



EL DORADO BRANCH NO. 23

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Monthly meetings on 2nd Wednesdays Carmichael Elks Lodge 5631 Cypress, Carmichael
 10:30 am Executive Meeting, 11:00 am social, Noon Luncheon, Cost \$15

Please call Dave Nemzek if you cannot attend the meeting. 481-7173. We need an accurate count.

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BIG SIR REPORT:

Happy Summer everyone - these truly are the "dog days" of summer - when the dogs are jumping into the river and we are jumping into the pool. I hope all are enjoying a restful time. The golf scores seem to indicate that a lot of our membership is enjoying hitting a few balls around some grass - whether short or tall.

This month is the annual state SIR meeting. The focus remains on how to help SIR be attractive for new members for the longterm viability of the organization. This year, there are two men running to be state SIR president. The competition is fierce! Paul Joyce and I have gotten emails and phone calls from both candidates. I'll be voting for the one I think best...

As for recruitment, from my experience, the best way to bring in new members remains the personal contact and invitation for friends and those we meet as we live our lives. Don't be shy about asking. Branch 23 is already living the new SIR motto "We are SIR, Friends for Life" Tom Novi also reminds us "Bring a friend, get a bottle of wine".

We are in the planning stages for the annual holiday luncheon - again this year at RedHawk casino what would be our regular meeting day, December 13. I'm hopeful that we can increase the numbers attending that event, which was VERY successful last year. Watch the Nugget for more information.

As always, if there is anything that concerns you or you would like the Board of Directors to consider, please let any of us know. See you soon!!!

Big Sir Greg Hood

LITTLE SIR REPORT:

At the July luncheon, Tom Burchell gave us a good description of the regimen required to train for running marathons. His account of the various marathons in which he has participated and his decreasing times needed to run them was very informative. And, of course, his personal experience with the bomb incident at the 2013 Boston Marathon made for audience intrigue.

Our featured speaker for August is Elaine Rock, from Blood Source. Elaine is the Plasma and Marrow Account Manager for Blood Source. Elaine spent almost 20 years working in the high tech industry. In 2004, she wanted to do something more meaningful for the community by working for BloodSource. She specializes in educating the community about the importance of source plasma donation in the SOURCE Partners program and the relationship with BE The Match, the national bone marrow registry. Elaine will share details regarding the history of BloodSource, the components that make up our blood, the various types of blood donations, and also include some patient stories. **Little Sir Ray Zelinski**

Elaine Rock
August Speaker



TREASURER'S REPORT:

(Beginning Balance (Checking), June 1, 2017:	\$3,627.74
Funds Received:	1,326.00
Funds Disbursed	1,445.81
Ending Checking Balance June 30, 2017	\$3,507.93
Ending Savings Balance	\$ 0
Ending Petty Cash	\$ 405.00
Ending Cash Balance (Total Cash)	\$3,912.93

SUNSHINE REPORT: by Chris Christopherson:

As always, I request assistance from all members by keeping me informed about deaths, illnesses and medical problems of fellow members so I can publish them in the newsletter and send cards.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: by Carroll Hamon

Membership Status: Active 143 Inactive 17

New members in July: Brian Benner and Gopal Nemana

New members to be inducted in August: 1

Other Changes: None

New member information: **Brian Benner** retired from the Sacramento County Assessor's Office early this year. He married Diana on October 15, 2011. His interests are camping and bike riding. His badge is number 164. His sponsor was Rich Singer.

Gopal Nemana retired from Kaiser Permanente Hospital as a cardiologist on April 29, 1999. He married Vitaya on March 24, 1967. His main interest is golf. He was assigned badge number 165. His sponsor was George Yamamoto.



**Brian
Benner**



**Gopal
Nemana**

Chris Christopherson had a birthday, turning 90 on July 7, 2017. He was awarded a plaque commemorating the date at our July meeting. Congratulations to Chris.



