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**Monthly meetings on 2nd Wednesday Carmichael Elks Lodge 5631 Cypress, Carmichael
10:30 am Executive Meeting 11:00 am social Noon Luncheon, Cost \$19.00**

Next luncheon meeting is August 14, 2019

Please call Dave Nemzek (916-481-7173) by August 8, 2019 if you cannot attend the meeting. That is the Thursday before the August 14, 2019 meeting. We need an accurate count and need your cooperation to have the proper amount of food at the luncheon, so if you are bringing guests please let us know, also by August 8, 2019.

BIG SIR REPORT by Phil Sittner

Ed Benson, President of the SIR organization, paid us a very nice compliment.

“Hi Phil.

I had an opportunity to review your Branch’s Form 27 the other day, and needless to say, I’m impressed.

- * Up six members
- * Number of members up five ahead of your goal
 - * Half of your activities are coed (that’s a big recruiting plus)
- * Median age holding steady
- * Luncheon attendance ahead of goal and at historic highs
 - * First time guests on a trend to set a record

This is a record to be proud of. Congratulations to you, your leaders and members. You’re on a great roll; keep it up.

Best,
Ed Benson, State President.

The message should have been addressed to our members because you are the deserving ones. And while on the topic, you’ll note that in this issue of the Nugget is a listing of nominees for the 2020 officers. Our officers volunteer to support their fellow members, not for titles associated with the positions. Each year due to either health, family, or fatigue issues we need volunteers to fill the open slots and this year is no exception. I urge you to consider filling one of these slots, which requires only a couple of hours of your time monthly. Please contact me or any officer to express your interest in filling a slot.

During the August meeting we will vote on the 2020 officer roster. It is an honor to serve and a very rewarding experience.

LITTLE SIR REPORT by DAVE PETERSON

***“TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE TURN 65 EVERY DAY.
IT’S HARD TO IMAGINE A BETTER OPPORTUNITY
FOR NEW MEMBERS”***



Last month we had the opportunity to meet Senior Chaplain Mindi Russell, who serves as Executive Director of The Law Enforcement Chaplaincy Sacramento. At our luncheon In August, we will meet Tom Jones who serves the Northern California Community as the Executive Director of the Aerospace Museum of California.

Chaplain Russell shared with us that the LECS is a non-profit, charitable organization Committed to serving law enforcement personnel and their families, victims of crime and tragedies, and the community at large. LECS is the only services of its kind that provides 24-7-365 rapid response teams alongside law enforcement agencies “on scene” emotional crisis support. LECS Chaplains are experts in the aftermath of grief and loss. LECS has been named “The National Model Chaplaincy”.

The Aerospace Museum of California has been selected as an affiliate in the prestigious Smithsonian Affiliate Museum program and, as a result of that honor, can access national collections, exhibitions, and learning opportunities. Museum visitors experience the Smithsonian in their neighborhood museum.

Tom’s role as Executive Director is focused on creating the finest STEM education and student learning facility on the West Coast. Tom is leading an incredible team of Museum professionals and over 250 volunteers to create and deliver an environment in which every citizen is best served with a strong knowledge and understanding of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) subjects.

Tom served 25 years in the U.S. Navy as a Naval Aviator, Flight Instructor, then later as Principal Investigator, Lead Operations Research Analyst for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations and then as a Commanding Officer. He has flown over 4,100 hours in tactical helicopters and several fixed-wing aircraft including the mighty C-130 “Hercules.”

TREASURER’S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) May 31, 2019:	\$5,227.31
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	2,149.00
Funds Disbursed	2,105.90
Ending Checking Balance June 30, 2019	5,270.41
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) June 30, 2019	\$5,670.41

SUNSHINE REPORT: by Chris Christopherson

As always, I request assistance from all members by keeping me informed about deaths, illnesses, and other medical problems of fellow members so I can publish them in the newsletter and send cards.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Carroll Hamon

Membership Status: 149 members, including one Senior HLM and three HLMs.
Deletions: None

New Members in July: Mark Ferguson, sponsor Randy Angeloni; Dell Fystrom, sponsor Steve Ng; Rocky Jarvis, sponsor Brian Mancarti; Lam Nguyen sponsor Joe Dobrowolski

New Member to be inducted in August: Jon Sadowski, sponsor General Davie

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

Mark Ferguson
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Mark was born on January 13, 1953. He had been a Claims Manager for public and private employers when he retired on July 1, 2017. He is married to Terry. His interests are golf and fishing. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 10, 2019 and was assigned badge # 22. His sponsor was Randy Angeloni.

