

**Branch Executive Committee Meeting - 10:45 Happy Hour – 11:00 General Meeting – 11:45 Luncheon – 12:00** 

Regular Meetings 1st Thursday of the Month Rancho Cordova Elks Lodge (SHOWN ABOVE) 11440 Elks Circle Rancho Cordova 916-635-8038

# **ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2017**

# **Big Sir**



**Tom Beigel** 635-8399

**Len Honeycutt** 362-5170

Little Sir



Secretary **Ed Spellacy** 941-1726

**Asst. Secretary OPEN** 



**Treasurer Larry Mustain** 635-5674



**Asst. Treasurer Art Tourtillott** 635-6148

See What Matters to you

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



Doug Evans 363-9112



Mel Buzzard 635-6129



**Seth Hertzig 996-9605** 



Jeff Jackson 393-5644



Jerry Centabar 962-725



#### **BIG SIR'S COMMENTS**

Another year drawing to a close. Looking forward to our Ladies Day Luncheon at Red Hawk on December 1. First of many holiday celebrations for many of us.

I am thankful for those who volunteer to serve our branch. Two of our most experienced and dedicated volunteers will be handing over their responsibilities as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer come January. I am talking about Larry Mustain and Art Tourtillott. It's been a pleasure to work with these two gentlemen.

Fortunately, two of our members have stepped forward to take up their functions in the new year. A big Thanksgiving thank you to Hartley Hermansen and Dave Kwaczala! We have many other opportunities for our members to contribute to a successful branch. At our January 4 luncheon I will pass around an activity sheet to give everyone an opportunity to express their interest in getting more involved in making the Dredgers branch better.

Along these same lines, I would like to get everyone's feedback positive or negative with a simple survey of three questions. I will be collecting your feedback at the January luncheon and will take up your concerns with the Branch Executive Committee. You can print out this page of the newsletter and turn it in with your response or use the questionnaire I will bring to the January luncheon.

Here's to a great party at Red Hawk on December 1 and a very happy holiday season to all.

#### Questionnaire

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- 1. What do you like about our branch?
- 2. What should we do to improve our branch?
- 3. What is the one thing you would like to tell the Big Sir?

Name (optional)

Tom Beigel

#### **LITTLE SIR'S COMMENTS**



We're heading for December with rain and cooler temperatures as we, hopefully, take things a little slower on the wet roads. No speaker for December since we will be enjoying "Ladies Day" at Red Hawk. Hope to see a lot of you there. In the meantime, enjoy Thanksgiving and remember all the things we have to be thankful for, and then slide right in towards Christmas. Be safe if you are traveling and stay warm if you are staying.

#### Little Sir Joke of the Day

Father Murphy walks into a pub in Donegal, and says to the first man he meets, "Do you want to go to heaven?" The man said, "I do Father." The priest said, "Then stand over there against the wall." Then the priest asked the second man, "Do you want to go to heaven?" "Certainly, Father," was the man's reply. "Then stand over there against the wall," said the priest. Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and said, "Do you want to go to heaven?" O'Toole said, "No, I don't Father." The priest said, "I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?" O'Toole said, "Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now."

Len Honeycutt

#### **BOWLING REPORT**



The league is still rolling along although we still are short of bowlers, we did pick up one new bowler for our branch, Steve Nelson who states he will be with the big bowlers in no time. We had some outstanding bowling Nov. 8th from some of the Top bowlers Starting with Bill Graham 267 = 665/ Alan Bryan 268 = 660/ Cal Suan 228 = 627/ Jim Russell 227 = 605 and Mike Decker 212 = 600/ 200s were Jim Rice 227/ Jerry Centabar 213, 215/ Dave Kwaczala 208/ John Spisak 203.

November 15, back on top of the 600s with a big series Jim Russell 235, 239, 266 =739/ follow by Mike Decker 226, 267=704

Alan Bryan 241, 255= 680 / Jerry Centabar 235= 604 / 200s were Lee Marshall 211 / Bill Graham 206 / Larry Mustain 201.

