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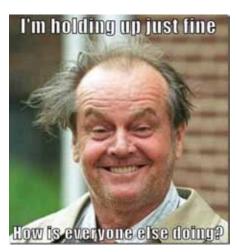
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Due to the coronavirus, all branch activities in the near future have been cancelled. Branch 23 officers and the state SIR officers have been in close contact, awaiting news regarding the resumption of branch activities.



BRANCH 23 SIRS BIG SIR REPORT

I was told that within the next few days the State SIR President will be forwarding to the branch BEC a clear and concise directive/notice of what will be expected from us and for us in the near future. We have been holding out hope that within a short period of time we could restart some of the activities that are a big part of our lives. Your BEC met by ZOOM on April 22, hoping to stay on top of things and maybe create plans for the future. In the current climate, it is difficult to operate and move forward under our own purview, as much of our movement(s) is/are controlled by others, from the federal government on down to the state SIR organization.

With that in mind, you should expect our leaders at the branch level to state facts as we know them, earn your trust, and project confidence.

No one enjoys perfect safety anytime, anywhere, and we find ourselves in that special group of being in the highest risk category.

Your Branch 23 leadership will maintain direct communication and see to it that decisions made are for the good of the group. We are in the process of selecting a new HLM from our membership and we continue to plan events such as our picnic that will fit the times we are currently in.

I hope to have a telephone tree manned by BEC members checking in on the wellbeing of all Branch 23 members.

Dave Peterson 916-768- 5087 davidjpeterson08@yahoo.com

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

At the BEC meeting today (April 22), we discussed ways in which we can maintain contact with our members during these times of isolation, since our luncheons have been postponed due to Covid 19. One idea proposed was to have the luncheon speaker make the presentation to our members using the **ZOOM** format. We used **ZOOM** to conduct our BEC meeting and it worked quite well. Gordon Callander's wife, Gladys, who was scheduled to be our May speaker, has graciously agreed to speak to us using **ZOOM**. Gladys, an avid hiker, will speak to us regarding her 502 mile trek from southern France to northern Italy. I'm sure you will find her presentation informative and her photos breathtaking. Her

presentation will be made on May 13, the same day as our scheduled luncheon. More information will be forthcoming as to the actual time for her talk and the procedures to follow to set up your computer for her presentation on **ZOOM**.

Roger Riley, Little SIR

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking)	March 1, 2020	\$6,904.99
Beginning Petty Cash		400.00
Funds Received:		2,002.00
Funds Disbursed		2,792.90
Ending Checking Balance	March 31, 2020	6,114.09
Ending Savings Balance		0
Ending Petty Cash		400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash	h) March 31, 2020	\$6,514.09

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.

IN MEMORIAM: GENE AND JIM

We unfortunately lost two highly regarded gentlemen from our Br. 23 ranks in April. Member **Gene Reames** and former member & **PBS Jim Jackson** passed away recently.

Gene died on April 5 at age 71 after a brief battle with variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (vCJD). Gene played SIR golf as recently as a couple of months ago at Bing Maloney. vCJD attacks the brain, is fast acting and is always fatal. Gene had a 30-year career as an anesthesiologist at Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento. He was very accomplished in his field, and was well regarded both nationally and internationally because of his unselfish contributions to the service of others. Gene was a wonderful person, and fun to play golf with. He was a 2-year member, having joined Br 23 in April, 2018. He will be dearly missed.

Jim died on April 2 at age 98. He has resided at Eskaton for the past several years. He resigned from Br. 23 in Sep 2019 when he developed ambulatory problems and moved into assisted living at Eskaton. Jim was a 35-year member of Br. 23, and served as Big SIR in 1989 during his 5th year of membership. Jim enlisted in the Army and participated in the liberation of the Dachau concentration camp in Germany as WW II was nearing its end. After returning to civilian life, he returned to work for PT&T (Pac Bell) for 40 years, retiring in 1982. Jim enjoyed the outdoors, especially skiing and golfing. Jim's wife, Anneliese, passed away in Dec 2010 after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's. Jim was a true gentleman and will also be greatly missed.

