



EL DORADO BRANCH NO. 23

The NUGGET, March, 2020
Volume XLVIII, No. 3

BIG SIR	LITTLE SIR	SECRETARY	ASST. SECRETARY	TREASURER	ASST. TREASURER
David Peterson 916-967-4584	Roger Riley 916-803-028	John Boss 916-961-9835	General Davie 916-961-3199	Jim Coe 916- 967-7361	Don Landsittel 916 900-8013

DIRECTORS

Gordon Routsong JD Bamfield Ray Zelinski Phil Sittner Gordon Callander Jerry Westerman

State President: Ed Benson 925-943-7011 Region One Director: Mark Stuart 916-218-2287
Area 3 Governor: Kevin Mahoney 916-835-7855

Committee chairmen:

Activities: Gordon Callander 230-8622	Starter: John Mahoney 988-4430
Attendance: Dave Nemzek 481-7173	Golf - 9 Holes Steve Ng 903-8445
Awards: Ray Barsch 481-1122	Tournament Dir: Steve Ng
Bowling: Frank Semans 944-2313	Scheduler: George Hood 736-2056
Bulletin Editor: Paul Domyancic 456-6549	Treasurer: Open
Asst. Editor: Odell Landers 457-3002	
Golf Handicapper: Bill Sutherland 481-2137	Historian: Bill Sutherland 481-2137
Golf- 18 holes: Cass Mastalski 925-2523	Membership: Phil Sittner 790-8948
Tournament Dir: Gary Bradley 967-2523	Assistant: Lam Nguyen 335-0357
Treasurer: Scott Kenney 965-1333	Sunshine: Chris Christopherson 283-6999

**BR. 23 website: sir23.org Webmaster: Gordon Callander
gordoncallander@yahoo.com**

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

The March meeting will be on the second Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at the Elk's Club in Carmichael.

Please call Dave Nemzek (916-333-4102) by March 5, 2020 if you cannot attend the meeting. That is the Thursday before the March luncheon 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 March 5, 2020.

BIG SIR REPORT :

At our February luncheon we had 115 attendees, keeping Branch 23 attendance in the 70% plus range, representative of a growing branch. We inducted two new members on February 12th and also had four visitors at our lunch, with hopes that they will show up as members in March. Our February new members were Dave Irish (Randy Angeloni, sponsor) and Don Smith (Paul Domyancic, sponsor). Welcome to Branch 23, Dave and Don.

Jim Coe, our treasurer, reports good collections on our membership dues and is looking forward to 100% participation by the March lunch. If you have not taken care of your dues, please do so by the March lunch.

Golf has had a great start with high participation and great weather. Cass, Gary, and Steve, supported by a complete team, have put together great schedules. Please support the program by communicating promptly when you have to cancel and with timely play on the course.

Bocce starts 10:30 March 9th and we will be playing every other Monday. Our Bocce schedule this year adds two late afternoon get togethers in Fair Oaks Village, as well as two evenings with wives and wine at the Dante courts. As we grow, we will need new activities; speak up if you have ideas.

Our annual picnic will be at Carmichael Park on May 28th and the BEC voted to have our Christmas Ladies Day Luncheon on December 9th, 2020 at the Red Hawk Casino. Mark your calendar for those events. We will be participating in the Golf Equipment Show at Haggin Oaks Golf Complex in April, as we did last year.

On the immediate agenda is selection of a new Honorary Lifetime Member to be selected by the BEC to replace the late Hal Mattson. We are putting together the elements for this and will complete it in a timely manner.

David Peterson, Big SIR

LITTLE SIR REPORT

Carol Brush, the spouse of fellow member Steve Brush, is actively involved in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). One of the many activities of the DAR organization is to pay tribute to our courageous veterans who were part of our country's previous wars and conflicts. During the April meeting, Carol would like to recognize our fellow Branch 23 SIR members who are veterans and who have served our country. At our March meeting I will ask all of you veterans to provide some information regarding your military service, in preparation for the April meeting.

Our speaker for March is Gene Hamner. Gene graduated from Humboldt State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Management in 1967. The following year he entered the U.S. Air Force, graduating from pilot training at Webb Air Force Base, Texas, in 1970. He then requested an assignment flying Cessna 0-2A's as a Forward Air Controller in Vietnam. He then volunteered to fly the truck interdiction mission on the Ho Chi Minh trail in Laos. In 1971, Gene volunteered for a top secret operation in Laos known as "The Ravens." Gene was "Raven 12." This was from August, 1971 to April, 1972.

