



FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14



2023 OFFICERS

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Greeters: Joe Freitas
Ass't:
Membership, Administration: Hal Higgins
New Membership Recruitment: Dennis Scovill
Ass't: Len Ohlendorf
Nominating Committee: Ken Krueger, David Schwartz, Len Ohlendorf, and Tom Tompkins
Programs: David Schwartz
Photo Group: vacant
Photographer: Joe Freitas
Poker: Len Ohlendorf
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Tom Tompkins
Ass't: John Evers, Milo Tubbs, Dennis Micheletti, and Jack Melvin
Tour Director: Dennis Micheletti
Ass't: Len Ohlendorf and Dave Wolf
Winemakers: Al Russo
Woodworkers: Dan Franke

BEC MEETING-11:00 ZOOM 2ND THURS
MEET AND GREET- 11:00
GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCH-11:45

WE MEET THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
State website: www.sirinc.org
Sirs 14 website: <http://branch14.com>

At Cogir of Stock Ranch Senior Living
7418 Stock Ranch Rd
Citrus Heights

NEXT MEETING APRIL 27, 2023

LUNCHEON MENU

*Hearty vegetable soup or house salad
Salmon BLT on sour dough orzo salad or
Shredded beef tostada
Dessert: NY Cheesecake w/ Blueberry sauce*



BIG SIR – Ken Krueger (916) 751-0568

Greetings friends. Did you know that a recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it?

Our March meeting featured two Wins and two Glitches. Regarding the glitches: first, when our speaker couldn't get his computer to interface with our projector, he had to do a stand-up routine, which turned out well. We all learned a lot about what is happening in the world of golf. Thank You Dave Schwarz for finding him.

The second glitch occurred when I did not ask our Poker chairman about the activities of the poker group. Actually, I had heard that he (Len Ohlendorf) had lost his shirt last month and I was trying to protect him from another catastrophic loss. (Ha Ha, only kidding Len, I'll do better next time).

The first Win occurred when we inducted one new member into the Branch 14 ranks: Roger Pelz, who is sponsored by Jack Harris. Both of these guys reside at Stock Ranch, and both say they love it there. Roger, who recently turned 90, enjoyed a long career as an executive with the Boy Scouts of America. He has traveled extensively and is the past Big Sir at our neighboring Carmichael Sir branch. Welcome Roger

Hats off to Bob Jackson, who produced the second Win of the day when he brought in a new version of the Great Bird; a colorful, ironworks project that makes us proud to be in Sirs. I heard later that the Woodworker group is building a box for the bird; specifically, Don Langley and Dennis Scovill are rolling up their sleeves. Thank you, Bob, Don and Dennis.

That's it for this month. Be safe out there, see you on April 27th, and remember: *Never trust atoms; they make up everything.*

Ken Krueger, Big Sir



LITTLE SIR - Dave Schwartz (916) 863-6284

Our March meeting day was a busy one with a good attendance and the lunch was great as usual.

Our guest speaker was Mike Duhamel, Director of High-Performance Golf, Northern California Institute of Golf at Haggin Oaks. Mike covered a range of golf topics including new rule changes, golf equipment and how technology has changed it over time, trends in golf courses and discussed the different golf associations including new ones on the horizon.

Guest speaker for April still to be confirmed. Coming up in May, we will have a representative from a local law firm talking about new laws that effect Seniors.

That's all for now.

Until next month.

Little SIR, Branch 14

Dave Schwartz

SONS IN RETIREMENT - APRIL BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
4/18/42	SELSER	Michael J	84
4/5/43	JACKSON	Bob	117
4/30/48	TOMPKINS III	Herbert W	125
4/15/51	WALKER	Jim	89
4/22/52	WOLF	David L.	168
4/7/56	PASCOE	Nicolaus	48
4/1/57	MILLER	Philip E	155
4/10/57	BRYCESON	Cris	2

MARCH BIRTHDAY BOYS



Larry Prinzbach and Dan Franke

BIRTHDAY WINE WINNER



Larry Prinzbach

BRANCH 14-DATE JOINED SIR-APRIL

DATE JOINED SIR

LAST

4/27/17

CARY

4/25/19

BOTTEL

4/28/22

KIMSEY

4/28/22

MATZEN

4/24/97

SILVER

FIRST

NU

Paul W.A.