BASEBALL FANS: Sir Branch 23 in conjunction with the Dante Club is offering a night with the River Cats on Italian Heritage Night, August 31 at Raley Field. Gates open at 6pm with the first pitch at 7:05 pm. Terrific Senate lower level seats near the field are just \$19 with pregame wine tasting outside at 5:00pm. This is also \$2.00 Miller Lite night, aka Thirsty Thursday. Get tickets from Tom Novi at the Sir luncheon on August 9th...just email Tom at tomnovi@aol.com or call 961-6179 and tell Tom how many tickets you want. Bring the wife, grand kids and friends for a wonderful, fun-filled night.

PHOTO CONTEST: You have until August 1 to get photographs to Dick Crippen. See the contest rules on the last page of this bulletin. Don't be shy!!

GOLF NEWS: Bill Sutherland

Branch 23 Golf website: Visit this site to determine starting times, pairings results, and other golf related items. Address is web2golfsoftware.net/9958/

Signups for the August meeting include:

August 23, Ancil Hoffman, League Championship Series.

August 30 Empire Ranch, dual tees, individual competition

September 6, Turkey Creek, dual tees, individual competition

September 20, Mather, individual competition

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

MacKenzie, June 28:

Flight 1: Landsittel (65), Abalona (66), Espinosa 69, CTP Steve Schmidt

Flight 2: Rodriguez (65), Sittner (67), Scott Kenney (68), CTP Yamamoto

Flight 3: Heavner (64), Leatherby (64), Dunham (66). CTP No winner

Flight 4: Murrell (59), Davie (61), Stakolich (61), CTP Jerry Westerman

Bing Maloney, July 5:

Flight 1: Abalona (68), Findley (69), Elkins (72), CTP Frank Semans

Flight 2: Heavner (68), Sittner (68), Mastalski (69), CTP Cass Mastalski

Flight 3: Scarlett (63), Bloomer (65), Ng (66), CTP No winner

MacKenzie, July 14:

Flight 1: Espinosa (62), Landsittel (65), Fairhurst (71), CTP Neil Fairhurst

Flight 2: Findley (64), Scott Kenney (66), LeFebure (68), CTP Marwan Siagian

Flight 3. Battistessa (66), Mastalski (66), Leatherby (67), CTP Tom Novi

Flight 4: Del Torchio (62), George Hood (65), Stakolich (67), CTP Del Torchio

Morgan Creek, July 19 (4 man Shamble)

First: Bill Espinosa, Jim Heavner, General Davie, Howard Frank (120)

Second: Bill Abalona, Paul Askelson, Frank Semans, David Nemzek, (121)

Third: Neil Fairhurst, Mike Catino, Jerry Westerman, (Blind draw) (124)

Fourth: Gary Bradley, Phill Sittner, Cass Mastalski, Carroll Hamon (124)

9 Hole golf:

Signups at August meeting:

September 14, Antelope Greens; September 25, Emerald Lakes.

Tournament Results:

Arcade Creek, June 26;

Flight 1: Sutherland (31), Dutcher (32), Abel (33), CTP Bill Sutherland

Flight 2: Leatherby (28), Mastalski (30), Heavner (32), CTP David Salminen

Flight 3: Hamon (30), Clark (30), Christopherson (31), CTP Fred Lythgoe

Emerald Lakes: July 11:

Flight 1: Heavner (31), Dutcher (32), Mahoney (33), CTP Frank Abel

Flight 2: Mastalski (28), Leatherby (31), Scott Kenney (32), CTP Phil Sittner

Flight 3: Christopherson (34), Frank (34), Bob Kenney (36), CTP No winner

NOTABLE AUGUST MEMBER DATES:

JOIN ANNIVERSARIES	2013	Gordon Rousting
1986 Bob Kenney	2014	David Bailey
1995 Chris Christopherson	2015	Phil Sittner
1999 Frank Abel	2016	Dan Findley
2001 Fred Graebe	2016	Lowell Suckow
2004 Carroll Hamon	2016	Chuck Yakabe
2006 Len Kovar		