John 'Rocky' Jarvis
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Rocky was born on March 20, 1947. He was a College Coach/Caregiver when he retired in May 2006. Sandy is his significant other. His interests are tennis, skiing, golf, fishing, hiking and boating. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 10, 2019 and was assigned badge # 126. His sponsor was Brian Mancarti.

Dell Fystrom
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Dell was born on August 29, 1937. He taught Physics at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse and retired in June 1999. His interests are golf, books and singing. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 10, 2019 and was assigned badge # 25. His sponsor was Steve Ng.

Lam Nguyen
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Lam was born on May 8, 1953. He was a Civil Engineer with CalTrans and the California High Speed Rail Authority when he retired on November 30, 2018. He is married to Peggy. His interests are golf, scouting and volunteering. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on July 10, 2019 and was assigned badge #186. His sponsor was Joe Dobrowolski.

Branch elections for the 2020 calendar year are coming up, as Big SIR Phil Sittner noted in his message above. These are the nominees so far. Nominations can be made from the floor at the August meeting.

POSITION	NOMINEE
Big SIR	Dave Peterson
Little SIR	Roger Riley
Secretary	John Boss
Asst. Secretary	-Open-
Treasurer	Jim Coe
Asst. Treasurer	Don Landsittel
Director	Jerry Westerman
Director	Phil Sittner
Director	Pay Zelinski
Director	Gordon Routsong
Director	Gordon Callander

Slate of Officers for 2020 (continued)

Director

-Open-

NOTICE:

To Honor the Branch 23 50th Anniversary, all Br. 23 Members and wives/friends are invited to a celebration dinner party on Thursday, September 19 at North Ridge Country Club from 4:30 to 7:15 PM

COST is \$30 pp. MENU CHOICES are Steak, Chicken, Veggie Raviolis.

The program will be heavy on socializing and entertainment.
See the attached flyer for more details

Sign up at the August 14 monthly luncheon. Cash or checks accepted.
Exact cash would be appreciated. Checks should be made payable to SIR Branch 23.

Please read the flyer on the next page.



Please come to a party!

Members and spouses/friends are invited to come and help celebrate



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ANNIVERSARY
of

SIR BRANCH 23

Date & Time: Thursday, September 19 4:30 to 7:15 pm

Location: North Ridge Country Club

7600 Madison Avenue (at Mariposa Ave) Fair Oaks

Menu Choices: Steak, Chicken, Vegie Raviolis

Cost: \$30 per person No-host bar & Raffle available

Entertainment:

**Singing by SIR Country Club Aires and
Sharing Branch 23 History and Memories**

Signups begin at the July meeting and continue
until September 11 deadline. Please signup ASAP

BRANCH 23 MEMBER AWARDS:

A formal Certificate of Appreciation for Dave Nemzek was presented at the July 10, 2019 meeting of Branch 23.

Dave joined Branch 23 in November of 2005. Dave immediately played in the last golf tournament in 2005 and has played in 261 tournaments since then.

He took over the Attendance Chairmanship duties in 2008. He is now serving in the 12th year in that position. These duties include keeping track of who attends each meeting, and calling the Elk's Lodge to give them an estimate of how many are going to attend the next luncheon. Dave also inserts your name tag back into that large cabinet, in the proper order, so that they are ready for the next meeting. By the way, that cabinet, which he has lugged back and forth to each monthly meeting for the last twelve years, is estimated to weigh just short of 50 pounds.

Dave has been a very active member of Branch 23 and we all appreciate his efforts.



