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Due to the coronavirus, all branch activities in the near future have been cancelled. Branch 23 officers and the state SIR officers have been in close contact, awaiting news regarding the resumption of branch activities.

There will be a virtual meeting of Branch 23 on June 10, 2020. See Little Sir Roger Riley's report in this issue, located below the Big SIR report of David Peterson.

BIG SIR REPORT:

Times have changed, and that makes the challenge of preserving those things that have made it fun to be part of Branch 23 that much more important. We are headed back that way; yesterday, we presented to SIR (the state organization) a seven page document outlining and committing to certain things that **should allow us in the near future to "RESTART"** our Branch one activity at a time. In order to facilitate this, we have a member of the BEC who reviews the Health Agencies in our surrounding counties and also reviews and reports what currently is happening with regard to COVID 19.

Communication remains paramount during this period of time, when we do not see each other in the normal places. Starting this week, members of the BEC will be calling all members to merely check in to see how things are going. Please take this opportunity, when given a chance, to ask for help if you need it, or to make a suggestion which will give an opportunity for conversation. We will share with you the knowledge we have on the start-up. We have committed to SIR that we will transfer information at least once per month from the Big Sir via email. **This is in addition to the monthly Nugget.**

In our presentation to SIR, we have committed, until further notice, a once a month **ZOOM** meeting of the BEC to conduct required administrative oversight of the branch as well as monitor all aspects of the restart. The Chairs of our different activities will be invited to those meetings. Also, we have stated that, if an urgent issue comes up, we will form an emergency **ZOOM** meeting so we can handle the problem. Once our plan is approved by SIR, all members will have a copy and when changes take place you will be notified by the Big Sir.

We all recognize that our monthly luncheon is the key to our organization. Luncheons as we have grown to know them will change for now, but in their place on the second Wednesday of each month at 12 noon, we will have a **ZOOM** meeting with a speaker and those things we have learned to expect from Branch 23 luncheons.

Please be safe. You may call me at any time at 916-768-5087. My email is davidjpeterson08@yahoo.com.

David Peterson, Big SIR

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

I hope you are well and making the best of things as we move through this COVID 19 pandemic. Since we are not allowed to meet together in large groups, the BEC decided to conduct the May general meeting using the **ZOOM** technology, in an attempt to maintain contact with you and provide SIR updates, plus have a speaker, as we usually do at our monthly luncheons. Our May meeting on **ZOOM** went reasonably well, with 39 SIR members attending. Many of you attempted to sign on to **ZOOM**, but for various reasons you were unable to do so. **We would like to have many more of you attend our June 10 meeting.** After learning from our mistakes, please note the following:

- 1. A few days prior to June 10, you will receive an email from Dave Peterson with a link to **ZOOM** inviting you to join the meeting. Please join between 11:30 11:45.
- 2. After hitting link or connecting using the meeting ID, download the **ZOOM software** if you receive a prompt to do so. You will not be able to connect to Zoom without Zoom software in your computer, phone or cable.

- 3. You do not need to have a Zoom account to "attend" the meeting on June 10th. You do need the ZOOM software in your computer. See #2.
- 4. When you click the link, you will see a prompt "Join meeting". Click and wait. You will enter the waiting room. General or Lam will let you in. We are using the waiting room to avoid uninvited guests.
- 5. The host will mute all microphones. Please leave your mic muted unless you are speaking. Remember to mute your microphone after speaking. The mic icon is in the lower left corner of your screen. Move your curser to the bottom of the screen; a row of icons should appear. The mic and camera icons are in the lower left of your screen. When you enter, your mic will be muted by the host or co-host.
- 6. If your audio feed goes out on your computer, call the following number: **1-669-900-6833. Call code 93651848997#.** Be sure your mic has a line through it on your computer screen, with an icon on the lower left of the computer screen. The line across the mic means the mic is muted.
 - 7. At the end of the meeting, go to the right bottom corner and click on "leave meeting".

If you need assistance or want to practice before the June meeting, send General Davie an email at gernaldavie@comcast.com, or call 916-952-3081.

Our speaker for the May meeting was Gladys Callander, who gave a presentation on her 502 mile trek from Southern France to Northern Spain. Her talk included spectacular photos of the regional architecture and local landscape. I received many positive reviews from her presentation.

Our speaker for the June meeting will be Alan Baker. Alan's presentation is titled "Stay safe on the internet". His talk is even more important today as we become more dependent on the internet for information and communication. Alan is a member of the State SIR Information systems and is assisting SIR branches on how to hold meetings on **ZOOM**.