In April, 1972, Gene returned to the U.S. and was stationed at McChord AFB, Washington, flying C-141 jet transports. Following his Air Force career, Gene began crop dusting in San Joaquin County in 1975 and retired from flying and crop dusting in 2008. During this time, he owned two crop dusting businesses, Ag-Flight and San Joaquin Air. (Continued on page 3)

While in the Air Force in 1973, Gene married his wife Rebecca. They have a daughter and are proud grandparents of 3 year old twin boys.

I'm sure you will find Gene's presentation compelling, informative, and informational as we recognize our veterans who gallantly served our country during this war.

?????????log?? ?????

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe

Beginning Balance (Checking) December 1, 2019	\$4,471.25
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	4,859.00
Funds Disbursed	3,162.73
Ending Checking Balance December 31, 2019	6,167.52
Ending Savings Balance	0
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) December 31, 2019	\$6,567.52

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: 152, including one Senior HLM and two HLM's.

Deletions: Two, Joe Sandhu (resigned), Harold Mattson (deceased, HLM)

New members inducted in February: Dave Irish, sponsor Randal Angeloni
Donald Smith, sponsor Paul Domyancic

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

Donald Smith

510 Meister Way, Sacramento, CA 95819-2026
Phone # 916-205-1773 E-mail: janepsmith6645@gmail.com

Don was born April 13, 1942. He is married to Jane and is a retired teacher. Don's interests include woodworking and reading. He became a member on February 12, 2020 and was assigned badge #27. His sponsor was Paul Domyancic. Don wishes to receive his newsletter by mail.



Dave Irish

1892 Levi Straus Ct, Gold River, CA 95670-7867
Phone # 916-207-7437 E-mail: dave.irish@gmail.com



Dave was born January 16, 1955. Dave’s wife is Sandy. Dave retired on March 1, 2015 from JP Morgan Chase where he was a banker. He became a member on February 12th, and was assigned badge number 31. He wishes to receive his newsletter electronically.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

The annual picnic has been scheduled for May 29, 2020, at the usual location, Carmichael Park. While no price has been set, you can count on the usual festivities, including a good lunch, the golf pitching contest, and the bingo game. This event is, of course, open to wives and significant others. There is a flyer regarding the picnic at the end of this bulletin.

Also scheduled is the annual Christmas Luncheon, again to be held at Red Hawk Casino on December 9, 2020. Much more information will be available for this event later in the year.

BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:



Bocce for the new year will begin at 10:30 am, March 9, at the Dante Club. The schedule will be two Mondays per month through September. See the BIG SIR monthly letter (above) for other bocce ball information.

[http://www.bocceball.com/branch23/branch23.html](#)

ISCrT, CI @

by Frank Semans.

SIR League High Score	scratch	None	Game	Series
80+	1/21/20	Frank Semans	222	
	handicap		Game	Series

55-72			
73-79			
80+	1/21/20	Frank Semans	280

200 + games bowled by:	1/14/20	Derek Rudkin	220
	1/21/20	Frank Semans	222
	1/21/20	Mike Holmgren	214
	1/21/20	Anthony Tipton	214
	1/21/20	Derek Rudkin	224
	1/21/20	Gordon Hubble	205
	1/28/20	Gordon Hubble	217

Week 23 2/11/20 SIR Bowling League 2019 (26 Teams)

Branch 23 Team Standings:

		Won	Lost	Place
Dream Team (16)	(Div 2)	53	39	2
Hereth(?), Nielsen, Benson (Br ?), Riker (Br ?)				
Groovers: (22)	(Div 3)	42	50	3
Semans, Siagian, Wall, Rodriguez				
Old Farts (2)	(Div 4)	53	39	3
Naquin, Blaszkowski, Jackson (?), Vacant				
Alley Oops (25)	(Div 3)	41	51	5
Hamon, Zelinski, Wright (?), Weaver (?)				
High Five (13)	(Div 4)	28 1/2	63 1/2	6
Tipton, Sharp (?), Bergstrom (?), Owre (?)				
Pin Splitters (5)	(Div 3)	42	50	4
Elkins, Hall (?), Holland (?), Gruen (?)				
Soaring Eagles (9)	(Div 2)	52 1/2	39 1/2	3
Rudkin, Holmgren, Pruitt (?), Hodson (?)				
Star Trek (24)	(Div 1)	47	55	4
Country Rollers (12)	(Div. 1)	46	46	5

			Game	Series
Honor Roll - Exceptional:	Week 19	Joe Rodriguez	187 +45	520 + 94
	Week 20	Mike Holmgren	214 +55	556 + 79
	Week 20	Derek Rudkin	224 +55	585 + 78
	Week 23	Joe Rodriguez		500 + 74

Exceptional is 70+ over average game &/or series.

