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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 June 12, 2019

Please call Dave Nemzek (916-481-7173) by June 6, 2019 if you cannot attend the meeting. That is the Thursday before the June 12, 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 June 6, 2019.

BIG SIR REPORT by Phil Sittner

Nominating Committee Chairman Gordon Callander has a few remaining positions to fill for the 2020 officer and chairman slots of Branch 23. Our organization benefits from the experience of our members and volunteering for one of these slots is a rewarding and satisfying experience. If you have any interest in pitching in you are urged to contact Gordon.

Not only is Gordon engaged in filling our officer and chairman ranks, he also serves as our webmaster and has formed a hiking group. At the May meeting, we had over 20 members sign up for hiking and now Gordon is preparing his program. It promises to be our second most popular activity, following golf. Our picnic this year hosted 74 members, a recent attendance record, and a great time it was. Ray Zelinski, Rich Singer, Ray Barsch, Gary Bradley a number of others put together a fine event. Gary even made his kitchen debut and produced some really good brownies. The chipping contest lasted throughout the event, with only one ball reaching the bottom of the bucket, and that was a practice ball that eventually won the event. Tom Novi kept the action going with his colorful management of the Bingo casino. Several \$100 bottles of wine went to the players. In addition to the wine, two gift certificates to Lido Restaurant were the grand prizes. Those who were unable to attend should plan on making it to next year's event. It is a fun time for all.

Dave Peterson is still looking for a few more players to round out his Bocce program. Practices are held every other Monday at the Dante Club. See the attached flyer for details. And finally, please plan on attending our 50th Anniversary event on September 19th. Our State President, Ed Benson, Region Director Mark Stuart, and Area 3 Governor Giorgio Dina have confirmed their intentions and planners Tom Novi, Ray Zelinski, and John Boss have put together a spectacular event.

LITTLE SIR REPORT by DAVE PETERSON

“COURAGE IS RESISTANCE TO FEAR, MASTERY OF FEAR----- NOT ABSENCE OF FEAR:” Mark Twain



In the early hours of November 8th 2018; the news alerted us that a fast moving fire in Butte County was about to consume the rural town of Paradise. Many tragedies took place in the ensuing days of that fire which was contained on November 25, 2018. On May 8th, 2019 Branch 23 was treated to a well structured account of the Camp Fire by our guest speaker Alan Thompson. Alan, a former Satellite Internet Field Engineer and HAM operator; utilized on site reporting, photos and a clear understanding how the Camp Fire grew to a cost of \$17 billion, 86 fatalities, and consumed 18,804 buildings. Alan was directed to the fire to save, rebuild, and utilize portable equipment to keep cell traffic operable; which became vital to the rescue and evacuation needs. Alan discussed his years as a polished Toastmaster, Fire Hazard studies conducted in 2005, code changes in 2009, which included the shrinking of exit routes and overstressed evacuation routes. Alan ended with an evaluation that reveals the shortcomings of the cell phone as the primary communication tool for future natural disasters. Changes are needed.

NEXT MONTHS GUEST SPEAKER: TOPO PADILLA. “ NEW BAIL BOND LAW-FRIEND OR FOE OF CALIFORNIA ‘S CRIMINAL LAW SYSTEM”

TREASURER’S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) April 1, 2019:	\$5,212.28
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	2,815.00
Funds Disbursed	2,117.24
Ending Checking Balance April 30, 2019	5,910.04
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) April 30, 2019	\$6,310.04

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: 146 members, including one Senior HLM and three HLMs.
Deletions: Carl Baumgartner died on April 17, 2019

New Members in May: Jean Brown, sponsor Carroll Hamon
Bob Mohler, sponsor Bill Sutherland

New Members to be inducted in June: Dennis Shimek, sponsor Roger Riley

Other Membership/Roster Changes: Jim Miller e-mail correction: jimmm1511@gmail.com
Bernie Whitcomb address change to: 1934 Camphor Way, Lodi, CA 95242-4422

New Member Information:

Jean Brown
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Sacramento, CA 95821-3148

Phone: 916-601-4340

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Jean was born on December 16, 1929. He was an Engineer at the CA Department of Water Resources when he retired on July 4, 1992. Jean’s interests include reading, genealogy, chess and bridge. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on May 8, 2019 and was assigned badge #78.

His sponsor was Carroll Hamon.

