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BIG SIR'S CORNER

We had our Branch 37 monthly luncheon Thursday the 6th of April 2017 at the Auburn ELKS Lodge. We enjoyed an excellent breaded pork chop meal with all the trimmings. The meal and service was excellent. Thanks and compliments to the ELKS Chef and his staff.

Our birthday SIRs that were honored and recognized for the month were Bill Barker, Bob Ford, Phil Johannsen, Vern Krause, Don Meigs, Ed Vincent and Jeff White. Our money drawings went to 1st place Bill McPeak, 2nd place Rich Firpo and 3rd place to Kent Mac Donald. Our two wine drawings winners were Arlan Deutsch, and Henry Tukloff. I want to thank Tuk for filling in double time as our leader for the pledge and leader of song. Thanks Tuk.

We recognized three new SIRs. They were Joe Ames, Denny Paddock, and Bill Toy. All three introduced themselves and gave a brief bio for the branch. To the three I say a wholehearted welcome aboard and I am sure that the branch will grow and be better with your membership. We also had three guests, they were: Wayne Buchanan who responded to our Auburn Journal Ad, Mike Schumacker sponsor, Gary Willett, and Steve Carty, sponsor, Ed Vincent. We hope to see these three soon and often. Our thanks to the three and their sponsors.

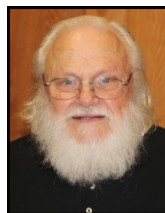
Our Activity Director Kent Mac Donald took time to address to the branch updating on all our many activities, especially the new one that have been introduced. Thanks Kent for a great job. We were entertained with the great humor of Doug Perry. As always Thanks Doug. We can always use a little humor in our complicated lives. Dave Wheatley introduced and told about our SIR of the month Dean Mixell. Dean has had an interesting life and career. Well done Profiler Dave.

Our guest speaker was our own Randal Peters who spoke on his many feats climbing Mount Everest and all the problems and issues involved. I was really amazed at all he has done. Randy is a very accomplished individual. Thanks Randy, the branch really appreciated your presentation with the great visuals. Great job goes to Randy, and Jim Managgie for all he does for our speaker program.

All of the activities were called on to give updates and report on their particular events. The importance of our table tubes, Our RAMP program and its importance. Bocce Ball is now on Mondays still 10:00 am at the Auburn Recreation Park.

All were reminded of the memorial for Mike Nickey this coming Sunday 9 April two p.m. at the Auburn ELKS.

A reminder was given stating that our BEC meeting will be the Black Bear Diner on the 27th of April at 08:30 a.m. All are welcome to come and see your BEC at work.



Your BIG SIR
Paul "P,T," McDaniel

May CALENDAR

WE MEET the 1st THURSDAY of EACH MONTH @ THE AUBURN ELKS LODGE
11:00 am Social Hour
12:00 pm Noon Lunch

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

May	4	Luncheon Meeting
May	10	Bulletin Material Due
May	31	Executive Board Meeting

8:30 am Black Bear—All Sirs Welcome

LUNCHEON MENU

Mexican
GARDEN SALAD & DRESSING
FRESH VEGETABLES
BREAD & BUTTER
DESSERT
COFFEE & TEA

If you will miss two or more consecutive luncheons email Wayne at helley@sbcglobal.net or call him at 885-6469

THE SPEAKER OF THE MONTH

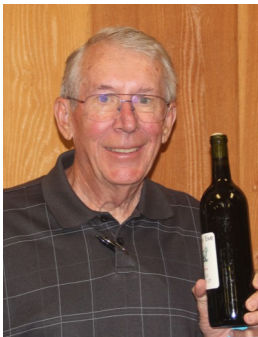
The May speaker will be Officer David Martinez of the CHP . He joined the California Highway Patrol in 1996 and began in Contra Costa area. He did back-ground investigations from 2002 - 2004, then Academy Instructor from 2004 - 2008 and now he is at the Auburn Area office.

He is married and has a daughter 27 and a son 22.

Jim Maneggie, Program Chairman



Our April speaker was Randall Peeters. He is a member of our branch since 2015 and who presently is following his profession as an inspirational speaker and consultant.



Branch 37 Opportunity Drawing winners

The winners at the April Luncheon were (left to right) 1st prize Bill McPeak, 2nd prize Rich Firpo, and 3rd prize Kent MacDonald. Phil Johannsen and Tuk Tukloff each won a bottle of Wine.



This months BEC Meeting we will be discussing:

- RAMP Program - status activities & member survey.
- Member Luncheon Attendance, active, inactive, emeritus

If you have interest in any of these discussions get with your BEC members or come join the meeting. We would like to get your inputs.

Treasurer's Report

4/6/2017 Balance: \$2462.79

Our Balance goal is \$2700.00. At the Luncheons the Table Tube and Drawing contributions are our main sources of income so please continue to contribute. If you took the \$4 left from the \$20 you used to buy lunch and divided it between the tubes and the drawing you would help the branch plus get a chance to win back your money.

SIR OF THE MONTH

Our SIR of the month of May is Gunter Vogtmann. He was born January 14, 1930, in Ahlen, Germany, and was the oldest of eight children. He did not finish his schooling in land management, as the Russian occupation closed the schools. Instead, he was conscripted into the German army at the age 15, three months before the end of the war.

