

# Sons In Retirement SAN JUAN BRANCH NO. 102 July 2011

## LUNCHEON MEETINGS

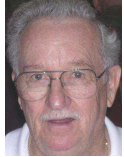
2nd Tuesday of the month  
Executive Board meeting 10:00 A.M.  
Social Hour: 10:45 — Luncheon: 11:45  
Carmichael Elks Lodge

## Next Meeting

**Tuesday  
July 12th**

## IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THE MEETING

Please let us know at e-mail  
[Sir102luncheonrsvp@gmail.com](mailto:Sir102luncheonrsvp@gmail.com)  
or leave a message at 393-1142



### **BIG SIR STUFF:**

Well fellow SIRs' winter hung on forever, spring skipped us and here's summer. One hundred degree days and old guys don't mix so drink all the water you can then drink some more and use plenty of sunscreen. (that probably sounds like your wife talking but it's great advice)

Lots of activities coming up for the summer, great golf, Carson City, Bob Baker and Joe Virga have a great bay area trip scheduled, (only \$55) and Foster Maxwell said bowling will be starting soon. Foster also reminded me that it hardly ever gets over 100 degrees in the bowling alley so join up!!!! Another reminder if you know of any of our members that are under the weather please call our sunshine chairman Bob Baker so we can contact them.

As I mentioned last month, we have the best SIR group going. The only way to insure this in the future is with your help in recruiting new members. I want to thank all of you for your e-mails to Tom Wight when you can't attend a luncheon. We give the Elks an estimate of the attendance each month so this really helps us arrive at that figure. For those of you who didn't attend the "short" golf meeting after the June lunch, Don Wagner informed us he is really having a difficult time in filling key positions on our golf committee. Now is the time to get involved for those interested so you can see what these jobs entail. We really need help in this area so please do some soul searching and join up!!!

In closing another reminder drink lots of water and don't forget to RUN after you light the firecracker for your grandkids!!!! Have a great summer and I'll see you at the July meeting

*Dick Larsen*

### July Luncheon Menu

Green Salad, Sliced Beets with Onions, Three Bean Salad, Chef's Choice Vegetables, BBQ Chicken, Desert, Coffee



### **LITTLE SIR:**

Tom Bone's speech last month about how he started playing golf in high school (anyone can play the game) and his volunteer work for the NCGA as a Director was very informative. It even had a carryover effect on the golf club meeting that followed. We had over twice the number of members that usually attend the golf meetings. Some great ideas on sharing the responsibilities and actual volunteers to spread out the work that had been done by a few individuals (Marty, Gary, and Don).

This month speaker will be Bob Litchfield and he will be talking about his experience with mentors while at West Point

**Jim Reese**



### **ATTENDANCE: Tom Wight (393-1142) & Gus Kvick (967-7634)**

At our June 14 Flag Day luncheon meeting we sold 127 meal tickets, had eight noneaters which adds up to 135 members present, plus two guests, which is a good turnout of 72% of the total membership. The only concern is there were only 124 badges retrieved from the badge box, so we are assuming 11 members neglected to obtain their badge from the badge box. Even if you are not eating, please retrieve your badge from the badge box; don't make your badge one of the lonely ones. Also this month we had record high excused absences of 47. We do appreciate your letting us know if you will not attend, either by Gmail or a phone call, as indicated in the red background area of the newsletter. See you next month..

**Your Attendance Guys: Gus Kvick, Bob Lamora, Wight**



### **SUNSHINE REPORT: Bob Baker (961-4939)**

Well there is sunshine at the George Barnes home as he has been signed sealed and approved for a new kidney. He found this out on Father's Day and isn't that a nice gift.

- ◆ Hal Hession has had two bad falls recently and because of this has moved to the Carlton Plaza on Fulton where he's getting needed help. He expects to be able return to his home later, however.
- ◆ Dave Locy is recovering from a knee operation where a nerve had to be severed. He is now improving and hopes to be back playing golf within a reasonable frame of time.
- ◆ Harry Flanigan was feeling poorly at the golf course and went to San Juan hospital. He stayed over night and they ran many tests as a precaution, but everything seems to be okay now. Fortunately, it was just a scare.