51

Rod

42

William

147

Gregory

183

Tommy

86

DATE JOINED SIRS, MARCH



**Len Ohlendorf, Hal Higgins, Ken Krueger,
and Jim Walker**

WINE WINNER



Jim Walker



BOWLING CHAIRMAN –BILL BOXELL 966-0518

Here is my monthly report for bowling. We have only 1 week of bowling left. Luckily for those guys who are bowling fanatics there is a summer league available in the same place, same day and time. The winter league will start again towards the end of August. Here are the highlights of the last 4 weeks.

Month of March 2023

Team 2 The Old Farts, Division 3, First place

Bob Jackson, High game 157, 143-- High Series 426

Team 6 Alley Oops, Division 4, 3rd place.

Gary Archibald, High game 169,162--High Series 415

Team 7 King Pins, Division 4, First place

Dennis Micheletti, High game 188,187--High Series 534

Ken Krueger, High game 132,115—High Series 315

Joe Freitas, High game 215, 201--High Series 552

Hal Higgins, High game 221,176--High Series 526

Team 11 One Board Left, Division 2, 5th place

Bill Boxell, High game 211,187--High series 569

Last Tuesday was the beginning of our championship rounds. Bob Jackson's team, team 2, The Old Farts was tied with team 17, Oh So Close, each team having 60 wins and 56 losses. The winner of that division had to be chosen by the highest total pin fall for the year. Team 17 had 75,579 and team 2 had a total of 75,146 pins. So team 17 was declared the winner of division three.

Team 7, King Pins, was the winner of division 4. They bowled against team 14, The Dream Team. Unfortunately, they lost so they will bowl next week for 3rd or 4th place in the league.

Congratulations to both the King Pins and the Old Farts for finishing at the top of their division. The rest of us will just have to try harder when we start again in Sept.

I'll keep you posted when to sign-ups are for this year's winter league.

KING PINS



Joe Freitas. Hal Higgins, Ken Krueger, Dennis Micheletti



TOUR DIRECTOR - DENNIS MICHELETTI- (916) 417-2817

Your committee has been hard at work scheduling activities for the rest of 2023. We had one activity last year on August 27, 2022 at the Rail Road Museum Tour. This year we've had a well attended tour of the Crocker Art Museum on February 15. Also planned for the rest of 2023 will be at fantastic Underground Sacramento tour, see attached flyer, on May 13th (please note if attending you must be there for sign in by 10AM, the tour starts promptly at 10:30). There is a lot of interest so far in this tour, so if you are interested, you better get your reservation in soon, there will be a maximum of 25 attendees. Our next schedule of activities will be a River Cats Game in August and the California Auto Museum in October. These activities are a great time for you to meet and enjoy the company and camaraderie of your fellow SIRS.

Den's Gems:

"Problems are only opportunities with thorns on them"

"Parents who are afraid to put their foot down usually have children who step on toes"

**Fort Sutter Branch #14 of SIR
are arranging a great day out
in Old Sacramento.**



Come see and learn how Sacramento lifted itself up out of the flood waters during the 1860s and 1870s!

Tour guides explain how the streets and buildings were “Jacked Up!” to avoid further flooding as visitors explore two spaces that were created by the city’s successful raising process. This historical tour includes hollow sidewalks, sloped alleyways, and the Underground spaces themselves. Our colorful cast of guides ensures no two tours are ever the same!

On Saturday, May 13, 2023 we will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Sacramento History Museum, 101 “I” Street in Old Sacramento to start the tour. Tours are for one hour and the cost is \$18.00 per guest, this will include free admission to the Museum.

25 guests max - \$18 to be paid day of event at the Museum - No photographs, video or other recording is allowed. Photographs are allowed only above ground

Make your reservation with Dennis at: dmichelett@aol.com or 916-417-2817.