Please mark your calendar for **June 10**, so you will be able to attend the next general meeting. Our success and survival as an organization is dependent on you staying active and involved as we wade through these uncertain times.

Roger Riley Little SIR, Branch 23

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking)	March 1, 2020	\$6,114.09
Beginning Petty Cash		400.00
Funds Received:		-0-
Funds Disbursed		298.75
Ending Checking Balance	March 31, 2020	5,815.34
Ending Savings Balance		0
Ending Petty Cash		400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash	h) March 31, 2020	\$6,215.34

SUNSHINE REPORT: by Chris Christopherson

As always, I request the assistance of members in reporting any illnesses of our members. Please keep me informed of any deaths, illnesses, or other medical problems of our members so I can publish them in the bulletin.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Phil Sittner

Membership Status: 154, including one Senior HLM and two HLM's.

Deletions: None

New members inducted in May: Ron Slusher

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

Ron Slusher 8348 Newbridge Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610-0865

Phone #916-303-0330 Email: rslusher@gmail.com

Ron was born May 4, 1953. He is married to Pam and was a configuration/data manager at Krate's Unmanned Aerial Systems. Ray's interests include woodworking, golf, hiking, fishing and RV'ing. He was officially installed on May 13, 2020 during a special Zoom virtual BEC session. His badge number is 109 and he was sponsored by Phil Sittner. Ron's dad was a member of SIR in the Sunnyvale area. He wishes to receive his Nugget bulletin via email.

(editor's note.) Since we are not meeting as a group at the Elk's Club at this point, no picture of Ron was available. His photograph will run in a later edition of the Nugget.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

PICNIC OBITUARY NOTICE by Ray Zelinski

I am sorry to report that the 9th Annual SIR 23 Picnic is dead, a victim of COVID-19 restrictions imposed by our parent SIR Org, the Governor's office and Sacramento County. It was on life support for a couple of months while we optimistically hoped for a May 28 event at Carmichael Park.

We will possibly consider a resurrected life for the picnic in September if a vaccine miracle develops. Otherwise, it is "wait til next year" like so many other activities.

Branch 23 Logo Shirts:

Greg Hood reports that the SIR logo shirts that many of you ordered, some of which were paid for, have been made, and are all at Greg's house, waiting for a good way to get to their rightful owners. Greg had hoped to distribute the shirts at the first meeting after they were made, but COVID got in the way. He would be happy to have you come pick the shirts up (and pay if you haven't already), so that you would have what you ordered. Let Greg know which you prefer. Greg's number is 916-717-7874

BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

Bocce Ball, bowling, golf, and hiking activities have been suspended pending relief from the coronavirus.

Hiking:



Hike for Health * Hike for fun!

It's time to get out of the house, hit the trail, breathe fresh air, soak up the sun and revel in our abundant natural beauty. There are too many hiking opportunities to list here. Go to the following link www.alltrails.com and find that perfect hike.

NOTABLE MEMBER DATES FOR JUNE:

MEMBER JOIN DATES:

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

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

MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Scarlett, Sam and Pat	06/25/1949
Hamon, Carroll and Betty	06/13/1954
Newell, Stan and Joy	06/19/1954
Mellon, Floyd and Jan	06/05/1955
Clark, Birge and Prudy	06/10/1955
Marquart, Gene and Judy	06/28/1958
Coe, Jim and Ethel	06/18/1960
Routsong, Gordon and Barbara	06/17/1961
Abel, Frank and Barbara	06/24/1961
Matsuo, Ben and Eileen	06/10/1962
Morehead, Wayne and Pat	06/081963
Semans, Frank and Sandra	06/29/1963
Rowland, John and Linda	06/16/1964
Dobrowolski , Joe and Marge	06/20/1964
Zelinski, Ray and Carol	06/17/1967
Smith, Don and Jane	06/24/1967
Mahoney, John and Connie	06/29/1968
Brush, Steve and Carol	06/28/1969
Harr, Richard and Phyllis	06/10/1973
Young, Gary and Susan	06/17/1973
Ferguson, Mark and Terry	06/17/1978
Lenny, Paul and Debi	06/29/1979
Rogel, John and Jean	06/15/1980
Jones, Mark and Gina	06/29/1983
Mitchell, Marc and Renee	06/29/1985
Nguyen, Lam and Peggy	06/11/1989

The editor wants to remind everyone that every golf shot is a good shot— for somebody.