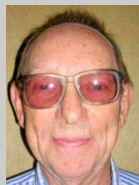
**Bob**



### **MEMBER-SHIP; Dick Coleman (967-1578)**

We are doing well in membership drives, but we need to continue our efforts. Try to bring your friends and neighbors to our Luncheons. They will get a free lunch and hopefully see the benefits of joining our organization. See me for SIR business cards and brochures to aid you in the recruiting.

**Dick**



**Sir of the Month Gary Lindenschmitt:** Gary was born and raised in Grand Junction, Colorado. His father was a railroad man and the family lived in a rural area, Gary made "spending money" by trapping muskrats. For the princely sum of \$1.25 per pelt he would find 10 or more a week and collect accordingly . Ah...life was good.

When 19 years old he followed another Coloradoan's advise (Horace Greeley) and went "West Young Man" to California where he found work as a Switchman at Roseville's Southern Pacific Railroad. This job kind of dangerous work in the 1950's. It entailed being atop sometimes heavily loaded engineless freight cars that were being formed by "gravity feed" into destination trains. The Switchman's job was to slow these 25 ton monsters down by cranking a relatively small brake lever wheel on top of a railcar. After a near accident in which he was dangerously flipped off a moving railcar, he sagely began looking for safer work and started extra schooling at Sierra College (which was in Auburn in those days.) It was here he received an AA in Engineering.

Gary answered an ad for an Electronics Apprentice at McClelland AFB and completed their course. At the Base where he now worked were several highly "classified programs" in which spy satellites were often disguised as weather satellites. This was a sensitive area in those times especially when flying around Cuba and Korea.

In 1972 he made another move this time to computers where he became adept at repairing and calibrating F111a electronics. (There was no such thing at that time as a PC. Bill Gates wouldn't be making news for another eight years.) His computer knowledge however, took him to many out of the way areas such as the Arctic Circle as McClelland's fleet of F111a's with over 2000 computers had to be serviced regularly.

Upon retiring in 2001 Gary was sponsored by Gary Bohn. Many of you remember George Smith who then was just beginning to work on our SIR #102 web-site. George left shortly afterwards, but since then Gary completed the website and keeps it working efficiently. When you open it today you'll find up to dates golf schedules (supplied by Sir Marty Owen) as well as many additions Gary has made to make it interesting.

**Welcome Gary Lindenschmitt.....our Sir of the Month.**



**BOWLING: Foster Maxwell (969-5115).**

Our SIR's 49er league bowling season ended on May 4th. We will start our new 2011/2012 season with a meeting at the Fireside lanes on August 31st at noon, with bowling starting on September 7th.

If you are interested in bowling or have any questions just give me a Call. **Foster**



**2012 Officers Nominations**

Your nominating committee (The Board of Directors) has developed the following list of candidates for our 2012 officer positions:

- Big Sir:** Jim Reese                      **Treasure:** George Miller
- Little Sir:** Gary Bohn                      **Asst. Treas.:** Hank Price
- Secretary:** Floyd Barnett                      **Asst. Sec.:** John Ludington
- Directors:** Dick Larsen — Dick Coleman  
Bob Lamora — Tom Hanson  
Mickey Wagner—Max Kinsey

**ACTIVITIES**



**Spend the Day On the Bay**

**See next page (3) for details.**

Our SIR102 2012 officers will be **voted in at our August meeting.** Nomination will be open to all the above officer positions, up to the time we vote. If you or someone you know would like to be a candidate just let any officer or board of direction member know.

**Your Board of Directors**



Our book swap will be held every meeting, so bring in your unwanted books and pick up books to read.



