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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 April, 2021 meeting will be held on the second Wednesday, the 14th. 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, April 14th
11:30 P.M. Social , 12 P.M. Meeting**

Our speaker is Mr Louis Leal. He is a docent at the Jack London State Historic Park in Glen Ellen, CA. The Park is located nearby in the Sonoma Valley wine country and is a nice place for a weekend picnic or hike. Louis has written papers about Jack London and his exciting life. In his presentation he will tell us about Jack London's life and adventures. Also, about how the park named for Jack London occurred. You will learn about the interesting and exciting things to see and do inside that park.



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



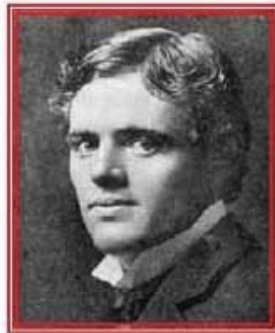
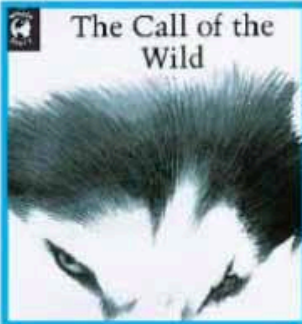
**Big SIR
Roger Riley
Funny Stuff**



**Sandi Patty's
Electrifying
Rendition of
God Bless America**



**Hilarious
Videos
by Big SIR
Roger Riley**



BIG SIR REPORT:

The Covid 19 pandemic remains an issue for us, but there are positive signs appearing on the horizon. A large majority of our members have received at least one Covid vaccine shot. In fact, when I polled the audience at our March 10 membership meeting, the response was over 80%. Another positive sign is Sacramento County has moved from the purple tier to the red tier, which means we are getting closer to being able to meet indoors again. We are not quite there yet, but we are taking steps to be ready when we get the approval to resume our monthly luncheons.

We are exploring another possible venue for our monthly luncheons. The Dante Club has expressed an interest in our branch bringing our business to their club. A committee will be meeting with the Dante Club, as well as the Elk's Club, to compare the two venues to see which one best fits our needs. I will keep you informed on the progress of the committee and its recommendation.

Last, nonpayment of the annual dues remains an issue. As of March 19th, 50 members have neglected to pay their \$25 SIR dues, which was due in January. If you have not paid, please send a check to Jim Coe, 4313 Wood Estates Ct., Fair Oaks, Ca., 95628. Continue to be safe and I hope to see you at our next Zoom meeting on April 14.

Badge numbers of paid members:

2, 3, 5, 12, 16, 23, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46, 50, 52, 54, 56, 59, 61, 62, 64, 69, 72, 73, 75, 77, 78, 79, 84, 86, 91, 92, 94, 97, 98, 99, 100, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 111, 113, 114, 116, 117, 122, 125, 127, 129, 131, 132, 136, 138, 140, 141, 142, 143, 145, 146, 148, 149, 151, 153, 155, 162, 164, 165, 167, 169, 173, 175, 176, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 185, 186, 188, 190, 192, 193, 195, 199, 201, 202, 207, 210, 216, 217, 218, 219, 228, 248.

Badge numbers of unpaid members:

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

Roger Riley, Big SIR

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

Congratulations to Steve Ng and Wes Lum, our March wine drawing winners. Bottles of wine have also been awarded to Scott Kenney and Mark Jones, for sponsoring new members Robert Carisoza and Jeff Sheline, respectively. Good work, gentlemen!

I hope you all enjoyed the presentation by Arianne Ortgaray, the Development and Partnerships Manager for GRID Alternatives Solar.

Our April speaker is Mr. Louis Leal. He is a docent at the Jack London State Historic Park in Glen Ellen. The park is located nearby, in the Sonoma Valley wine country, and is a nice place for a weekend picnic or hike. Louis has written papers about Jack London and his exciting life. In his presentation, he will tell us about Jack London's life and adventures. He will also talk about how the park named for Jack London came to be and about the interesting things to see inside the park.

I am looking for interesting topics for talks, even if you are not offering a speaker. I appreciate those who have offered topics and speakers already. Really good topics are hard to find and

coordinating for a speaker at a specific time occasionally prevents us for getting some talks. But together we can keep on trying.

JD Bamfield, Little SIR

TREASURER’S REPORT: by Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking) February 1, 2021	\$5,753.60
Beginning Petty Cash	400.00
Funds Received:	1,355.00
Funds Disbursed	727.99
Ending Checking Balance February 28, 2021	6,380.61
Ending Savings Balance	- 0-
Ending Petty Cash	400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash) Feb.28, 2021	\$6,780.61

DUES ARE OVERDUE

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 April 2021

Membership Status: 153, including two Senior HLM and three HLM’s.

