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## SIR Branch 37 Bulletin

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### BRANCH 37 OFFICERS

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## BIG SIR'S CORNER

Happy September fellow SIR Members.

We had a great August luncheon with nearly 90 attendees, including two (2) new members, and five (5) guests. Thanks to those that let us know you would not be attending.

The Elk's cook and staff provided an outstanding meal of Pork Loin that was enjoyed by all.

We need to get some more SIR activities going! 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!

We have a number of Amateur Radio Operators [Hams]...How about a group get together?

How about some outside activities? Where would YOU like to go? How about the California Aerospace Museum at McClellan Field? Check it out: <https://aerospacemuseum.org/>

Do we have anyone interested in a card or board game activity? If so, let's get it going!!!

The annual nomination time is HERE! This organization does not run itself. We need a number of individuals in a variety of positions to make the Branch function appropriately. We need BEC members, committee chairs, and activity chairs. Check the first few pages of the 2022 roster to view the positions necessary. Please, please, think about stepping up and helping the organization continue for another year. And if you are approached for a position, please consider at least trying it for a short time rather than just saying no. Thank You!

The next BEC meeting is Thursday, August 18th, 2022, 9:00am, at Mel's Diner, 1730 Grass Valley Highway. Everyone is welcome at these meetings.

Our next luncheon is September 1st. The Elks will be offering Chicken and fish for our dining pleasure! Please remember to let us know if you will NOT be attending.

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.

Your BIG SIR Gary Willett



## SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

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

## September 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	

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

### LUNCHEON MENU

Roasted Chicken & Fried Cod  
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 September 1 luncheon will be Hunter William (Bill) Bailey, MSFS, Author, CSUS, ARC, Reserve Officer and All American gymnast. Bill has been an advisor for over 40 years and has an office in Grass Valley and Citrus Heights. He is currently doing seminars for the Renaissance Society and in October for Sierra College Community Education.

Glen Kramer Little Sir



Our August speaker Eden Rock, Operations Director (Rt) & Elia Rivas, Membership Specialist (Lt) of the Placer Land Trust. Great presentation, very informative.

## NEW MEMBERS! WELCOME TO SIR'S BANCH 37



Jorge and his wife Cherie. Jorge is a retired truck driver who retired in 2021. His interests include Antique Cars and Bowling.

Welcome Jorge



Dennis (Sparky) Cross and his wife Darlene reside in Foresthill.

Welcome Sparky

## Attention Golfers

Mark Stuart  
2022 State Golf Chair  
916 218-2287  
Fellow Golfers,



Attached is the announcement for the final State golf event of the year, "THE FALL CLASSIC", to be held at the Blue Rock Springs golf courses in Vallejo. This event will be held on Wednesday September 14th and Thursday 15th. This is a 2 day event but if a golfer wants, they can play either of the days or both. Members can also make up their own team for either day.

I ask that you take a look at the attached flyer for additional information as well as the State golf website at [www.sirgolf.org](http://www.sirgolf.org). This event is open to all SIR members, their wives and invited guests.

Many Thanks,  
Mark Stuart, 2022 SIR State Golf Committee Chair



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/>



# SIR of the Month

I was born and raised in San Francisco back when it was a safe city for kids. As a youngster I would wander all over SF without a worry.

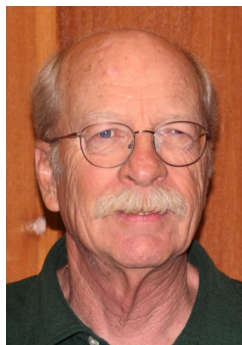
In 1965 I went on active duty in the Navy. I went to Sonar school and was assigned to the USS Halsey a guided missile frigate. I was a Sonar Technician 2nd class (E5). We cruised a few miles off Vietnam and carried a Sars (Search and Rescue) helicopter on the fantail. It's purpose was to rescue downed pilots.

After the Navy I went to work for Pacific Telephone when it was still part of the Bell System. In 1978 we moved to Sonoma County. We had ½ acre where we had all the usual farm animals. I worked as a Communications Technician servicing the switching equipment that is the telephone network. I worked 4-12am as a rover and covered Petaluma to Cloverdale and west to Bodega Bay. In 1992 I transferred to Sacramento and worked in the Network Operations Center. By that time everything was digital and I programed the various switches remotely.

I have 2 boys 47 & 45 and 4 grandchildren ages 26 to 7. I currently live in Foresthill where we've been for 25 years. My hobbies are Amateur Radio and Photography. I've had a radio license since 1977 and have been taking pictures since the 60's.

I am currently president of the Placer County Photography Club and Chairman of Photographic Society of America (PSA) Gold Rush Chapter. I retired in 2002 and am enjoying every minute.

Mike Schumacher



## Happy Birthday To Sirs

**David Bean**  
**Dennis Cross**  
**Arlan Deutsch**  
**James Dill**  
**Steven Hoegel**  
**Leroy McDevitt**  
**Douglas Perry**  
**Gerry Rawson**  
**Rodger Tognazzini**  
**Duane Voges**



Steve Ciyatt  
Stepped up and volunteered to  
join the BEC as our new Director.  
Thanks, Steve

**NOTICE: ALWAYS LOOKING FOR  
VOLUNTEERS!!**

**WE NEED "YOU" FOR VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES**

**THIS IS CRITICAL 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](mailto:KB7QWC@gmail.com)**

**Or**

**Glen Kramer; 510 377-4168 [kramer4112@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kramer4112@sbcglobal.net)**

**If interested.**

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## STATE OFFICERS

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## BRANCH 37 OFFICERS

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 Little Sir Glen Kramer  
 Secretary Doug Perry  
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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

### AUGUST REPORT

Sirs Present 87  
 Guests 5  
 Speaker 2  
 Visitors 0  
 Excused\* 14

Attendance total: 94

Total Member count: 150

\*If you cannot attend, contact:

**Frank Michny**  
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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 (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 August Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize John Warren, 2nd prize Jack Kordich, and 3rd prize Bill Gray.



Sirs with birthdays in August who attended.

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