Dave Nemzek, shown with Big SIR Phill Sittner (right), at the July 2019 luncheon meeting.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES:

The hiking group just completed their second adventure, hiking the Lake Clementine Trail, in the American River Canyon near Auburn.



BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:



August 5th at the Dante Club. Evening Bocce Ball during the week of August 11. Let me know a preference date. Bocce Master at the helm on July 22.

Contact Dave Peterson for info at davidjpeterson08@yahoo.com or 916 768-5087.

Bowling Report Frank Semans

The SIR Bowling League will have their organizational meeting on Tuesday, August 20, 2019. We will meet upstairs at the Country Club Lanes at 11AM. Teams will be verified and new bowlers will be assigned to a team.

Bring your bowling ball. There may be some free practice bowling after the meeting.

The league season will begin on Tuesday, August 27, 2019. Warm up begins at 12:20 and games start at 12:30.

If you did not pay the USBC dues last week, come a little early so you can pay Nevada Dahlig.

GOLF Report for the August, 2019 Nugget Bill Sutherland

BR 23 Golf Web Site: Visit this site to determine golf start times, pairings, results and other golf related matters. The address is web2.golfsoftware.net/9958/

18-Hole Golf:

Sign-ups for August Meeting:

August 28, Ancil Hoffman, Individual dual tee event.

September 5, Wildhawk, 2 man best ball. Pick your partner.

September 18, Empire Ranch, Individual event, dual tees.

Tournament Results:

Bartley Cavanaugh, June 26.

Flight 1: Rowland (62), Monteverde (63), Schmidt (67). CTP: Ron Shilliday.

Flight 2: Bamfield (60), Siagian (64), Angeloni (66), McGuire (66), Moore (66). CTP Bamfield

Flight 3: Buss (63), Nemana (66), Phelps (67). CTP: Bob Mohler

Flight 4: Heavner (65), Nemzek (67), Christopherson (70). CTP: David Salminen

Bing Maloney, July 3.

Flight 1 Rowland (68), Shilliday (69), Brunton (72). CTP: David Brunton

Flight 2: McGuire (65), Bamfield (66), Porter (66). CTP: Bill McGuire

Flight 3: Heavner (65), Raley (66), Young (66). CTP: No Winner

Flight 4: Scarlett (63), Routsong (63), Vijitakula (65). CTP: Gail Murrell

Wildhawk, July 9. (Rescheduled from March 20 rainout)

Flight 1: Shilliday (61), Don Rodriguez (68), Espinosa (69). CTP: Bill Espinosa

Flight 2: Landsittel (60), Wall (65), Siagian (65), Bamfield (65). CTP: Tom Novi

Flight 3: Young (60), Abel (63), Zarzana (64). CTP: George Zarzana

Flight 4: Salminen (58), Vijitakula (58), Scarlett (62). CTP: John Boss

Davis, July 17.

Flight 1: Brunton (62), Rinaldi (63), Bradley (63). CTP: Gary Bradley

Flight 2 Jones (63), Sittner (68), Askelson (68). CTP: Marwan Siagian.

Flight 3: Mastalski (61), Buss (61), Westerman (62). CTP: Phil Fotopoulos

Flight 4: Reames (56), Vijitakula (60), Boss (61), Frank (61). CTP: Ray Zelinski

9-Hole Golf:

Sign-ups for August Meeting:

August 26, Monday, Arcade Creek Red

September 6, Friday, Antelope Greens

September 13, Friday, Davis

September 23, Monday Arcade Creek Blue

Tournament Results:

Emerald Lakes, June 24

Flight 1: Mahoney (29), Abel (29), Bamfield (30). CTP: Frank Abel

Flight 2: Vijitakula (31), Callander (34), Salminen (39). CTP: Paul Vijitakula

Arcade Creek Blue, July 11

Flight 1: Abel (34), Schmidt (35), Sutherland (36), Scott Kenney (36).

