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Our monthly luncheons have moved to the Dante Club for the year 2023. The Dante Club is located at 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd, Sacramento, 95825. This is across from the Pavilion Shopping Center, just east of University Avenue. Our social hour starts at 11:30am, with lunch beginning at noon. Look at the luncheon menu on the colorful activities page (4) of this Nugget issue.

2023 BRANCH 23 DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE: The directories were made available to members who attended the January luncheon. They will remain available for the next couple of luncheons if you did not pick up your copy in January. Look for them near the rear of the dining room at the end of the golf signup table.

BIG SIR REPORT:

As we began our 2023 year, we reviewed our Rules, Regulations, and Procedures that we documented last year. You can review these documents on the Sir Branch 23 website under "REFERENCE" (<https://www/branch23.sirinc2.org>).

We also begin another golf season on February 1st, so be sure to check the SIR Branch 23 website for "Activities" to sign up for golf, to see the schedule for upcoming tournaments, or to check your pairings and starting times.

We are going to try and speed up the lunches by asking the Dante Club to start serving about 12:15PM, while we are having our committee reports. Recently they have started serving at around 12:30pm. Please try to be somewhat quiet during that period when reports are given.

I also want to introduce another possible activity. Many of our members belong to various types of Service Clubs in their community, such as the Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, Elks Club, etc., where members get together to perform charitable projects and fundraisers. I would like to suggest that we consider helping them as needed. If any of these clubs need a little extra help at a fund raising event, perhaps we could help as volunteers (and wear our SIR's shirts), and not only donate a little of our time for their fund raising activity, but also get a little more exposure for our SIR's and reach out for possible new members. I would take the lead on this for now. If any of you have any ideas, suggestions, or requests for volunteers to assist Service Organizations in our area, please let me know.

I look forward to seeing you at the next luncheon on February 8th.

Jerry Westerman
Big Sir

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

Our February Speaker will be Officer John Fetterly, with the California Highway Patrol (CHP).

Our Branch 23 BEC is exploring the possibility of starting a Facebook page for Branch 23. If any members have any input regarding this project, please let me or another BEC member know. That input could involve feasibility, work involved in setting up the page, or even any pros or cons regarding a Facebook page. All input is welcome.

Mark Ashley
Little Sir

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim Coe

(Beginning Balance (Checking)	Dec.1, 2022	\$8,521.17
Beginning Petty Cash		400.00
Funds Received		959.76
Funds Disbursed		4,492.88
Ending Checking Balance	Dec. 31, 2022	4,988.05
Ending Savings Balance		- 0-
Ending Petty Cash		400.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash)	Dec. 31, 2022	\$5,388.05

Of the cash balance, \$414 is in the bocce account.

SUNSHINE REPORT: by Gordon Routsong

Gordon Callander has been diagnosed with liver cancer and is currently receiving monthly immunology therapy. He will not be attending our monthly luncheons until his body adjusts to the treatments. This will take anywhere from one to several months. His prognosis is very favorable.

He will continue to maintain the website and produce eflyers (See page 4) for anyone who needs them.

Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, please keep me apprised of anyone of our members that is ill or has had an accident. I can be reached on my cell phone, (916) 761-2080, or email lgroutsong@att.net.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR FEBRUARY NUGGET: by Ray Zelinski Jan 20, 2023

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: 152 Members including two Senior Honorary Life Members and three Honorary Life Members

DELETIONS:

None

JANUARY NEW MEMBERS: (Sponsors shown in parentheses)

None

PENDING FEBRUARY NEW MEMBERS: (Sponsors shown in parentheses)

Mark DeSalvatore (Darrell Beddard)
Dave Schlaufman (Dave Brunton)
Emmett Mahle (Dave Peterson)
Possibly two others

OTHER MEMBERSHIP/ROSTER/DIRECTORY CHANGES:

Holmgren: change email address to <holmgrenharold@yahoo.com>

New Members Information:

None to report

2023 SIR Branch 23 New Members Information:

None to report

2023 SIR Branch 23 Separated Members Information:

None to report

ACTIVITIES!



Our Luncheon and Meeting is at
The Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd, Sacramento
Our Next Delicious Luncheon,
Wednesday, February 8th
Social, Golf Sign Up, Book Exchange 11:30-12:00,
Meeting, Lunch & Speaker 12:00 to \approx1:30

Luncheon Menu
Dante House Salad
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Roasted Pork Loin /W Gravy
Seasonal Vegetables
Dinner Rolls /W Sweet Butter
Chef's Choice Dessert



GOLF
We offer the most robust golf program in the Sacramento Area. Including both 9 and 18 hole weekly tournaments held from February through November. Go to our website for details. sir23.org/activities
Gary Bradley 18 Hole



Steve Ng 9 Hole



HAPPY HIKERS and Walkers
The Humbug Willow Creek Trail
February 21st, 10 a.m.
A Fun, Easy, Flat Hike, Rated Excellent by AllTrails
Partners, Grand Kids & Friends Welcome
Contact Brian Benner, 916 -747-1139, btaxmanblb@aol.com



Book-n-Neers Book Group
Join us on February 27th at 9 a.m. for a fun filled morning!
Raleys 4840 San Juan Ave. Fair Oaks
Our book choice is 1491, A sweeping Portrait of The Americas Before Columbus
Contact Nick Catrantzos catransauce@gmail.com 916- 295-7823



BOOK EXCHANGE
Choose from 100's of titles displayed at each luncheon. Pick up as many books as you want and take your time reading, return when you have finished. Mike Pruss, Book Exchange Manager
mjkpruss@gmail.com, 916-675-2663



JOLLY HOOKERS
Two or three major fishing adventures are planned. We will be cruising the delta for stripers, salmon, sturgeon and other big tasty fish. Let me know if you would like to join the fun! Contact me 916-803-0281, rogerkriley@gmail.com or go to sir23.org/activities



Over 20 Branch members participate in a bowling league formed from Branches in the Sacramento Area. The league begins bowling in September and ends in April. Check our monthly Newsletter or contact Ray Zelinski at rczelinski@sbcglobal.net for bowling results and information during the bowling season.