Bob Mohler
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Bob was born on December 28, 1941. He is an Investment Advisor Representative at Cetera Advisor Networks and not fully retired. He is married to Cynthia. Bob's main interest is golf, but he is also a 49ers and Kings fan and a family man. He prefers to receive the Nugget electronically. He became a member of Branch 23 on May 8, 2019 and was assigned badge # 108.

His sponsor was Bill Sutherland.

MEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Member John Bloomer is a published author and is willing and able to start a group of members interested in becoming better writers or even published authors.

As Big SIR Phil Sittner noted, Gordon Callander is developing a co-ed hiking group for Branch 23. See the flyer near the end of this month's bulletin.

BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:



JUNE 3.

JUNE 10.

JUNE 24.

BOCCE BALL



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

GOLF Report for the June, 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 June Meeting:

July 3, Bing Maloney, Individual event, dual tees.

July 17, Davis, Individual event, dual tees.

July 24, Diamond Oaks, Individual event, dual tees.

Tournament Results:

Mather, April 24.

Flight 1: Fairhurst (64), Adge (70), Shilliday (70), Bradley (70).

CTP: Don Rodriguez.

Flight 2: McGuire (67), Moore (68), Schmidt (69), Siagian (69). CTP: JD Bamfield

Flight 3: Phelps (60), Singer (63), Pennington (67). CTP: George Zarzana

Flight 4: Routsong (67), Zelinski (69), Mitchell (70). CTP: Ray Zelinski

MacKenzie, May 1, 2019

Flight 1: Rowland (68), Schmidt (68), Brunton (68). CTP: Gary Bradley

Flight 2: Siagian (65), Moore (68), Askelson (68). CTP: Steve Porter

Flight 3: Abel (60), Pruss (60), Zarzana (62), Buss (62). CTP: Rich Battistessa

Flight 4: Salminen (58), Ng (65), Westerman (66), Landers (66).

CTP: Carroll Hamon

Sierra View, May 6.

Flight 1: Caldwell (65), Bradley (68), Rowland (69). CTP: Curt Caldwell

Flight 2: Landsittel (67), Askelson (69), Ahders (71), Tipton (71).

CTP: Scott Kenney.

Flight 3: LeFebure (70), Pruss (70), Pennington (71). CTP: John Raley

Flight 4: Buss (67), Ng (68), DeLong (71), Mastalski (71). CTP: Steve Buss

Timber Creek, May 9. (Reschedule from March 27 Rainout)

Flight 1: Bradley (68), Monteverde (71), Espinosa (75). CTP: John Rowland

Flight 2: Sittner (71), Moore (72), Salto (76), Siagian (76). CTP: Paul Elkins.

Flight 3: Abel (68), Schmidt (69), Pennington (74). CTP: Frank Abel

Flight 4: Ng (71), Heavner (74), LeDoux (76), Westerman (76). CTP: Steve ng

Flight 5: Landers (71), Reames (76), Routsong (83), Scarlett (83).

CTP: Sam Scarlett

Teal Bend, May 15.

Flight 1: Hayes (66), Riley (71), Bradley (71). CTP: Gary Bradley

Flight 2: Moore (67), Lenny (69), Angeloni (73). CTP: JD Bamfield.

Flight 3: Westerman (62), Novi (70), Davie (70), Abel (70). CTP: Jim Heavner

Flight 4: Routsong (64), Brush (66), Reames (68). CTP: No winner.

9-Hole Golf:

Sign-ups for June Meeting:

June 24, Monday, Emerald Lakes.

July 11, Thursday, Arcade Creek Blue.

July 19, Friday, Campus Commons.

Tournament Results:

Antelope Greens, April 25.

Flight 1: Moore (24), Phelps (24), Rowland (28). CTP: Phil Phelps

Low Net Back 9: John Rowland (25)

Flight 2: Suckow (24), Ng (26), Salminen (27), Callander (27). CTP: Birge Clark

Low Net Back 9: Steve Ng (26)

Emerald Lakes, May 7.

Flight 1: Abel (33), Moore (35), Mahoney (37), Siagian (37), Phelps (37).

CTP: Jim Heavner

Flight 2: Suckow (33), Scarlett (34), Wall (36). CTP: Sam Scarlett.