CTP: Phil Sittner

Flight 2: Westerman (32), Wall (33), Salminen (34). CTP: Paul Vijitakula

Flight 3: Christopherson (34), Reames (34), George Hood (34). CTP: No Winner

Campus Commons, July 19

Flight 1: Scott Kenney (25), Abel (30), Siagian (30). CTP: Marwan Siagian

Flight 2: Ng (27), Mastalski (27), Reames (29). CTP: No Winner.

Flight 3: Chapman (26), Zelinski (27), Callander (28). CTP: Carroll Hamon.

TENNIS:

John "Rocky" Jarvis, a new member of Branch 23 as of July, 2019, has volunteered to begin a Branch 23 Tennis program. He was a coach at the college level.

NOTABLE AUGUST DATES:

MEMBER JOIN ANNIVERSARIES:

Kenney, B	228	08 1986
Christopherson	055	08 1995
Abel	011	08 1999
Graebe	066	08 2001
Hamon	032	08 2004
Routsong	059	08 2013
Sittner	062	08 2015
Findley	060	08 2016
Suckow	054	08 2016
Mitchell	167	08 2017

MEMBER BIRTHDAY MONTH:

Tognetti	08	02 1931
Sandhu	08	04 1934
Kimball	08	18 1935
Landers	08	24 1935
Fystrom	08	29 1937
Landsittel	08	13 1943
Lindsey	08	20 1943
Peterson	08	21 1943
Davie	08	31 1944
Buss	08	12 1947
Miller	08	21 1948
Rinaldi	08	24 1950
Benner	08	26 1954

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Kimball, Bill and Sandra	1957
Christopherson, Chris and Jeanne	1959
Barsch, Ray and Dorothy	1960
Wilson, Jerry and Lynette	1963
Sutherland, Bill and Janice	1963
Battistessa, Rich and Diane	1971
Bradley, Gary and Bobbie	1971
Wall, Kevin and Linda	1979
Rodriguez, Don and Suzanne	1988
Biesanz, David and CJ	1988
Tipton, Tony and Debbie	2004
Moller, Kurt and Mary	2013

The Ambidextrous Golfer:

A group of men live and die for their Saturday morning golf game. One transfers to another city and they're lost without him.

A new woman joins the club. When she hears the guys talking about the golf round, she says, "I played on my college golf team. I was pretty good. Mind if I join you next week?"

No one wants to say "yes", but they are on the spot. Finally, one man says "Okay, but we start at 6:30 am." He figures this will discourage her.

The woman says this may be a problem and asks if she can be up to 15 minutes late. They roll their eyes, but say "Okay." She is there at 6:30 am sharp, and beats all of them with an eye opening 2 under par round. She's fun and pleasant, and the guys are impressed. They congratulate her and invite her back the next week. She smiles and says, "I'll be there at 6:30 or 6:45."

The next week she again shows up at 6:30 sharp. Only this time, she plays left-handed. The three guys are incredulous as she still beats them with an even par round, despite playing with her off-hand. They are totally amazed. They can't figure her out. She's very pleasant and a gracious winner. They invite her back again, but each man has a burning desire to beat her.

The third week she is 15 minutes late, which irritates the guys. This week she plays right-handed and narrowly beats all three of them. The men grumble that her late arrival is petty gamesmanship on her part. However, she is so charming and complimentary of their strong play they can't hold a grudge.

This woman is a riddle no one can figure out. They have a couple of beers in the clubhouse, and finally one of them asks her, "How do you decide if you're going to play right-handed or left-handed?"

The lady blushes and grins. "When my Dad taught me to play golf, I learned I was ambidextrous," she replies. "I like to switch back and forth. When I got married, after college, I discovered my husband always sleeps in the nude. From then on, I developed a silly habit. Right before I leave in the morning for golf practice, I pull the covers off him. If his willie points to the right, I play right-handed; if it points to the left, I play left-handed."

The guys think this is hysterical. Astonished at this bizarre information, one of the guys says, "What if it's pointing straight up?"

She says, "Then, I'm fifteen minutes late."

Thanks to Ray Barsch for the above contribution.

The editor says that when your bowling scores and your golf scores are similar, it's time to quit them both. Have a great month!