There is no word on any pending services for either Gene or Jim. We will let you know if we learn of services for either one following the lifting of Coronavirus restrictions. May they both RIP. **Ray Zelinski**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Phil Sittner

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

Deletions: One, Gene Reames, Deceased

New members inducted in April: John Raymond

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

John Raymond

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John was born on September 26, 1957. He is married to Corrine and was an IT assistant manager at Aerojet. John's interests include woodworking, swimming, playing drums, fishing, and solving puzzles. He was officially installed on April 22, 2020, during a special virtual BEC session conducted on ZOOM. His badge number is 148 and John was sponsored by Phil Phelps. He wishes to receive his Nugget bulletin via email. (John's picture will appear when we can all congregate together again. ed.)

BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

ANNUAL PICNIC???

by Ray Zelinski

I am remaining optimistic that restrictions will be lifted in May and we will enjoy our SIR 23 picnic on Thursday, May 28.

How likely will this happen? Realistically it's a long shot. **Three** things need to happen:

- 1. The parent SIR ORG needs to allow SIR activities to resume.
- 2. Carmichael Recreation and Parks needs to open the gates at Carmichael Park
- 3. 6-foot spacing needs to be discontinued.

Should those three things actually be resolved by mid-May, we can organize and convene in quick order. A picnic would be a fine way to begin a return to normal.

Doesn't a KFC picnic in the park sound good? Keep the May 28 date open on your calendars, and let's hope for the best.

BRANCH 23 SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

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

GOLF REPORT: 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/.

When the Covid 19 restrictions are lifted, the signup information for rescheduled tournaments and resumption of the existing schedule will be provided by the Tournament Directors, Gary Bradley and Steve Ng.

Tournament Results: (tournaments held prior to the Covid 19 lockdown)

18-Hole Golf:

Bing Maloney, Feb 26, Big Sir Championship Event #3

Flight 1: Caldwell (68), Don Rodriguez (69), Battistessa (70). CTP: Espinosa

Flight 2: Joe Rodriguez (62), Tipton (66), Kenney (69). CTP: No winner.

Flight 3: Boss (59), Davie (65), DeLong (67). CTP: Phil Phelps

Flight 4: Routsong (68), Scarlett (69), Mohler (69). CTP: No winner

Diamond Oaks, March 4, League Championship Event #1

Flight 1: Schmidt (64), Bradley (70), Shilliday (70). CTP: Don Landsittel

Flight 2: Jones (65), Rowland (67), Kenney (68). CTP: Tony Tipton

Flight 3: Phelps (62), Pennington (64), Boss (68). CTP: Mike Pruss

Flight 4: Callander (61), Frank (64), Mohler (65), Lenny (65). CTP: Steve Ng

9-Hole Golf:

Bradshaw Ranch, February 28.

Flight 1: Abel (20), Pennington (23), Siagian (25), Moore (25).

CTP: Marwan Siagian

Flight 2: Clark (18), Callander (22), Tipton (24). CTP: Birge Clark

Arcade Creek Red, March 12.

Flight 1: Heavner (32), Sittner (32), Westerman (32). CTP: Phil Sittner

Flight 2: Nemana (34), Suckow (35), Scarlett (35). CTP: Steve Ng

Flight 3: Frank (32), Hamon (33), Clark (33). CTP: No winner

NOTABLE MEMBER DATES FOR MAY:

MEMBER JOIN DATES:

Jim Monteverde	2003
Bill Sutherland	2003
Bob Nielsen	2005
Neil Fairhurst	2006
Steve Schmidt	2006
Paul Domyancic	2011
Dave Naquin	2011
Bill Abalona	2017
Mike Pruss	2017
Joe Dobrowolski	2018
Wes Lum	2018
Jean Brown	2019
Bob Mohler	2019

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Dennis Shimek	1937
Paul Askelson	1937
Larry Storlie	1937
Jim Coe	1938
Barry Nelson	1938
Frank Semans	1939
Neil Fairhurst	1941
Mike Holmgren	1943
Marwan Siagian	1945
Phil Sittner	1948
Mike Pruss	1950
Dana Hamilton	1951
Gordon Hubble	1953
Lam Nguyen	1953
Bob Stott	1957

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Graebe, Fred and Hilde	1955	Elkins, Paul and Tanya	1978
Breien, Doug and Fran	1960	Ng, Steve and Debby	1985
Yamamoto, George and Harumi	1967	Hanamura, Mike and Lynn	1993
Peterson, David and Elaine	1975	Laumer, Jerry and Pat	2004
Rinaldi, Barney and Gail	1976		

Please remember our first responders! (ed.)