Now that was some good bowling Sirs. No news on any Tournaments. Our Last is in Fremont Ca. on Dec. 3rd at the Clover leaf Bowl. That's the news for November. *Wish everyone a very happy Thanksgiving*.

#### Benny Benson



These Activities now called "Out and About".

I attended a SIR training conference on October 18 at the Carmichael Elks Club. I must say I wasn't looking forward to it

(Like we all need another MEETING!), but was presently surprised at the level of intelligence and ability of the speakers and group leaders. I attended the Activities carve out and felt I could use much of what was discussed. There for I hope to bring that wisdom to you over the coming months.

#### Here goes...

We have an occasion to honor the ladies in our life with the December Holiday Luncheon at Red Hawk Casino on Friday December 1st. Ticket are \$18 per person. See Larry Mustain at the November Luncheon. You can also invite other family members and friends. A good time for all. You even get scratch off tickets, so you don't even have to put your quarters in the Red Hawk machines (although I'm told the Red Hawks will look more favorably on you if you do!)

SIR Mel Buzzard is running his walking program for those who want to improve their physical health. He will customize a program for your particular level of activity. Call him at 635-6129. It worked for him in losing weight. You can also enroll your significant other in the program.

SIR Hartley Hermansen "Herm" has two season Kings tickets. He or his family may not be able to go to every game so he has offered to make some available to SIR members at cost. \$98 for two or \$49 for one ticket. This price is considerably less than face value as Herm has been a season ticket holder for 16 years and receives a special price. Sixteen years...and still a Kings FAN... GO HERM!!! Call him at 635-1850 to get on the alternate list for the tickets. Oh! the seats are section 114 in the lower level. I'm told these are good seats.

I was just contacted by the River Cats organization. We can renew our attendance at the 2018 season games. I need your feedback during our November Luncheon on Nov 2nd if you want to attend a game this season. Normally we go in June, and this year could attend on Thursday evening June 7th or Thursday June21st; start times 7:05 pm. The June 7th game is with the Oklahoma Dodgers (L A Dodgers affiliate) this is the same day as our June luncheon, or June 21st with the El Psao Chihuahauas (San Diedo Padres affiliate). I will put out ballots at the November lunch tables for your use. We need at least 20 ticket purchases to get the nonprofit group rate of \$19 per. So, if I don't get enough takers? I vote for San Diego!

Let me or a member of the Board know if you have an activity you think other SIRs would enjoy and we can put it out there. You probably have a board member sitting at your lunch table... so be careful what you wish for!!!

All for now!!

Doug Evans

#### **ABSENTEE CALL-IN**



We had 30 members that did not attend the November luncheon. Four (4) of those members CALLED IN stating they could not attend.

If you are unable to attend our regular luncheon meeting, call me in advance at 635-8891 or send me an email to redsoxrich1939@gmail.com Call in early is OK

