



FORT SUTTER NEWS

BRANCH No 14

PROMOTING THE INDEPENDENCE &
DIGNITY OF RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED **MEN**

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Sirs 14 Photo Group: Bob Wall
Sunshine: Bob Jackson
Telephone Tree: Hal Snow
Ass't: Bob Nield, Paul Willett, and Jim Poindexter
Tour Director: Hal Snow
Woodwork: Bob Wall

BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING-10:45
GENERAL MEETING - 11:30

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

AT CARMICHAEL ELKS
5631 Cypress Avenue
Carmichael

NEXT MEETING MAY 26, 2016

**LUNCHEON MENU
SIRLOIN TIPS WITH NOODLES AND VEGETABLES**



BIG SIR-DAN FRANKE-944-7676

Welcome to May. Remember Mother's Day on May 8th, golf on May 9th (Antelope Greens) and May 23rd (Bradshaw Golf Course), our next Sirs luncheon on May 26th and the Woodworkers meeting on May 27th. As busy as that sounds, there is still plenty of time to talk to a neighbor or friend and invite them to our next luncheon. We have a lot of fun and great fellowship at our activities and would gladly embrace new members. Branch 14 can only thrive with the help of every one of us.

I hope you enjoyed the April Sirs luncheon as much as I did. The food (pork chops) seemed extra good to me and I found the speaker (Betty Vosters-Kemp) very interesting. Her talk on hearing problems and the technology involved in hearing aids was great. Thank you Little Sir Don Langley for continuing to bring interesting and informative speakers to our luncheons. Don tells me that our speaker for May will be a gentleman from Effie Yaw Nature Center here in Carmichael. This should be another wonderful Sirs luncheon. Let me thank Hal Snow for organizing another great activity. Our walking tour of historic Sutter Street in Folsom was informative and lots of fun. We had about twenty in attendance and I heard many talking about how good the tour was. Hal tells me that he is trying to put together a tour of the Golden One Center (new Kings arena) in downtown Sacramento for possibly our June activity or as soon as he can arrange a tour. That will be a "don't miss".

I will end this extra wordy message by saying how much we miss our Golf Guru and head Badge Keeper Orley Highfill. Keep Orley in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery from his recent ailment. I look forward to your jokes when you return Orley.



LITTLE SIR-DON LANGLEY -944-4219

We had a great outing on Wednesday April 27 with our guided tour at Old Town Folsom and the Museum. Twenty people showed up, including two from Branch 127. We had a slight problem with a short rain because we had decided to eat on the outside patio.

I think everyone enjoyed our speaker, Betty Vosters-Kemp from, Avalon Hearing Center. She is very skilled at explaining hearing problems. Personally, she fitted my wife with hearing aids that actually improved our marriage, which was already the best.

Next month's speaker is scheduled to be Paul Tebbel who is the Director of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center at Ancil Hoffman Park. He will speak about the Center and the River Parkway.

There hasn't been much movement on any merge, but we are still trying - hopefully by the time we have our Carmichael Ladies Day this December, we will have a good idea of how to save our group.



ATTENDANCE AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEES

ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN, Hal Higgins, phone: 863-6771

46 Active members, April 1, 2016

15 Members Absent

31 Members served, April 28, 2016 (67%)

1 visitor

1 speaker

33 Lunches served, April 28, 2016

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

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ADMINISTRATION) Hal Higgins

46 Active members , April 1, 2016

-1 J Poindexter #173

To Inactive

-1 E Vipon #050

To Inactive

44 Active members, May 1, 2016

1 Inactive members, April 1, 2016

+1 J Poindexter #173

From active

+1 E Vipon #050

From active

3 Inactive members, May 1, 2016

0 New member pending, May 1, 2016

Please change the following members from active to inactive in your 2016 Roster:

Pg 18 Jim Poindexter #173

Pg 22 Eldon Vipond #050

Please change the address of the following member:

Pg 10 Dick Dunn #235

New address is: 7418 Stock Ranch Rd, Citrus Heights, CA 95621

SIR HAPPENINGS

The latest edition of 'SIR HAPPENINGS' is now available on the SIR website. Check out the other travel opportunities available.

