



# SIR BRANCH 161 NEWS

Celebrating our 26th year! April, 2017

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

## Len Fadda, Big Sir

The meetings are going great. Good humor and fun throughout our group.

Thanks to Little Sir Larry on speakers and for securing the services of J.G. Productions (James Clark a Tribute to Elvis) for our Mothers Day Luncheon. Tickets are on sale for the event at \$25.00 per person. Larry is also working to get Sirs involvement for additional activities, in addition to those on our calendar. Please contact Larry if you have ideas of interest to you!

Very happy to meet our new member Rene' McClain (sponsor Micheal White) to Sir Branch #161. Several Sirs brought a guest to our meeting, and at least two have submitted applications for membership; This is a great effort by Branch members.

Please note our June Branch meeting will be held on the 1st Tuesday, June 6th instead of the 2nd Tuesday due to a scheduling conflict.

Thank you for your support!!



## Little Sir, Larry Mensch April speaker

Since April is tax month, we are having an investment advisor as our speaker. Bob Daly is an investment advisor with BAC bank and will have information about the current investment market.



## Next Regular Luncheon

April 11, 2017.

### April luncheon menu

Chicken Piccata, Anna Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine, cookies/brownies, breadsticks, butter, coffee and tea.

**Please note:** If you have any special dietary needs, please email or call Bill Konold:

bkonold@comcast.net or tel. 634-2738 by Friday before the meeting to arrange this.

### March birthdays

Carlo Delazzar, Saul Gold, Ray Hutchings,  
Eric Jensen, Bill Konold, Ken Landoline,  
Pete Prather, Don Rentzel, Norm Spencer,  
Hal Whitlow, Roger Wood, Randy Zierau

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## SIR Activities, Dick Donald

We're always looking for new activities among SIR. If you have a suggestion for an activity not currently supported, let us know and we'll see if we can get a group going. You can contact me at 513-2849 or email DickDonald@Yahoo.com.



Following are some ongoing SIR activities, including details on current plans.

### **Wine Tasting**, Dick Donald, 513-2849

The April wine tasting will be on Thursday, April 27th, and will be hosted by Will and Raquel Myers. If you are interested in attending this very popular activity please contact Dick Donald by Friday, April 14th at the number above, or email DickDonald@Yahoo.com

### **Beer Tasting**, Paul Elmer, 240-0543

Paul Elmer will be taking over the beer tasting starting in April. Contact Paul or John Fry (783-5614) if you are interested in participating.

### **Pickleball**, Bob Lyman, 628-7906

*"If you are looking for more fun – come try pickleball"*

Come join us and have loads of fun playing pickleball. Pickleball is a cross between tennis and ping pong, played with paddles on a small tennis-like court.

We have drop-in play at Cornell Park on the Discovery Bay public pickleball courts at 505 Discovery Bay Blvd. Play is on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m.

Beginners are always welcome, and an experienced player is designated on Saturdays to work with the new players. Just show up and we'll teach you the game on any of our play days. If you (or maybe you and your wife) would like a private introduction to the game, call me and I'll see that it happens.

## Membership, Tom Kirtley

### **Sponsor a new member**

Branch members wishing to sponsor a new member should invite the prospect to a regular luncheon meeting as a guest.



If the guest wishes to become a SIR member, the sponsor should obtain an application form from Membership Chairman Tom Kirtley. Have the guest complete the form, and return it to Tom. The prospective member and their sponsor should attend the next regular luncheon meeting.

The Executive Board will vote on the membership, and the new member will be inducted immediately prior to the luncheon.

One new member was inducted at our March luncheon. See photo & bio on page 3.

### **SIR Membership Requirements**

Membership in Sons In Retirement is open to men retired from full time occupation, regardless of age, race, color or religion. See the last page of this newsletter for more information.

**New member**



Rene McClain retired from Nationwide Paper in 2010. He has lived in Discovery Bay for 5 years. Rene and his wife Doris have 2 sons and 2 grandsons.

Rene's sponsor was Micheal White.

**Travel, Dennis Pachucki**



Various bargain-priced trips are available to SIR members through local travel agencies and other SIR branches. Look for the TRAVEL binder located on the entrance table at each monthly meeting.

For more information contact Dennis Pachucki at (408) 309-5206.

