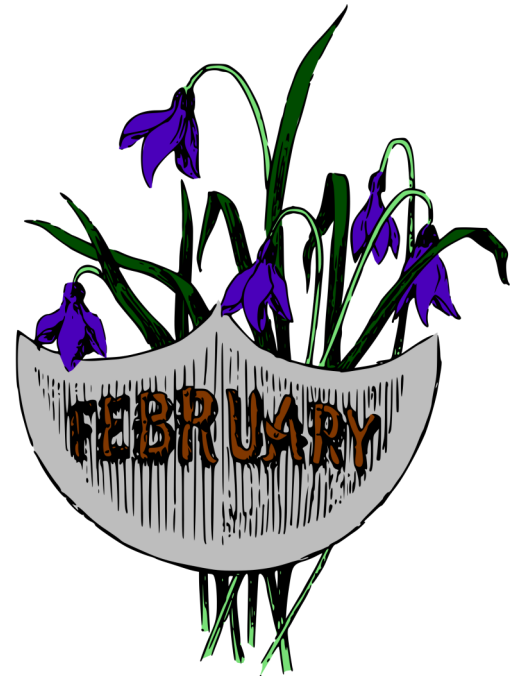
Cal bought a home in Sun City Roseville, where he enjoys playing golf, poker and participating in three different clubs. At the present time Cal has 12 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Cal is looking forward to the next two years while serving as Little SIR and Big SIR.

Cals Motto is one day at a time and enjoy every minute of that day.

Happy Birthday To Sirs

Joseph Ames
Dempsey Billey
Cal Conley
Greg Dipuccio
Sam Frazier
Bruce Gregory
Peter Politi
Thomas Smith
Kevin Tiernan
Henry Tukloff



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ATTENDANCE

JANUARY REPORT

Total Attendance 48
 Guests 2
 Sirs Present 46
 Speaker 0
 Visitors 0
 Excused* 18

Total Member count: 128

*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	Kent MacDonald	745-0324	Meets during Luncheon social hour.
Bocce Ball	Al Andersen	916-652-5656	Monday; 10 am @ Recreation Park
Book Exchange	Gary Willett	367-6175	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 (Area 33)	Gene Vogel	889-2882	Tuesdays; 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 January Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize Rich Adams, 2nd prize James Dill, and 3rd prize Rich Fisher.



Sirs with birthdays in December & January

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