Deletions: None

New member inducted in March: **Jeff Sheline**, Sponsor Mark Jones

Other Membership/Roster Changes: None

New Member Information:

Jeff Sheline

364 El Capitan Dr, Woodland, CA 95695-5858

Phone # 530-666-5869 E-mail: je ffsheline@wavecable.com

Jeff was born on July 12, 1952. He is married to Guyda and worked as a wood shop teacher for the Woodland High School District. He became a member on March 10th, 2021 and wishes to receive his Nugget via email. His badge number is 207. Jim’s interests include woodworking, sports and golf.

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 APRIL 14, 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.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES:

There are currently a couple of travel opportunities available to Branch 23 members.

One is a trip to the Holland Tulip Festival Tour, featuring Mackinac Island's Grand Hotel. This is scheduled for May 12-19, 2022.

The second is a trip to Southern California. This trip is scheduled for July, 2021.

Your contact for either trip is Bill Stires, a fellow SIR from the Turlock area. Bill has led many trips for fellow SiR members. Some Branch 23 members are signed up for the Laguna trip. Bill's contact number is 209-988-5445.

There is additional information for each of these trips at the end of this edition of the Nugget.

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 for April 2021 Nugget 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 on the website and 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:

Mar 30, Ancil Hoffman.
Apr 7, Mather
Apr 21, Davis
Apr 28, Wild Wings
May 5, Teal Bend

9-Hole League:

Apr 2, Bradshaw Ranch
Apr 15, Emerald Lakes
Apr 19, Arcade Creek, Blue
Apr 26, Antelope Greens
May 11, Emerald Lakes

Tournament Results:

18-Hole League:

Bing Maloney, Feb 24, Big Sir Championship Nr. 3.

Flight 1: Schmidt (64), Espinosa (71), Fairhurst (71). CTP: Bill Espinosa
Flight 2: Nguyen (66), Kegarise (70), Boutros (72). CTP: No Winner
Flight 3: Domyancic (69), Young (69), Pruss (70). CTP: Paul Domyancic
Flight 4: Nemzek (60), Zelinski (63), DeLong (64). CTP: Odell Landers

Diamond Oaks, March 3, League Championship Nr 1.

Flight 1: Ahders (70), Espinosa (71), Jones (73), Fairhurst (73), Battistessa (73)
CTP: Bob Ahders
Flight 2: Kegarise (67), Phelps (68), Westerman (68). CTP: Randy Angeloni
Flight 3: Hamilton (66), Askelson (69), Hanamura (70). CTP: Tam LeFebure
Flight 4: DeLong (65), Landers (67), Scarlett (67), Peterson (67).
CTP: Mike Holmgren

Wildhawk, March 18. Cancelled due to rain.

Big Sir Championship – Final Results

Long Tees: Biesanz (-12), Schmidt (-10), Kegarise (-9).
Short Tees: Nemzek (-16), Lenny (-12), DeLong (-11)

9-Hole League:

Bradshaw Ranch, February 26.

Flight 1: Siagian (24), Phelps (24), Moore (27). CTP: Del Fystrom
Flight 2: Scarlett (21), Ng (26), Peterson (26). CTP: Steve Ng

Arcade Creek Blue, March 11.

Flight 1: Singer (34), Pruss (35), Caldwell (35). CTP: David Biesanz

Flight 2: Boutros (35), Murrell (36), Peterson (40). CTP: Phil Sittner

William Land Park, March 15. (Rescheduled from March 22)

Flight 1: Domyancic (30), Phelps (32), Boutros (33). CTP: Phil Phelps

Flight 2: Hamon (30), Landers (35), Ng (35), Carisoza (35), Callander (35).

CTP: No Winner

For the new members and others who play but may have forgotten, our SIR Branch follows the rules for winter play, except they apply in the summer also.

You can bump the ball a maximum of six inches in fairways or the rough, but not closer to the hole, and not on the greens or in the sand traps.

Also, a reminder that all putts must be holed out. If you miss a short putt, do not pick the ball up, push it or swat it away from the hole in frustration. If so, you haven't finished the hole. Finish the hole. There are no "gimmes" in Br 23 tournaments.

Branch 23 rules are on our golf website, noted above.

Hiking Information:

We had a good turnout for our first hike of the season last Thursday in the Auburn area. Weather was very good and all seemed pleased by the scenery and the hiking trail. See the happy hikers in the picture below. In the upper right hand corner is Tam LeFebure.

Our second hike of the season will be held on April 22, 2021. There is a flyer below for the hike to be held in the area near Folsom Lake. More info on this easy 3.3 mile hike will be sent around April 15, 2021.

Brian Benner, btaxmanblb@aol.com 916-747-1139 or sir23.org, click on activities, then the "April" box.



Please Join Us on April 22nd at 10 a.m.

It's Time to Get Out of the House and Embrace Nature!

Granite Bay to Beals is a 3.3 mile out and back trail with a 193 feet elevation gain located near Granite Bay. Beals features a lake and is good for all skill levels. The trail is primarily used for hiking, nature trips, and bird watching. Granite Bay to Beals is Rated 4 Stars and Easy by All Trails.