**2017 Branch 161 Meetings Calendar**

01/17/2017	07/11/2017
02/14/2017	08/8/2017
03/14/2017	09/12/2017
04/11/2017	10/10/2017
05/9/2017	11/14/2017
06/6/2017	12/12/2017

**May 9, 2017 (Tuesday) is our annual Mother's Luncheon**



The entertainment is  
**James Clark**  
**"A Tribute To ELVIS"**  
 (Seating is limited to 160)



Tickets are \$25 per person and will be available at our April Meeting-or buy them now (use stub below).



**SIR Mother's Luncheon ~ May 9, 2017**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Make check out to SIR 161 and mail to Bill Momaney  
 690 Central Park Pl. Brentwood, CA 94513

## Bowling News, Paul Elmer

27 weeks of bowling have quickly passed by and Let's Roll (Dottie Harris, Pam Jarvie, Doris Cole, Greg Mattus) have lost their lead of five games to four games over Slackers (Gary Leonis, Glenn MacBride, and Hoyt Huggins) who have moved up to second place from third place last month. The competition is alive and doing very well! With only seven more weeks of league play left in the season the finish could be dramatic -- anything can and will happen!!

Season high scores have changed slightly, for the women; Marie Wilson now has Scratch Series with 655, Mary Branscum has Scratch Game with 243, Diane Davidson now has Handicap Series with 816 (well done!) and Beverly Denn has Handicap Game with 307.

The men have a change also with Hoyt Huggins having Handicap Series 885 !! Outstanding - Handicap



Game; Larry Mensch 339; Scratch Series; Bob Damico with 731, and Scratch Game; Mike Quier 277. All of these season high scores seem very good this year, the lane conditions must be consistent. Good going, people!!

Tournament results for Livermore are finally available. Out of 64 bowlers branch 161 and 108 had 10 in competition. Of those ten Bill Bayer and Greg Mattus came in 1st in "A" Doubles. Rosie Elmer and Paul Elmer came in 2nd. Marie Wilson had a 2nd in "A" Singles, 2nd in "A" All Events. Ron Wilson had 5th in "B" Singles and 4th in "B" All Events. Good show!!

The next major tournament is in Carson City in April from the 10th to 13th. This is one of the larger tournaments with 9 games of competition - singles, doubles and team 3 each. This takes place over two days and draws a lot of entries. There are over 200 as of this writing. The results of the concord tournament being held on March 20th and 22nd will be available for the next newsletter.

Paul

## Salute to SIR Day at the Races



Group photo at SIR Day at Golden Gate Fields (March 17 2017), taken after the 2nd race.

L-R are April & Floyd McBeth, Sally & Jim Jenkins, Jerry Dittman, Len & Linda Fadda, Jockey Pedro Terrero, and Marie & Ron Wilson.

## Golf News, Dale Welin

Due to predicted rain for our Tuesday, March 21 golf tournament, we postponed the tournament to take place on Tuesday, March 28, one week later.

Our April golf tournament is scheduled at Discovery Bay Country Club, hosting the 6th Annual SIR 161 Invitational Tournament on Monday, April 10. We hope there will be a good representation from our branch to help direct the players around the golf course. The entry fee information is similar as in the past and is below:



When: Monday, April 10, 2017

Time: 9:00 am shotgun start

Where: Discovery Bay Country Club

Format: 2 best net balls of the foursome

Tee: Brown tees

Price: Tiered pricing as follows: Member of DBCC with cart - \$17.00

Member of DBCC with no cart - \$32.00

Non member of DBCC, - \$58.00

The prices include golf, cart, range balls, box lunch and prize money.

Please advise Dale Welin by e-mail, phone or in person when I see you and get your name on the player list. We will need some of you to help check players in and assist players in the parking lot to find their carts. As in the past, there will be box lunches provided on the golf course and there are 3 choices for the sandwich: ham, turkey or tuna. Please tell me when you sign up your choice of sandwich.

Additionally, if you are over 75 and have a handicap of 25 or higher, you may play the yellow (forward) tees. The requirement for this, is to let me know that when you sign up on the player list. You will not be able to show up on the day of play and say you want to play the forward tee. We have to adjust your handicap, by reducing it by 2 strokes and will do that prior to the start of play.

If you have any questions, please call Dale Welin at 516-9463.