Dennis Micheletti

Fellas,

The Old Sacramento Underground Tour now has a full roster of participants of 25 but now there are an additional numbers that have signed up. They will be put on the waiting list should a cancellation occur I will call the members that have signed up last that they are on the waiting list and inform them so. If you don't get a call and you have signed up you are in.

GUESTS

BOB BROWN

Sponsor: TOM SILVER

COVID PROTOCOL FOR ATTENDING LUNCHEONS

Each member will wear a mask on entering the building and proceed to the receptionist. The receptionist will check your temperature and check your name on the Branch roster. If your temperature is OK you may then proceed to the dining room. Upon entering the dining room you may remove your mask.

Please make the following changes in your 2023 Roster

Please add the following new member:

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Roger D. Pelz

Wife: Maxine

7418 Stock Ranch Rd

Citrus Heights, CA 95621

Phone: (916) 208-6624

Birthday: 9/25/1932

E-mail: RDPELZ932@GMAIL.COM

Sponsor: Jack Harris #29

Joined: 03/23/23



Badge 78



SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 952-4049

Ray Johansen is at home and Branch #33 singing group went to his home and sang for him for about an hour, he loved it.



ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES

ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

57 Members, March 1, 2023
23 Members Absent
 34 Members served, March 23, 2023 (60%)
 2 Guests
1 Speaker
 37 Lunches served

Remember to call me if you want an excused absence for a meeting. Read Page 3 in your Roster

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins

57 Members, February 1, 2023
+1 Pelz #78 new member
 58 Members, April 1, 2023

1 New member pending, April 1, 2023



WINEMAKERS -CHAIRMAN: AL RUSSO (714) 642-0586

The wine makers/distillers met last Wednesday at Don's barn. The first order of business was to strain off orange peels that had been soaking in high proof alcohol in anticipation of constructing faux "Cointreau" at a later date. We then compiled ingredients for our version of Kahlúa which we compared to the commercial version. We liked ours better. Finally we jarred a mint flavored beverage for raffle. Our next meeting will be April 19 at Don's facility.



WOOD WORKERS -CHAIRMAN-DAN FRANKE (916) 239-5888

We held our March woodworkers at Don's barn as usual. We had 12 of us enjoy a smorgasbord of snacks (see photo). We had a very interesting show-and-tell with many items displayed. Some of the highlights were a pair of salt and pepper shakers that Mike Selser brought in that had an ingenious way of dispensing the product (see photo). Bob Waters showed the base legs of a bed bench project that he has started (see photo). Jim Walker asked the group in helping him identify a type of wood that he was using to make book markers (see photo). We were of no help to Jim of course. I then showed a group of objects that I had completed. One of which was the block of olive wood that I had encased in red epoxy and then turned on my lathe (see photo). After the meeting, Don, Dennis Scovill and Jim Walker worked on building a storage box for the new rooster mascot for the branch(see photo). See all you woodworkers next month on Friday, April 28th at "the barn".

SNACKS



MIKE SELSER



SALT AND PEPPER SHAKERS

BOB WATERS



JIM WALKER



BED BENCH
DENNIS AND DON



WOOD
DAN



WITH ROOSTER

BOWL

DECLARATIONS

NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION - All activities arranged for or by, or sponsored by, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate. Sons in Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities. (Rule 345).

Checks, money orders or credit cards for Travel for one day or less (no overnight), where a bus/busses is/are used as the primary means of transportation, may be made payable to the Branch sponsoring the event. All other checks, money orders or credit cards for travel must be made payable to the travel agency (Rule 420 and 421).

Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale (Rule 60). **REQUIRED ATTENDANCE**~A member shall be required to attend one-half of the regular Branch monthly luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period unless the Branch BEC has approved a different attendance requirement(s).

A member shall be notified in writing, e-mail, and/or telephone by his Branch if he is in violation of the Attendance Rule 100 and is subject to the termination of his Branch membership. See Rule 107. (Revised 6/7/18) (Revised 4/10/18) (Revised 10/30/18)

MEETING DATES IN 2023

**January 26, February 23, March 23, April 27, May 25, June 22,
July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 16, and December 21**

This bulletin was approved by the Big Sir