#### **EDITOR NOTES**



John Spísak

# Submit your entries for next Bulletin: by 20<sup>th</sup> of this Month Email me at spisak@pacbell.net

## Treasurer's Report SIRS Monthly Cash Report Beginning November 2, 2017

\$2,346.81
\$1,174.00
\$720.00
\$1,894.00
\$4,240.81
\$1,154.00
\$3,086.81

Larry Mustaín

#### **GOLF REPORT**



# SIR Branch 112 Golf Schedule for 2017

Date	Course	Time	Day
30 Jan.	Bartley Cavanaugh	09:00	Mon
13 Feb.	Davis	10:00	Mon
27 Feb.	Turkey Creek	10:00	Mon
13Mar	Teal Bend	09:00	Mon
27 <b>M</b> ar	Ancil Hoffman	09:00	Mon
10 Apr	Empire Ranch	09:00	Mon
24 Apr	Wildhawk	09:00	Mon
08May	Mickey Grove	09:00	Mon
22 May	Antelope GR	09:00	Mon
05 Jun	Timber Creek	10:00	Mon
19 Jun	Whitney Oaks	08:30 SG	Mon
03 Jul	Barkley Cavanaugh	08:03	Mon
17 Jul.	Davis	09:00	Mon
31 Jul	Turkey Creek	08:00	Mon
14Aug	Teal Bend	09:00	Mon
28Aug	Wildhawk	09:00	Mon
11 Sep	Empire Ranch	09:00	Mon
25 Sep	Ancil Hoffman	09:00	Mon
09 Oct	Mickey Grove	09:00	Mon
23 Oct	Antelope GR	09:00	Mon
<b>06</b> Nov	Timber Creek	10:00	Mon
<b>20 Nov</b>	Alister McKinze	09:00	Mon

If you have any questions contact (Seth Hertzig at 916- 996-9605 or email me at **zhertzig@live.com**) or Bob Cash at 916- 806-7892 with email **bgcash@sbcglobal.net** 

Seth Hertzíg

#### **FISHING REPORT**

# Wheel / Reels Fishing Schedule for 2017

**Information Contact:** 



Walt Hodnett (916) 922-4197



WHEEL / REELS meet 4<sup>th</sup> Monday each month @ 07:00, Coco's Family Restaurant, Citrus Heights. Our next meeting will be on **Jan. 22, 2018** 

# Fishing location TBD at 4<sup>th</sup> Monday meeting (Coco's Restaurant).

Month	Fish Here	or Here	or	Here	
December	<b>Ladies Day</b>				

## Walt Hodnett

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Robert Wurtzer	Dec 03, 1941
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Hartley Hermansen	Dec 06, 1938
Ron Johnson	Dec 10, 1945
Art Tourtillott	Dec 11, 1947
Art Hartwell	Dec 11, 1931
Bob Jett	Dec 12, 1950
Jesse McKinley	Dec 13, 1936
Bob Schall	Dec 28, 1948

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Uati Saufoa & Elizabeth	Dec 3, 1987
Joe Lucsky & Yvonne	Dec 6, 1959
Gene Saeltzer & Arlene	Dec 22, 1962
Bob Jett & Mary	Dec 28, 2008
Rich Biela & Joan	Dec 28, 1991
Bill Gomez & Marie	Dec 29, 1962
Joe Herrera & Gail	Dec 30, ????

#### SPELLACY'S SPOTLIGHT



This month's "Spotlight" falls on Director Hartley Hermansen. Herm and I met at the Gold River "Starbuck's" on November 15<sup>th</sup> and enjoyed coffee and a good conversation before he headed out to participate in a Sirs bowling match.

#### Ed: Where do you hail from, Herm?

Herm: I grew up in the town of Hawthorne, NV, about 60 miles southwest of Carson City. Hawthorne was a very busy town when I was growing up during WW11, as the town housed a huge military supply depot that supported the war effort. I played varsity baseball and basketball in high school, and we came within one game of winning the State basketball championship in my senior year.

Ed: What path did you take after high school? Herm: I joined the US Air Force in 1958, and started a career that took me to many Strategic Air Command bases around the US. My specialty was nuclear electronics (AGM-28 and SRAM), aand I served at Ramey AFB, Beale AFB (where I met my wife Arlene), Warner -Robins AFB, Minot AFB and finally Mather AFB. I got involved in both golf and bowling at Warner-Robins, and helped to develop a nine hole golf course on the "frozen tundra" of Minot AFB, North Dakota. After my military career, I worked for 25 years for the Franchise Tax Board.

#### Ed: I know you have been involved with the Elks' Club for many years. Please tell us about that.

Herm: I've been an Elk for 38 years, having joined Rancho Cordova Elks in 1980. I have held many offices in the organization, including Exalted Ruler in 1990-91 and District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. I am still active as an Elks National Foundation Chairman.

