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Golf- 18 holes: Cass Mastalski	925-2523	Membership: Phil Sittner	790-8948
Tournament Dir: Gary Bradley	967-2523	Assistant: Lam Nguyen	335-0357
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Monthly meetings are generally held at the Carmichael Elks Club on Cypress Avenue. Due to the Covid 19 epidemic, Branch 23 meetings are currently being held on the ZOOM platform.

The March, 2021 meeting will be held on the second Wednesday, the 10th. Details for access to the Zoom meeting will be announced to our membership a few days prior to the 10th.



**Don't Miss Our Lunch Meeting on
Wednesday, March 10th
11:30 P.M. Social , 12 P.M. Meeting**

Please join us for an enlightening, exciting and fun ZOOM meeting. Lee Greenwood will lead in the Pledge of Allegiance, Big Sir Roger will present more funny stuff. Sandi Patty will captivate you with her electrifying rendition of God Bless America.

Our Special Guest Speaker

Ms. Arianne Otegaray, our very engaging and informative guest speaker.

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Lee Greenwood
Music Icon &
Sacramento native
will lead us in
The Pledge



Big SIR
Roger Riley
Funny Stuff



Sandi Patty's
Stunning Rendition
of
God Bless America



More Funny Stuff
by Big SIR
Roger Riley



Our March speaker is Ms Arianne Ortegaray. She comes to us from GRID Alternatives where she is the Development & Strategic Partnerships Manager. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a business degree and has worked for the USDA, NSF, CA High Speed Rail and, for the last 2 years, GRID Alternatives. At GRID she works to develop the relationships that help GRID attain their mission and secure financial sustainability for its projects. She is here to inform us of GRID's programs which have a threefold impact of contributing to local economic development, advancing social justice efforts, and reducing carbon emissions. Arianne is a very engaging speaker.



BIG SIR REPORT:

As California and the nation gain control of the coronavirus, I was amazed with the numbers of fellow SIRS who have been vaccinated. When I polled the members at our general meeting on Zoom in February, over 60% of those in attendance had received at least one shot for Covid 19. That was wonderful information and I was envious at the time, since I was still searching for a vaccine site. Fortunately, my wife and I were vaccinated 3 days later at Urgent Care. I will poll our members at our general meeting on March 10 and I am optimistically predicting our vaccination rate will be 90%.

Dallas Pennington and Dave Brunton are co-chairs for the 2022 Membership Committee. Their task is to provide the slate of recommended officers/chairs for 2022 to the BEC at the May BEC meeting. Next year, our branch will have a few committee and board positions that will need to be filled. I urge you, if you are contacted by Dave or Dallas, to keep an open mind and show your willingness to assist in the leadership of our branch. As you know, the viability of an organization is dependent on new voices and fresh ideas.

Jim Coe reported to me that the 2021 dues are **SLOWLY** trickling in. As of February 19, only 38% of our members have paid their dues. Please send your check made out to "SIR Branch 23" to Jim Coe as soon as you can. Remember, when we finally meet again in person at the Elk's Club, your first lunch is free! In case you can't remember if you have paid or not, a list has been provided for your review. Stay safe and I will see you on March 10th.

Badge numbers of paid members:

5, 12, 16, 27, 28, 30, 33, 39, 40, 43, 50, 52, 54, 56, 59, 69, 72, 73, 75, 77, 78, 84, 86, 91, 97, 98, 100, 107, 109, 111, 113, 116, 117, 132, 140, 141, 142, 145, 146, 149, 151, 153, 155, 162, 164, 169, 178, 179, 180, 186, 188, 193, 195, 210, 217, 218, 219, 228.

Badge numbers of unpaid members:

Members whose badge numbers are not listed above have either not paid their 2021 dues, or paid them after February 19th, 2021, the date this report was written.

Roger Riley, Big SIR

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

Congratulations to Paul Elkins and Dell Fystrom, January's wine drawing winners. Also to Rich Singer and Phil Phelps, February's wine winners. Enjoy!!

I hope you all enjoyed a very informative presentation by Taylor Lewis, the Manager of the UC Davis Arboretum and Public Gardens. As a master gardener, his talk about garden preparation, plant selection and garden care were very enlightening and just in time for spring planting. He has provided a copy of his presentation to me for sharing with those interested. He has also provided a link "<https://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/apg-events>" to the UCD native plants sale which pays for students and volunteers to study plantings and gardens in our area.

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JD Bamfield, Little SIR

TREASURER'S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) January 1, 2021	\$5,706.89
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	175.00
Funds Disbursed	128.29
Ending Checking Balance January 31, 2021	5,753.60
Ending Savings Balance	- 0-
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) Dec. 31, 2020	\$6,153.60

DUES ARE DUE

As Big Sir Roger Riley noted in his report, dues for calendar year 2021 are now due and payable. Please send a check to treasurer Jim Coe for \$25 for the yearly dues. His address is 4313 Wood Estates Ct., Fair Oaks, CA., 95628-6727. Make the check payable to: SIRS Branch 23.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Phil Sittner MARCH, 2021

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

Deletions: Jim Heavner

New members inducted in February: Robert Carisoza, Sponsor Scott Kenney

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

Robert L Carisoza 1416 Potrero Way, Sacramento, CA 95822-1947

Phone # 916-600-6101 E-mail: rcarisoza@gmail.com

Robert was born October 17, 1947. He is not married and worked as an administrative law judge for the Department of Health Services. He became a member on February 10th, 2021 and wishes to receive his Nugget via email. His badge number is 216. Robert's interests include hiking, gardening and road trips.