Our new fishing club "GONE FISHING" is planning more fishing excursions for this summer. Watch for e-mails on destinations. Those interested in joining our group, call or e-mail me. **Dick Coleman**



- | <u>Will be</u>   | <u>Will be</u>     |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 88 Tom Genovese  | 74 Manny Trujillo  |
| 86 Don Neudeck   | 73 Mickey Wagner   |
| 85 Gus Kvick     | 71 Phil Mestas     |
| 84 Jack Cook     | 71 Herb Munger     |
| 82 Keith White   | 70 George Wheeler  |
| 81 Speedy Sheetz | 69 Frank Mason     |
| 77 Alan Kreeger  | 67 Pete Peterson   |
| 76 Jim Smith     | 67 Greg Schellhase |
| 75 Floyd Barnett | 57 Chuck NeSmith   |
| 74 Ladd Bornn    |                    |



**All SIR Day at the San Francisco Giants - San Francisco Giants vs. Pittsburgh Pirates on Wednesday, August 10th, 2011 at 12:45 P**  
Tickets may be ordered at <http://sirinc.org/siractivities/Sports-2011-SFGiants-20110328.pdf>

and click on "SIR Activities" then "Sports Events" then "San Francisco Giants Flier"



## Spend the Day On the Bay

**Hey SIR members.....Have we got a fun trip to San Francisco for you!!!**

We catch a 8:15 bus at the Elks on Saturday morning and go to the Vallejo waterfront where we'll board the ferry for a one hour cruise across the bay. First stop is at San Francisco's Ferry Building. There is lots to see and cable cars to catch here, but some of you might want to stay on board and be dropped off at Pier 41 about 11:30. Lots of action here also with Pier 39 goodies, Fisherman's Wharf, and Ghirardelli Chocolates all nearby just to mention a few.

Choose from some of the fine nearby restaurants for a leisurely lunch and possibly an adult beverage. The ferry that brought you over will be returning to Vallejo from either the Ferry Building or Pier 41 areas about 3:30. After the returning one hour ferry trip back....you'll be back in Sacramento shortly after six o'clock.

### **How does that sound?**

**Well here is the good stuff.**

DATE: SATURDAY AUGUST 20TH

BOARDING: 8:15 AT ELKS CLUB

COST; \$55 PER PERSON

We'll have coffee, water and donuts for you on the trip over. **We'll be selling trip tickets at the July SIR meeting (and possibly August's meeting providing the 45 passenger bus isn't already sold out.)**

P.S. Here's our website link of the same 2008 trip... just "copy and paste": [http://www.sirs102golf.org/Albums/SFtrip/SIR\\_Trip\\_To\\_SanFrancisco\\_21June08.htm](http://www.sirs102golf.org/Albums/SFtrip/SIR_Trip_To_SanFrancisco_21June08.htm)

Have a question? call:

Joe Virga josephvirga@sbcglobal.net 916+371-7946

Bob Baker rbaker1223@sbcglobal.net 916+961-4939

**BIRDIES AND BOGEY**  
**July 2011**  
**web site: sirs102golf.org**



**GOLF CHAIRMAN: DON WAGNER (967-1124) email: [dwagner@pacbell.net](mailto:dwagner@pacbell.net)**

**HELP WANTED**

**If we put an ad in a newspaper for the position of TD SIR102 (Tournament Director, currently held by Marty Owen), Here is what it might say:**

**Position:** Tournament Director of SIR 102 organization...150 golfers

**Responsibilities:** Oversee golf operations including monthly sign-ins & processing, scheduling of players for each event, determines what type of game will be played, post changes to weekly golf tournaments, and check in players for each tournament.

**Length of Position:** one year or more depending on the TD.

**Benefits:** A great way to Interact with all members of our golf club.

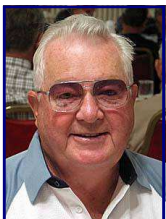
**Staff:** Almost every member has said they would help when called upon for sign-ins, check-in on golf day, etc...

**This position must be filled by July 31<sup>st</sup> to allow time for learning the new NCGA process while working directly with current members of our golf club. Official Start Date is Jan 1, 2012. For more information, just contact Marty Owen, Don Whalen or Gary Bohn.**

We may have the other 2012 positions filled thanks to guys stepping up but the TD position needs to be filled before any additional work is done on using the NCGA program (provided the new TD wants to use it).