Above average:

40+ over average game &/or/Series

		Game	Series
Week 19	Derek Rudkin	220 + 52	545 + 41
Week 20	Anthony Tipton	214 + 48	557 + 59
Week 20	Carroll Hamon	174 + 40	449 + 47
Week 20	Steve Porter	198 + 51	
Week 20	Dave Naquin		462 + 57
Week 20	Ray Zelinski		420 + 54
Week 20	Frank Semans	222 + 62	
Week 20	Gordon Hubble		570 + 57
Week 21	Gordon Hubble	217 + 46	
Week 22	Paul Elkins		399 + 45
Week 22	Steve Porter		504 + 60
Week 22	Carroll Hamon	181 + 47	
Week 23	Steve Porter		488 + 41
Week 23	Frank Semans		517 + 40
Week 23	Ray Zelinski	170 + 41	

GOLF REPORT:

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/

The following signups will be at the February luncheon.

18 hole golf:

Signups for April::

April 1, Ancil Hoffman, 9am, ind/Dual tees
April 15, Mather, 8am shotgun start, ind/Dual tees
April 22, Davis, 9:30, Ind/Dual Tees
April 29, MacKenzie, 9:06 am, Ind/Dual Tees

18 hole tournament results:

Bartley Cavanaugh, February 5:

1st Flight: Bradley 64, Landsittel 65, Adge, 67. CTP: Bradley
2nd Flight: Dutcher 64, S. Kenney 65, Jones 66. CTP: S. Kenney
3rd Flight: DeLong 62, Pruss 65, Young 66. CTP: Singer
4th Flight: Christopherson 56, Murrell 58, Brush 59. CTP: Mohler

MacKenzie, February 19:

3 Oaks Tees:

1st Flight: Ahders 61, Schmidt 69, Biesanz 70, CTP: Ahders
2nd Flight: J. Rodriguez 62, Angeloni 65, Tipton 66, CTP: Jones

2 Oaks Tees:

1st Flight: Zarzana 64, Pruss 65, Davie 67, CTP: Hanamura
2nd Flight: Stakolich 65, Landers 66, Scarlett 66, CTP: Salminen

9 hole golf:

Sign-ups for April:

April 3, Friday, Bradshaw Ranch, 9:30am
April 9, Thursday, Emerald Lakes, 8:15am
April 20, Monday, Arcade Creek, Back 9, 8:30am
May 1, Antelope Greens, 9am

Bill Sutherland

HIKING: Thursday March 19th..... Save the date.

THE CAPITAL MALL walk is cancelled!!!

We have decided instead to take a chance on good weather and hike the **Johnny Cash Trail**, which is a 6.3 mile loop. The **Johnny Cash Trail** connects to the **Folsom Lake Trail** by way of a new bike/pedestrian overcross, beautifully inspired by the architecture of nearby Folsom Prison. Along the trail, eight larger than life public art pieces will tell the story of Johnny Cash, his connection to Folsom Prison, and his epic musical career. Visitors will have an opportunity to enrich the experience using smartphone apps and audio designed to bring each art piece to life as it incorporates Cash's music, historical documentary information, and interactive elements.

Gordon Callander

NOTABLE MEMBER DATES FOR MARCH

MEMBER JOIN DATES:

Murrell, Gail	2002
LeDoux, Bill	2003
Morehead, Wayne	2004
Anderson, Bob	2007
Siagian, Marwan	2008
Yeager, Bob	2009
Jones, Mark	2015
Westerman, Jerry	2016
Retterer, Ron	2017
Breien, Doug	2018
Rodriguez, Don	2018
Brunton, David	2019
Rinaldi, Barney	2019

MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Crippen, Dick and Barbara	1958
Pennington, Dallas and Merrily	1959
Monteverde, Jim and Sarah	1964
Nemana, Gopal and Vijaya	1967
Phelps, Phil and Janet	1973
Fotopoulos, Phil and Soula	1984
Yeager, Bob and Carol	1984
Kopf, Buzz and Sheila	1985
Riley, Roger and Karen	1993

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Kenney, Bob	1923
Newell, Stan	1932
Matsuo, Ben	1935
Crippen, Dick	1937
Whitcomb, Bernie	1937
Zarzana, George	1940
Dobrowolski, Joe	1940
Routsong, Gordon	1941
McGuire, Bill	1943
Henley, Wayne	1945
Jarvis, John "Rocky"	1947
Lenny, Paul	1948
Vijitakula, Paul	1948
Lum, Wes	1949
Porter, Steve	1952
Mancarti, Brian	1954

Fellow SIR 23 Members

The ANNUAL BRANCH 23 PICNIC

is on the horizon

The date is Thursday, May 28 at lunchtime
The location is Carmichael Park Pavilion

**Enjoy KFC chicken, potato salad, coleslaw,
baked beans, brownies, bingo,
golf chipping contest and socializing.**

Don't miss out on the fun

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW

More details later; signups at the April & May luncheon