HIKING

BIRD WATCHING

LAKE VIEWS



DIRECTIONS

Take I-80 E To Douglas Blvd In Roseville. Take Exit 103a From I-80 E. Follow Douglas Blvd T Continue On Douglas Blvd Continue Onto Park Rd Turn Right, Destination Will Be On The Left, Near Eureka Union Elementary School.

GPS Coordinates: 38.74339, -121.14814

Questions? Please Don't Hesitate to Call or Email Me
Brian Benner, 916-747-1139 | bxmmbh@aol.com

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
Sheline,	Jeff	530-666-5869	jeffsheline@wavecable.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.

PRESENTED BY ALAMO WORLD TRAVEL
for SIRS Area 18, Branch 143 & friends
HOLLAND TULIP FESTIVAL TOUR
FEATURING MACKINAC ISLAND'S
GRAND HOTEL
May 12-19, 2022



Feel like you've landed in Europe with the beauty of Holland and the Dutch culture all around. Relax in the crown jewel of Mackinac Island, The Grand Hotel



ESCORTED BY BILL STIRES (209) 988-5445

This is a 2022 trip. See the flyer above and the first letter below.

Hello Travelers,

Only 8 days left to receive airfare of \$249 roundtrip for this fantastic trip as March 31, 2021 is the deadline and the price will go up.

Holland Tulip Festival Tour
Featuring Mackinac Island's Grand Hotel
May 12-19, 2022

Price: \$3,565 Per Person Double Occupancy
\$4,715 Single

Price is based on a discount group airfare of \$249 roundtrip

This airfare expires on March 31, 2020, so sign up before this date.

Trip Highlights:

- Airfare into Chicago, returning from Detroit
- Gratuities for Tour Manager and Bus Driver
- Spend 1 night in Chicago with a guided tour of the city
- Attend the annual Tulip Festival in Holland, Michigan
- Visit Veldheer-DeKlomp Musiekparade (Music Parade)
- Spend 2 nights at the Grand Hotel, the crown jewel of Macinac Island
- Tour Macinac Island via a horse-drawn carriage
- Take the River Rouge Ford Factory Tour
- \$40 in Mayflower Money
- Final payment due on January 10, 2022

As this trip was cancelled it will fill up fast with all those that did not get to go on the trip in 2020.

So sign up early and get your reservation form and deposit to Bill Stires by March 31, 2021 to get this great price or call Bill Stires to reserve a spot.

The airfare could go up as much as \$500 or more on April 1, 2021.

Call Bill at 209-988-5445 or 209-544-2684 to reserve your spot.



ALAMO WORLD TRAVEL PRESENTS FOR
SIRS # 143, Area 18 and Friends



Laguna Arts Festival

Pageant of the Masters
in Southern California

July 25-28, 2021

Tour Includes

Airport transfers

Roundtrip airfare to Los Angeles

Deluxe motorcoach transportation

3-night stay at the Best Western Plus in Long Beach

Buffet breakfast each morning

Tour at Ronald Reagan Library

Gondola Cruise, Dinner at Naples Rib Company

Roundtrip transportation aboard the Catalina Express

Avalon Scenic Tour of Catalina Island

Tour of Mission San Juan Capistrano

Admission into the Sawdust Festival

Dinner at Terra Laguna Beach

Reserved Main Tier Center seats for Pageant of the Masters,

"Made in America!" Theme

Guided Los Angeles city tour

Admission into Space Shuttle Endeavour exhibit

5 Meals: Three Breakfasts and Two Dinners

Taxes on all included features

Gratuities to bus driver and step on guide

ESCORTED BY BILL STIRES (209) 544-2684 or Cell (209) 988-5445



**Early reservation is urged to insure
Main Tier Center seats at Pageant**

Several members of Branch 23 have signed up for the Laguna Arts Festival trip in July, 2021. At this time, only the Ronald Reagan Library venue remains in doubt due to Covid. An addendum to the Nugget with all the information will be sent.

Important member dates for April:

JOIN DATES:

LeFebure, Tam	2002
Rogerson, Robin	2003
Mancarti, Brian	2017
Caldwell, Curt	2018
Shilliday, Ron	2018
Biesanz, David	2019
Vijitakula, Paul	2019
Raymond, John	2020

BIRTHDAYS:

Wright, Forrest	1927
Mellon, Floyd	1932
Del Torchio, Marvin	1934
Nielsen, Bob	1936
Abel, Frank	1939
Yamamoto, George	1939
Smith, Don	1942
Findley, Dan	1947
Harr, Richard	1949
Brunton, Dave	1950
Ng, Steve	1957
Caldwell, Curt	1960

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

White, Joe and Joy	1947
Ahders, Bob and Jan	1970
Lum, Wes and Anita	1976
Raymond, John and Corrine	1981
Sickels, Charles and Gail	1982
Del Torchio, Marv and Sheri	1984
Joyce, Paul and Mary	1986
Kegarlis, Jesse and Suzanne	1986
Rogel, Al and Sue Liu	1993