Golf Tip: Always limp with the same leg for the whole round.

*Don*



**ASSISTANT TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR; DON WHALEN( 962-0820) email email: [ltcoldon@att.net](mailto:ltcoldon@att.net)**

**CARSON CITY** We are short a number of people for the Carson City Golf and Fun Trip. We only have 38 golfers and 10 non-golfers signed up. We should have around 60 people to get all of the benefits we normally get. If anyone is interested please send your money to Gary Bohn at 8231 Crestshire Circle, Orangevale, CA 95662. Cost is \$330 Sharing a room, \$360 Single room, \$195 for a non-golfer sharing a room, and \$230 for a non-golfer in a single room. Non SIRS 102 members can go and compete for prizes (except the Blue Jacket) if they

have a NCGA membership. Golfers without a NCGA membership can go but not compete for the prizes for \$300 sharing a room or \$330 for a single room.

**SEVILLANO LINKS OVERNIGHTER** We will be taking reservations for the Sevillano overnighter at our July meeting. Event will be October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Sevillano Golf course is at Corning (about 1 ½ hours up Highway 5) The housing accommodations are in the Ramada Inn and includes breakfast. The cost will be around \$195 (I'm still negotiating) for the two rounds of golf with cart, housing (2 per room), and prize money. Single rooms may be available at an additional cost. Specifics will be available at the July meeting.

*Don*

**OFFICERS 2010**

BIG SIR, Dick Larsen .....961-0701  
 LITTLE SIR, Jim Reese.....451-4995  
 SECRETARY, Jim Reese.....451-4995  
 ASST. SEC., John Luddington.....961-4918  
 TREASURER, George Miller .....408-2247  
 ASST. TREAS., Rob Axell.....965-3366

**DIRECTORS**

Joe Virga (2011)  
 Don Dresbach (2011)  
 Mickey Wagner (2012)  
 Max Kinsey (2012)  
 Bob Lamora (2013)  
 Tom Hanson (2013)

State President: Robert Mannell  
 Region 3 Director: Maynard Rodland  
 Area 9 Governor: Jimmie Johnson

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

AUDITOR: Don Lewis  
 ATTENDANCE : Tom Wight & Gus Kwick  
 MEMBERSHIP: Dick Coleman & Marty Owen  
 HARDWARE: Dick Louie  
 SUNSHINE: Bob Baker  
 BOWLING/RV: Foster Maxwell  
 EDITOR: Mickey Wagner  
 CHAPLAIN: Warren Coffeen  
 GOLF: Don Wagner  
 Web Page Lindy Lindenschmitt

**Past BIG SIR**

Gordon Nielson 1983	Don gayner 1997
Pete Tapella 1984	Don Wiles 1998
Roy Bostic 1985	Tom Eyman 1999
Don Johnson 1986	Bob Simowski 2000
Paul Siglin 1987	Stan Spalding 2001
Wesley Fisk Jr. 1988	Chuck Shoemaker 2002
Ray Nyman 1989	Lloyd Browning 2003
Don Gaylord 1990	Bob Baker 2004
Les Jones 1991	Don Wagner 2005
Don Gaylord 1992	Frank Mason 2006
Rock Sorgman 1993	Speedy Sheetz 2007
Bill Spencer 1994	Joe Virga 2008
Tom Warburton 1995	Mickey Wagner 2009
Don Neudeck 1996	Bob Lamora 2010

**ATTENDANCE RULES**

Rule 60: Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meeting unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch's locale.

RULE 100: Any member missing three (3) consecutive meeting without notifying his Branch Attendance Committee Chairman giving a valid absence reason or who attends less than six (6) regular meetings within the last twelve (12) consecutive months, may be notified of pending SIR membership termination.

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Visit the SIR website at <http://sirinc.org/>

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Thanks Mickey