He states he is on his eight life (think cats), as he survived numerous "deaths"; at five, he fell from a bridge and almost drowned; on 3/24/44, he survived 1,000 bombs on his village in three minutes, the closest within 50 yards; his army unit started at 50, and he was one of eight when they reached the front; he was buried twice in the collapse of trenches on construction projects; and had a serious auto accident; among others.

He immigrated to Pasadena, California in 1952, following seven years of applications, etc. His career centered around carpentry, building many houses in Ventura, Montecito, Ojai, etc. In 1987 he moved to Newcastle, where he built his two story home, with fantastic views. He worked for 20 years at the Roseville Community Hospital, as a carpenter and engineer.

He met his Lady Jeanette at a roller skating rink in Pasadena, and they have two girls and one boy. He met his Lady Betsy (deceased) at a German dance club in Oxnard.

Gunter is a man of many talents. His sports career included: having never skied, he was sent to a German sports camp, where in 6 months he was winning cross-country, slalom, and downhill events; in the 1950's he successfully competed in track and field (high jump, 400 meter to 3,000 meter runs), gymnastics, and wrestling; after that he was a diver, coming in 4th nationally, in 1978, in the 1 meter board event. He is a poet, having privately published two books, including a 100+ page book entitled: "Why Poetry? SEX Relives Tension and so does POETRY". He continues to do carpentry on occasion, and makes any number of fantastic objects from wood; his wooden rocking motorcycle won first place at the State fair; he makes intricate African type masks.

Gunter joined SIRS in July, 2015, and one of his current pleasures is Friday poker, especially taking money from Doug Perry. His advice is to "never give up", and his life certainly reflects that.

It was a pleasure to present this profile of Gunter.

Submitted by Profiler Dave Wheatley

Happy Birthday To Sirs

Richard Adams
Ronald Beeck
Albert Berry
Niel Bielski
Monroe Dejarnette
Jerry DeLuca
Tom Eastman
Linn Ferguson
Marvin Fetzer
Jess Glover
Wayne Helley
Don Lamoureaux
Randall Mealhow
Charles VanDam
Larry Yungblut

DAY ROAD TRIP ACTIVITY

HORTON IRIS GARDEN & PICNIC LUNCH

7440 KING ROAD, LOOMIS CA 95650

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017 @ 10:00 AM

BRING YOUR LADY
ENJOY A SPRING DAY
VIEW BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS
BRING A SANDWICH & DRINK
BRING A CHAIR
HAVE A PICNIC & RELAX

MAKE SURE YOU GET SIGNED UP!

See SIR Kent MacDonald for details



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ATTENDANCE

MARCH REPORT

Total Attendance	102
Guests	3
Sirs Present	105
Speaker	0
Excused*	11

*If you cannot attend two or
 more consecutive meetings
 contact:

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SIR ATTENDANCE RULE:

Rule 100: Members missing three (3) consecutive regular luncheon meetings without notifying the Attendance Chairman, or attending less than six (6) meetings within the last twelve (12) months period will be called by the Attendance Chairman regarding their attendance and could result in membership termination. Certified attendance at another Branch Meeting will be considered as a credit to the attendance record.

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BRANCH 37 ACTIVITIES (contact chairmen for information)

ACTIVITY	CHAIRMAN	PHONE	DATES AND TIMES
Activities Coord.	Kent MacDonald	745-0324	Meets during Luncheon social hour.
Bocce Ball	Al Andersen	916-652-5656	Monday; 10am @ Recreation Park
Computers	Chuck Vrooman	885-1335	2nd Wednesday; 10:30am @Elks Lodge
Day Road Trips	Kent MacDonald	745-0324	Various TBA
Dining Out	Kent MacDonald	745-0324	Various TBA
Fishing	Al Mattson	823-0576	2nd Thursday; 8:30am @ Denny's
Golf	Gene Vogel	889-2882	Tuesdays; 11am @ Black Oak
Model Airplanes	Don Walker	889-2717	Thursdays; 10am @ Railhead Park
Poker	Doug Perry	637-5061	Tuesday & Friday afternoons

NEW MEMBERS - WELCOME TO SIR'S



Denny Paddock and his wife Bonne reside in Foresthill. He retired from Clauss Cutlery in 2004. His interests include writing, speaking, publicity, dining out, travel, model railroad, and woodworking to mention a few. Note: "Bonne" is the correct spelling.

Welcome Denny



Bill Toy and his wife JoAnn reside in Auburn. He retired from emergency medicine for Calif. Emerg. Physicians in 1999. His interests include Computer Training, Cooking, Dining Out, Gardening, Investments, and the Theatre.

Welcome Bill



Joe Ames is a longtime member of SIR Palo Alto Branch, has move to Auburn, and now has joined our Branch. He handled the Travel Activity for the Palo Alto Branch, as well as, their Area Travel. He retired from Lockheed as SW Systems Engineer in 1993. He served in both U.S. Navy and U.S.M.C. His interests include Travel, Computers, and R.C. Airplanes.

Welcome Joe



Sirs with birthdays in April who attended the Luncheon

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