Flight 3: Chapman (34), Zelinski (35), Christopherson (35). CTP: No Winner

NOTABLE JUNE DATES:

MEMBER JOIN ANNIVERSARIES

Sam Scarlett	1995
George Hood	1997
Bob Stakolich	2003
Jim DeLong	2006
Jim Coe	2009
Greg Hood	2010
Bob Stott	2016
Jim Miller	2018
Phil Phelps	2018

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Don Kehoe	1932
Moller	1939
Yeager	1940
Sutherland	1941
Mahoney	1941
Westerman	1945
Wall	1956

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Scarlett, Sam and Pat	1949
Hamon, Carroll and Betty	1954
Newell, Stan and Joy	1954
Mellon, Floyd and Jan	1955
Clark, Birge and Prudy	1955
Marquart, Gene and Judy	1958
Coe, Jim and Ethel	1960
Routsong, Gordon and Barbara	1961
Abel, Frank and Barbara	1961
Matsuo, Ben and Eileen	1962
Morehead, Wayne and Pat	1963
Semans, Frank and Sandra	1963
Rowland, John and Linda	1964
Dobrowolski, Joe and Marge	1964
Zelinski, Ray and Carol	1967
Mahoney, John and Connie	1968
Brush, Steve and Carol	1969
Harr, Richard and Phyllis	1973
Young, Gary and Susan	1973
Lenny, Paul and Debi	1979
Rogel, John and Jean	1980
Jones, Mark and Gina	1983
Mitchell, Marc and Renee	1985

2019 SIR BRANCH 23 PICNIC by Ray Zelinski

The 8th annual SIR 23 picnic was held on Tuesday, May 14. The weather was favorable, and 70 attendees seemed to enjoy the visiting, food and bingo. The golf chipping was not totally successful except for Big SIR Phil (explained later in this report).

The **usual food items**, as supplied in the past few years, consisted of KFC items including **chicken, cole slaw, kernel corn and biscuits with butter & honey**. Those menu items were supplemented with **potato salad** (Smart & Final), **baked beans** (Carol Zelinski) and **brownies** (Gary Bradley).

The **golf pitching contest** was competitive to the very end. **Big SIR Phil Sittner won the \$44 prize**, but not in the usual manner. Phil sunk one of the freebie practice shots. However, following several near misses, not one of the 25 competitors sank one of the actual "paid shots. In a fitting end to the competition, Phil was deservedly crowned the winner.

Then, there was the usual **bingo** entertainment. As usual, **Tom Novi displayed his charming personality in calling out the numbers**, and keeping the crowd "annoyed" because Tom continually "called the wrong numbers". In the end, all had a good time, but those earning a bottle of wine or one of the two \$25 Lido gift cards were just a smidgen happier. The bingo ante donations amounted \$52, which helped the club reach the breakeven goal for the event. Thank you all for this generous response.



Thanks to all those who attended. You made this event a success. And, a special thanks to those who contributed their efforts to produce the event: Rich Singer, Gary Bradley, Tom Novi, Ray Barsch, Dick Crippen, John Boss, Jerry Westerman, and Carol Zelinski. And, I hope that I didn't forget someone.



Hikes and Walks will be stimulating, easy urban walks and close by foothill hikes.
 Some of the spots we have in mind. Capitol Park Loop, William Land Park Trail, UC Davis Arboretum Trail, Effie Yeaw Nature Center Trails, Lodi Lake Nature Trail, Cosumnes River Preserve, Indian Grinding Rock Loop Trails, Windy Point Trail, Over the River and Through the Woods (Rancho Cordova).

If there is an interest or need more information just leave your name and preferred days.
**Weekdays would be non-conflicting days with other activities.*

Name: _____ Saturday Sunday *Weekday

Name: _____ Saturday Sunday *Weekday

Name: _____ Saturday Sunday *Weekday

gordoncallander@yahoo.com...or call 916-230-8622 if you have questions

ADVANCE NOTICE

SIR Branch 23 is going to be 50 years old!

To Honor this Momentous Anniversary, all Br 23 Members are invited to a celebration dinner party

Spouses and Companions are encouraged to join with us

WHEN? Thursday, September 19th

WHERE? North Ridge Country Club

TIME? 4:30 to 7:15 PM

COST? \$30 pp

MENU CHOICES? Steak, Chicken, Veggie Raviolis

No-host bar available

The program will be heavy on socializing and entertainment. The renowned SIR Country ClubAires singing group will provide the

entertainment by crooning a few old favorite tunes during our meal. A brief time will be devoted to recalling historical Branch 23 trivia to lend credibility to this momentous event.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO NOW?

Note this event on your calendar, and circle it in INK. Signups will begin at the July 10 monthly luncheon meeting.