<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings>

Happy Mother's Day

SONS IN RETIREMENT - MAY BIRTHDAYS IN BRANCH 14 (All Members)

BIRTHDAY	LAST	FIRST	NU
5/22	POWELL	Robert	362

APRIL BIRTHDAY BOYS AND WINE WINNER



DUANE CLARK, BOB JACKSON, AND JIM MEEK
Bob won both bottles of wine

GOLF-ORLEY HIGHFILL-944-0409

GOLF SCORES



BRADSHAW GOLF COURSE		MARCH 28, 2016
BILL BOXELL 84	DAN FRANKE 73	HAL HIGGINS 38 (9 holes)
DON LANGLEY 70	DICK LEWIS 66	TONY PLANZER 83
DON REINMUTH 41 (9 holes)		

ANTELOPE GREENS GOLF COURSE		APRIL 10, 2016
BILL BOXELL 96	DAN FRANKE 96	DON LANGLEY 81
DICK LEWIS 90	BOB NIELD 81	TONY PLANZER 92
DENNIS SCOVILL 113		

INDIAN CREEK GOLF COURSE		APRIL 25, 2016
DAN FRANKE 81	DON LANGLEY 84	DICK LEWIS 84
TONY PLANZER 87		

Future tournaments:: May 09, Antelope, 09:00; May 23, Bradshaw, 09:00; June 13, Antelope, 09:00; June 27, Indian Creek, 09:00; and July 11, Antelope, 09:00.



SUNSHINE REPORT --BOB JACKSON – 988-5979

Bob Powell's wife, Diane, wrote the following email to Sirs 14:

"Bob is unable to attend any meetings as he is in a Care home and unable to walk. Members are welcome to visit or send a card to 1419 Tiffany Circle, Roseville, CA 95661.

His wife, Diane"

SIR Days at the Major League Parks

Join your fellow Sirs as we converge at AT&T Park, the Oakland Coliseum and Chukchansi Park to watch great baseball match-ups

The Washington Nationals vs the SF Giants

The Oakland A's vs the LA Angels

And the Sacramento RiverCats vs the Fresno Grizzlies

With 25+ members

1. Select a representative to collect the monies.
2. Then call each team's group sales executive to confirm the numbers.
3. After mailing in the check, you'll need to distribute the tickets to your friends & family members.

But you must act quickly. **These games will sell out.** The A's game includes a jersey give-away. The other games are top-notch rivalries you don't want to miss.

For questions, contact:

Lee Moy, State SIR Sports Chairman

(559) 709-9851

LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com

Or visit [sirinc.org](http://www.sirinc.org), sporting events,

http://www.sirinc.org/siractivities/SIR_sports.htm

SIR Day at Chukchansi Park

Fresno Grizzlies vs Sacramento RiverCats

Tecate Thirsty Thursday August 25, 2016, 7pm Triple AAA Baseball

Houston Astros vs SF Giants right field level reserve \$15 pp group rate extra: possible BBQ prior

SIR Day at the Coliseum Oakland A's vs Angels

June 18, 2016 Saturday, 1pm

All SIR attendees will receive a '89 Dennis Eckersley Replica Jersey with ticket section 101-106, 128-132 Group Rate-\$32-Dynamic Pricing subject to change & availability Deadline: **February 12th** 10% deposits due **Please first call, reserve, and then send only one branch check for groups of 25+** Ryan Phelan, Group Account Executive 7000 Coliseum Way, Oakland, CA 94621 (510) 563-2393

SIR Day at AT&T Park

31 July, 2016-Sunday, 1pm SF Giants vs Washington Nationals

section 308-324, view reserve infield

"Dynamic Pricing": subject to availability/demand urgency is recommended-book by February. **Group rate for 25+ branch members: \$46 pp**

1. Have one branch/group representative call:
Peter Sercia, (415) 972-2243
SF Giants Group Sales
2. Confirm numbers
3. Send one branch/group check

WOODWORKERS -CHAIRMAN-BOB WALL-393-1034



The April 29 meeting of Branch 14 SIRS Woodworkers was held in Don Langley's barn. Dan Franke challenged our diets with two boxes of pastries.

Before discussing woodworking, we discussed the very informative speech about hearing loss, from the SIRS luncheon.

Lacking a proper segway, we spent time discussing the pros and cons of the various Scroll Saws on the market today.

Don had cut and assembled a beautiful redwood deck that will be reassembled at his daughters home soon.

We were delighted to welcome Richard Jackson to our group and got to see items that he has developed and sold for a long time.

For the learning segment Don had set up his jointer and Dick L and Dan F shaved down a hefty chunk of wood adjusting and checking their work.

Several members brought works in progress to be discussed by the group, from small hand pieces to small table and night stand made from pallet materiel from Home Depot. Another enjoyable learning experience.

Thanks Woodworkers...Sawdust Maker

At the meeting in March for the learning segment Don and Dan had set up an Alaskan Mill, Chain Saw, and other tools to cut a slab from this 20 ft by 3 ft trunk of redwood. Tools and techniques were explained and those that wanted could try one of the two saw positions. Not a place for beginners. Below are photos from the meeting.



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 who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the Branch Attendance Committee giving a valid reason, or who attends less than six (6) regular meetings within the last twelve (12) consecutive month period, may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SiRs (Rule 100 and 101)

MEETING DATES IN 2016

January 28, February 25, March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23,
July 28, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 17, and December 22. 2016

Fort Sutter Branch 14
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