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.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES:

As noted on Page 1, the next virtual meeting will be on Zoom, at **11:30 on MARCH 10, 2021**. A link will be provided to you prior to the meeting. As always, if you need any assistance, please call one of the following zoom team members:

General Davie **916-961-3199**
JD Bamfield **916-757-2676**
Lam Nguyễn **916-335-0357**

OTHER BRANCH NEWS: SirBranch23@googlegroups.com. Please do not use this website unless you want to communicate with all of the Branch 23 members at the same time. Lam Nguyen has been streamlining our ability to contact members via email, and this site is the result of his labor.

Branch 23 Sports Activities:

Bocce Ball has no start date, as by State Sir directive, we cannot play this sport at this time due to Covid 19 considerations.

Bowling: There is no new information regarding a start for bowling.

GOLF Report by 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/.

2021 Schedule: The golf schedule for 2021 is complete, and has been posted to the website and also emailed out. Until we are able to resume our normal lunch schedule, signups for tournaments will be directly by email or phone to Gary Bradley and Steve Ng. They will send out emails to announce the signup schedule each month.

Upcoming Tournaments:

18 hole league:

March 3, Diamond Oaks, League Championship Nbr. 1
March 18, Wildhawk (Thursday)
March 24, Dry Creek
March 30, Ancil Hoffman (Tuesday)
April 7, Mather
April 21, Davis

9 hole League:

March 11, Arcade Creek, Red
March 22, William Land Park
April 2, Bradshaw Ranch
April 15, Emerald Lakes
April 19, Arcade Creek, Blue

Good News!

Tournament Director Steve Ng is launching partner's golf. Your partner is invited play as a very special guest on the following courses, Bradshaw Ranch, Land Park and Emerald Lakes. The first partner's tournament will be at Bradshaw Ranch on Friday, February 26th



Tournament Results:

18 Hole League:

Bartley Cavanaugh, Feb. 3, Big Sir Championship Nbr. 1

Flight 1: Biesanz (65), Brunton (67), Don Rodriguez (69). CTP: Bill Espinosa
Flight 2: Kegarise (66), Angeloni (68), Boutros (68). CTP: Scott Dutcher
Flight 3: Askelson, (66), Pruss (68), Pennington (69), Riley (69), CTP: Roger Riley
Flight 4: Lenny (63), Landers (65), DeLong (68). CPT: Jim DeLong

MacKenzie, Feb 17, Big Sir Championship Nbr. 2

Flight 1: Biesanz (66), Schmidt (70), Shilliday (71), Caldwell (71). CTP: David Biesanz
Flight 2: Kegarise (68), Westerman (69), Marquez (71). CTP: No winner
Flight 3: Hamilton (66), Zarzana (68), Domyancic (71). CTP: No winner
Flight 4: Nemzek (68), Lenny (68), Brush (69), Nemana (69) Peterson (69). CTP: Sam Scarlett

HIKING: Please join us for our first hike of the season on Thursday, March 25th, at 9 am. We will be hiking Western States Calcutta Falls, a 2.2 mile picturesque walk. Rated easy

and excellent by Alltrails. For additional information, go to our website sir23.org, click on activities then click on the Calcutta Falls box. An eflyer with complete information will be sent around the 15th of March. Call me if you have any questions. Please note that many of our hikes have parking areas which require a parking fee, usually payable in cash in the form of "self pay" and usually in exact change only. Brian Benner 916-747-1139

ROSTER CHANGES:

SIR Branch 23 New Member Information:

Last Name:	First Name:	Phone:	Email:
Doolittle	Jim	916-995-2533	jdoolittle@surewest.net
Carisoza	Robert	916-600-6101	rcarisoza@gmail.com

SIR Branch 23 SEPARATED MEMBERS:

Hood, George	Resigned
Storlie, Larry	Deceased
Heavner, Jim	Resigned

Please use the above information to update your 2021 rosters.

NOTABLE DATES FOR MARCH:

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

Crippen, Dick and Barbara	1958
Pennington, Dallas Merrily	1959
Nemana, Gopal and Vijaya	1967
Adge, Fred and Cindy	1972
Phelps, Phil and Janet	1973
Fotopoulos, Phil and Soula	1984
Kopf, Buzz and Sheila	1985
Riley, Roger and Karen	1993

MEMBER JOIN DATES:

Newell, Stan	1998
Murrell, Gail	2002
LeDoux, Bill	2003
Anderson, Bob	2007
Siagian, Marwan	2008
Jones, Mark	2015
Westerman, Jerry	2016
Retterer, Ron	2017
Breien, Doug	2018
Rodriguez, Don	2018
Brunton, David	2019
Rinaldi, Barney	2019
Palabrica, Paul	2020
Sickels, "Chuck"	2020

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
Sickels, "Chuck"	1942
Henley, Wayne	1945
Jarvis, Rocky	1947
Lenny, Paul	1948
Williams, Ralph	1948
Vijitakula, Paul	1948
Lum, Wes	1949
Porter, Steve	1952
Mancarti, Brian	1954

STAY SAFE!