## Golf outing with the ladies, Mike Quier

September 20 and 21 golf at Castle Oaks golf club in Ione. Golf two days at Castle Oaks and two nights at Jackson Rancheria Casino. Golf is \$82.00 for both days and payable to Mike Quier by August 1.

You have three choices on your room: Deluxe King is \$99.00 a night; Junior Suite is \$189.00 a night; Executive Suite is \$309.00 a night. You pay directly to the Hotel. Contact Mike Quier by phone at (925) 470-0183 or email at michaelquier@att.net. We have 24 openings for golf, 20 King rooms, two Junior rooms, and two Executive rooms reserved. Hope to hear from you soon.

To make reservations at Jackson Rancheria, call 1-800-822-9466.

### Dinner With The Ladies, Alan Jarvie

**When:** April 25, 2017

**Where:** Sweeney’s Grill & Bar, 301 Oak Street, Brentwood

**Time:** Arrival & Cocktails starting at 5:00 pm, Dinner served at 6:00 pm

**Menu Choices:** (Salad, dessert & non-alcoholic beverage (soft-drink, water, coffee) are included. )



**Entrees:**

- Sirloin Steak with mashed potatoes and fresh vegetable
- Grilled Fresh Salmon with rice and fresh vegetable
- Jumbo Fried Prawns with rice and fresh vegetable
- Grilled Chicken Breast with mashed potatoes and fresh vegetable

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person (includes tax and tip).

**Deadline:** We need your RSVP no later than Thursday, April 20 ; There will be envelopes at our General Meeting on April 11.

Please send your checks to me in advance, made out to Alan Jarvie, and mail to 4121 Windward Court, Discovery Bay, CA 94505. My cell phone is 408-219-8240.

Sweeney’s is located at 301 Oak Street (at the northwest corner of 1st Street) in downtown Brentwood.

----- Please detach and mail with your check -----

Your Name(s):

Phone:

Your menu choices:

Sirloin Steak with mashed potatoes and fresh vegetable

Grilled Fresh Salmon with rice and fresh vegetable

Jumbo Fried Prawns with rice and fresh vegetable

Grilled Chicken Breast with mashed potatoes and fresh vegetable

## Membership Requirements & Principles

Membership is open to men retired from full time occupation, regardless of age, race, color or religion. Member volunteers and staff administer and govern all branch activities. Nominal annual dues provide for these activities. SIR supports no outside cause or interest. We prohibit discussions of politics and religion or the selling of anything to any member. The only requirements to join SIR are that a man be retired, or semi-retired, and sponsored by an active member.

## Attendance Policy (Revised July, 2012)

Luncheon meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of the month at the Discovery Bay Country Club, 1475 Club House Drive. (There are exceptions when we need to hold our meetings on a different Tuesday, so please check the Meetings Calendar elsewhere in this issue).

Social hour is at 11.00am and lunch is at noon. All members are expected to attend Luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness, absence from the Branch locale, or acting as a caregiver to a spouse or companion. If you cannot attend, you are required to notify the Attendance Chairman by the Friday prior to the luncheon meeting or you may be charged for the luncheon.

Regular members missing three consecutive meetings without notifying the Attendance Chairman, or missing more than five (5) meetings within the last 12 months for any reason (not counting May and December), will have their membership reviewed by the Branch Executive Committee (BEC), and may receive a notice from the BEC of their decision to consider terminating the absent Sir's membership.

Certification of attendance at another branch will be considered a credit to attendance.

## Responsibility Clause

All tours, trips and other activities for or 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, Inc. and its branches do not assume responsibility for the well-being or safety of the participants, or in any matters pertaining to tours, trips, or other activities.

### Reminders

**Annual dues** defray the administrative costs of running our organization. For those who have yet to pay their dues, be sure to bring \$20 cash or check (made out to SIR Branch 161) to the next meeting. Or you can mail it to our Treasurer, Bill Momaney.

**Dress code** for our meetings is "Country Club Casual", which means no jeans or denim, cutoffs or exercise shorts, shirts must have a collar, no tank tops or T-shirts, no flip-flops or thong type sandals. Please ensure that your guests are aware of this policy. Simple etiquette requires that hats be removed while in the dining room.

### If you're unable to attend a meeting

Our Branch is obligated to pay for lunches not served. Please email Bill Konold by the Friday preceding the meeting if you don't plan to attend.

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