#### Ed: When did you join Sirs Branch 112?

Herm: After I retired from Franchise Tax in 2004, my Elks friend Jack Lottritz steered me into Branch 112, where I have been very active since golf, bowling and taking leadership, positions. I have served as "Little Sir" for three years, "Big Sir" for one year, and will take the Treasurer position starting on January 1, 2018. I was also the Vice President of the Bowling League for 6 years.

#### Ed: What do you look forward to for Branch 112 in 2018?

Herm: I think that our activities are very solid with golf, bowling and fishing, but we can always add more, especially including our wives. Recruiting is critical to growing our Branch. As I've said many times, when you meet a possible recruit, "just ask him" if he knows about Sirs, then invite him to a luncheon to learn more. We have a great group of guys in our Branch, with proactive Officers and Directors. We need to maintain solid growth

Ed: Thanks you, Herm, for taking time out of your busy day to do this interview. We are very fortunate to have your energy and leadership qualities in our Branch.



REMINDER: Our Next luncheon for 2017 will be on Ladies Day at Red Hawk Casino the 1st Friday, 2017.



Dave Kwaczala

#### LUNCHEON MENU

SIR Branch 112 (1st Thursday at 11:30 AM

January- December 2017

Jan. 5 – Tri Tip, Baked Potato, Salad

Feb. 2 – Chicken Cordon-Bleu, Rice Pilaf, Vegetable

Mar. 2 – Corned Beef & Cabbage

Apr. 6 Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans

May 4 (Ladies' Day) – No Luncheon

Jun. 1 – Spaghetti, and Meatballs, Vegetable, Garlic Bread

Jul. 6 – Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Beans

Aug. 3 – Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable

Sep. 7 – Pork Loin W / au jus Gratin, Potatoes, Vegetable

Oct. 5 –Pot Roast, Potatoes, Carrots, Onions

Nov.2 - Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable

Dec. 7 (Ladies' Day) – No Luncheon

NOTE: Salad Bar available at all luncheons, including, Rolls and Butter, Deserts, Regular & Decaf Coffee.

#### Dredger Branch 112 Staff Members

	OFFICERS	
Big Sir	Tom Beigel	635-8399
Little Sir	Len Honeycutt	362-5370
Treasurer	Larry Mustain	635-5674
Assist. Treasurer	Art Tourtillott	635-6148
Secretary	Ed Spellacy	941-1726
<b>Assist. Secretary</b>	OPEN	
	DIRECTORS	
Director	Doug Evans	363-9112
Director	Mel Buzzard	635-6129
Director	Seth Hertzig	996-9605
Director	Jeff Jackson	393-5644
Director	Jerry Centabar	962-7252
	STATE OFFICERS	
Reginal Director	Ed Benson	925-943-7011
Area 3 Governor	Bob Perez	669-300-9571
	State Website www.sirinc.org	

	COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN	
	Rich Biela	
Absent call-in	Redsoxrich1939@gmail.com	635-8891
Audit:	John Spisak	366-6699
Bowling:	Benny Benson	383-0179
Bulletin:	John Spisak	366-6699
Chaplain:	Joe Halterman	638-0426
Golf:	Seth Hertzig	996-9605
Assist. Golf:	Bob Cash	806-7892
Handicapper:	Seth Hertzig	996-9605
Greeters:	Jesse McKinley	416-8226
	Dave Kwaczala	397-7074
Historian:	Open	
	Dave Kwaczala	
Lunch call-in	dkwaczala@yahoo.com	397-7074
Membership	Jerry Centabar	962-7252
Assist.		
Membership	Larry Mustain	635-5674
Activities	Doug Evans	363-9112
Property:	OPEN	
Recruiter:	OPEN	
Sunshine:	Jeff Jackson	393-5644
Wheels/Reels	Walt Hodnett	922-4197
Webmaster:	John Spisak	366-6699

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**ATTENDANCE**: 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 half of the regular meetings within the last twelve (12) consecutive month period, may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SIR. (Rule 100 & 107).