BOCCE BALL
We have ongoing use of two bocce ball courts located at Carmichael Park. We will start league play February 14th. A schedule and further information is available in our newsletter or contact Dave Peterson at davidjpeterason08@yahoo.com.



Check Our Website for Travel Ideas...Sir23.org/activities

Branch 23 News:

Our new slate of Officers and Directors began their terms officially on January 1. Big Sir Jerry Westerman and David Peterson were sworn in at the January meeting, as they were not at the earlier meeting when the new board was sworn in at the November meeting.

If you have questions or suggestions for new activities, please contact any of our Officers or Directors. New activities and projects are always welcome and can be brought by members to any member of the BEC.



Past Big Sir JD Bamfield (left), with incoming Big Sir Jerry Westerman (center) and Director David Peterson at the January meeting.

BRANCH 23 SPORTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Bocce ball will return in February, 2023, per David Peterson.

FEBRUARY NUGGET BOWLING REPORT

by Ray Zelinski

Branch 23 Team Standings (Weeks 17 thru 21; Dec 20 & 27 and Jan 3 to 17):

Div 2	Dream Team 50-34	1st Place	(Jesse Kegarise & Bob Nielsen)
	Soaring Eagles 46-38	3rd Place	(Tony Pruitt, George Hodsdon, Mike Holmgren)
	One Board Left 42-42	4th Place	(Gordon Hubble)
Div 3	The Old Farts 45-39	1st Place (Tied)	(Tony Tipton, Paul Elkins)
	Oh So Close 45-39	1st Place (Tied)	(Jim Eaton, J D Bamfield)
Div 4	Groovers 40-42	2nd Place	(Joe Rodriguez, Kevin Wall, Marwan Siagian)
	Alley Oops 38-46	3rd Place	(Forrest Wright, Carroll Hamon, Ray Zelinski)
	Wizards 34-50	4th Place	(John Brown, Ralph Williams)

Branch 23 individual honors:

		<u>200+ Games</u>	<u>500+ Series</u>
Week 17	Holmgren		505
	Hubble	222	552
Week 18		No one	No one
Week 19	Holmgren		518
	Eaton		509
Week 20		No one	No one
Week 21	Pruitt	202	565
	Eaton		546

GOLF Report for February 2023 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 sb23.golfclub.net.

Upcoming Tournaments:

18 Hole League:

- Feb 1: Wildhorse, Big Sir Championship Nr 1.
- Feb 16: McKenzie, Big Sir Championship Nr. 2.
- Feb 22: Woodcreek, Big Sir Championship Nr. 3.
- Mar 3: Bartley Cavanaugh
- Mar 15: Davis
- Mar 22: Diamond Oaks, League Championship Nr.1
- Mar 29: Ancil Hoffman

9 Hole League:

- Feb 24: Bradshaw Ranch
- Mar 10: Arcade Creek Blue
- Mar 20: William Land Park
- Mar 31: Bradshaw Ranch

Also, see the flyer on the next page for information regarding a tournament sponsored by Branch 161, on March 6, 2023, at Discovery Bay Golf and Country Club. You do need an NCGA handicap for this event.

HIKING: by Brian Benner

Brian reports that the first hike of 2023 will be held at the Humbug Willowcreek Trail near Folsom Lake. This is a 3.4 mile paved trail with great views. Be there early for a 10am start to this hike. More information will be sent out in a report nearer the date of the hike.



Branch 161 Friendship Golf Tournament

Distribution: State Golf Committee Officers, Big Sirs, Little Sirs, Branch - Activity Chairs, - Newsletter editors, - Golf Chairs

Branch 161 invites all SIR golfers and guests to a Friendship Tournament on March 6, 2023 at Discovery Bay Golf & Country Club.

Click on the button below to read the UPDATED flyer with all the details.

[Click for the flier](#)

Please spread the word so that the golfers in your branch know about this fun tournament.

**If you have any questions or suggestions
please contact:**

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IMPORTANT MEMBER DATES FOR FEBRUARY:

JOIN DATES:

Rodriguez, Joe	2003
Zelinski, Ray	2003
Ahders, Bob	2007
Barsch, Ray	2008
Bradley, Gary	2009
Yamamoto, George	2009
Kenney, Scott	2010
Dutcher, Scott	2016
Singer, Rich	2016
Bullock, Greg	2017
Rowland, John	2018
Tipton, Tony	2018
Raley, John	2019
Young, Gary	2019
Smith, Don	2020
Carisoza, Bob	2021

BIRTHDAYS:

Breien, Doug	1929
Fotopoulos, Phil	1942
Stevenson, Paul	1944
Schmidt, Steve	1944
Kopf, Buzz	1945
Raley, John	1948
Biesanz, David	1953
Brown, Ski	1953
Kesty, David	1953
Rudkin, Derek	1954
Elkins, Paul	1955
Valder, Mitch	1958
Carisoza, Bob	2021

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Anderson, Bob and Marcia	1965
Espinosa, Bill and Marcie	1973
Callander, Gordon and Gladys	1991
Schafer, John and Rhonda Canby	2020