BIRTHDAYS:

- Buzz Gooch (i)
- Jack Rhondeau (e)
- Gene Tognetti
- Gib Wright (i)
- Darrell Schneider
- Joe Sandhu
- Tom Bogetich
- Odell Landers
- Billy Barnes
- Don Landsittel
- Bill Lindsey
- David Peterson
- General Davie
- Bill Costa
- Todd Gibson

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

- 1959 Christopherson, Chris and Jeanne
- 1960 Barsch, Ray and Dorothy
- 1960 Bogetich, Tom and Francesca
- 1962 Dunham, George and Marcia
- 1963 Wilson, Jerry and Lynette
- 1963 Sutherland, Bill and Janice
- 1971 Battistessa, Rich and Diane
- 1971 Bradley, Gary and Bobbi
- 1972 Gibson, Todd and Jan
- 1979 Wall, Kevin and Linda
- 1982 Cattnach, Dave and Dru
- 2001 Adams, Jerry and Linda
- 2013 Moller, Kurt and Mary

NEW OFFICERS:

Bill Sutherland has completed another task for our branch, asking members, both newer members and seasoned “vets”, to fill positions in the branch officer structure for 2018. All have volunteered to spend their time and effort to help this branch succeed for another year. Elections are held at this month’s meeting, August 9.

The following men have been nominated for 2018: Big Sir, Ray Zelinski; Little Sir Phil Sittner; Secretary, John Boss; Treasurer, Jim Coe; Assistant Secretary, Tam Lefebure; Assistant Treasurer, Don Landsittel.

For the Director positions: Paul Joyce, Gordon Routsong, Greg Hood, David Peterson, Roger Riley, Rich Singer.

Nominations from the floor at the meeting on August 9 will also be entertained.

Elections will be held the same day. Thanks to Bill Sutherland for his hard work and dedication to branch 23!!!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

BRANCH #23 PHOTO CONTEST

YOU ARE INVITED TO ENTER THE BRANCH PHOTO CONTEST. THE CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL BRANCH #23 SIR MEMBERS AND THEIR SIGNIFICANT OTHERS. THERE ARE THREE CATEGORIES.

PORTRAIT An image or likeness of a person or pets

ARCHITECTURE A man made or woman made structure

NATURE A natural object such as landscapes, seascapes, weather phenomena, astronomical objects, wild creatures, or other scenes of the natural world not containing any human made objects.

RULES.

1. PHOTOS MUST BE TAKEN IN 2017
2. ENTRIES MUST BE IN THE 5"X7" PRINT FORMAT. PHOTOS MAY BE ENHANCED WITH TOOLS SUCH AS PHOTOSHOP, LIGHTROOM OR OTHER SUCH TOOLS , AS LONG AS THE ENHANCING IS PERFORMED BY THE PHOTOGRAPHER ENTERING THE CONTEST. HAVING THESE PHOTOS PRINTED BY THE DRUGSTORE DOES NOT VIOLATE THE RULES,
3. YOU MAY SUBMIT ONE ENTRY FOR EACH CATEGORY.
4. PRINT YOUR NAME AND BADGE # ,APPROXIMATE DATE TAKEN ON THE BACK OF YOUR PHOTOS. MAIL PHOTOS TO DICK CRIPPEN, 1048 ENTRADA RD SACRAMENTO, CA 95864..
5. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 1ST PRIOR TO THE AUGUST LUNCHEON . ENTRIES WILL BE DISPLAYED FOR JUDGING BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT THE AUGUST LUNCHEON.. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AT THE SEPT LUNCHEON.
6. PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD HIGHEST RECIPIENTS IN EACH CATEGORY

SO GO OUT THERE AND TAKE THOSE PHOTOS

