



A non-profit organization for retired men devoted to the promotion of independence and dignity of retirement

The Grapevine

SIR Branch #145 Monthly Meeting – Tuesday – February 12, 2013– Moose Lodge -11:30 AM

Speaker of the Month

Alaina Young
"Matties Memories"
The Life of Martha June Givens

BIG SIR sez

I urge all of you to attend our February meeting and bring a Friend, be a Friend.

We have 192 active members and we had 128 at the luncheon in January

We will install 2 new members this month:

Member	Ronald (Ron) Russell
Sponsor:	Raymond Porteous
Member	Dan Battilana
Sponsor	John Korphage
Reinstated	Vernon Schlotthauer

Remember, all new members will wear a smiley face on their badges for two months. So you can recognize and get to know them.

Fishing Chairman, Lee Bias, will absent for our February meeting. Phil Loecher has offered to work the table.

We have a volunteer for Sargeant of Arms, Jack Johnson, who was voted in at the last BEC meeting. Congratulations Jack.

We thank Ray Meinel for printing our SIR Introductory Cards.

Volunteers are needed to assemble the annual roster. Elmer Nichols is chairman of this project.

Volunteer drivers are needed to pick up disabled members to bring to the meetings. Contact me if you can bring someone.

We also need a Historian/archivist and we are looking for a little SIR for 2014. If you would like any of these positions, contact me or Little SIR Chuck Bennett.

5 SIR couples joined me at the Stockton Yacht club last month for dinner. This month it will be on Feb 20 at 6:15 pm. Dinner is only \$7.00 If you would like to attend contact me.

This is a great way to get to know your fellow SIR and spouse or friend.

It is the Annual SIRS day with the Giants on August 8, 2013, starting at 12:45 PM. The opposing team will be the Milwaukee Brewers. For tickets call: Marisa Coppersmith 415-972-2259, e-mail: mcoppersmith@sfgiants.com. Ticket are usually an early sell-out

Richard Bains and I spent a couple of hours with Ray Mueller's wife, Lida Mueller, what a treat. Neal Welsh and Al Furr called on Ray & Doris Mehlhaff. Ray is very fragile, but will try to attend our next meeting. Ray will be 95 in June

A side note, you cannot deduct donations made to SIR on your tax returns.

Many BIG SIR's are planning to meet for lunch in February to share new ideas and suggestions.

Our new Region 3 Director is Jon Moninger, replacing Maynard Rodiand, who was promoted to Vice President for SIR. Neal & I talked with Mr. Moninger about attending some of our meetings.

Our speaker, Alaina Young, will focus on Mattie's Memories, "The Life OF Martha June Givens". Mattie is her husband's great, great, great grandmother, who came west during the civil war and moved north of Lockford. Her travels will be a great interest to all.

Big SIR

Al Furr



February Golf News

Our first tournament is medal play at Swensen, February 22. I will have a sign up sheet at the February Meeting.

The second tournament is a Two Man Best Ball at Lockeford Springs on March 13th. I will also have a sign up sheet at the luncheon.

I have one Golf Coupon Book left. If you want it give me a call.

Howard Ferguson (368-4829)
Golf Chairman



February Birthdays

Ned Armstrong	Millard Fore
Fran Forkas	Chester George
Gary Greider	Robert Gross
Dave Hinchman	Jeffery Lee
Don Mauch	Weldon Moss
Clifford Nitschke	Valdemar Olson
Dwain Prickett	George Richards
Ron Scott	Joel Shinn
Ben Stroh	Daryl Talken

Lunch Menu

Meat Loaf
Gravy
Fried Chicken
Scalloped Potatoes
Peas
Bread & Butter
Salad Bar
Special Cake

Financial Report

Net loss for January \$448.76
Balance \$ 2778.07

IN Memorium:

SIR Many Dias, age 94



TRAVEL CORNER

February 2013

BRANCH 145 Jerry Wisenor -808 Tehama Dr. Lodi, CA 95242 (209-334-5181)

September 29 - October 6, 2013

Autumn in New England Seven Nights - Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation - One night in Boston-- Two in Ludlow, Vermont-- Two in Lincoln, New Hampshire-- Two in Portland, Maine

Price includes 13 meals with 14 tour stops, Home Pick-ups and Round Trip airfare. Double rate per person is \$2795. Please contact Jerry Wisenor 209-334-5181 Branch 145

October 18-23, 2013

Branson--Autumn in the Ozarks 5 nights at the Rapisson Hotel, 12 meals, 10 shows and free times. Price includes Home Pick-up and airfare. Double package price is \$1885 per person.

Please contact Jerry Wisenor 209-334-5181 SIR Branch 145

Put together your own group of SIRS for these one or two day trips through setness.com or storetours.com

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February 2013

Feb 12, 13 - Feb 12, 13 [Chinese New Year's Tour](#)

March 2013

Mar 15, 13 - Mar 15, 13 [St. Patrick's Day Lunch and Show](#)

April 2013

Apr 18, 13 - Apr 18, 13 [Preston Castle, Villa Tuscano Winery](#)

Visit setness.com for a multitude of one day tours and shows at this website. Click on day tours and scroll down.

1 Day

April 18, 2013

Enjoy an authentic ranch experience with your hosts, James and Anne Austin, who invite you to an authentic chuckwagon barbeque and narrated mule-drawn wagon ride through fields of wildflowers. Additionally, you are likely to see deer wild turkeys and other wildlife along the way.

\$119.00 Per Person

The Buddy Holly Story

1 Day

April 20, 2013

The man. The legend. The music. BUDDY tells the story of how the gifted Buddy Holly became the world's top recording artist with a show that features Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper, plus more than twenty of Holly's greatest hits including "Peggy Sue," "That'll be the Day," "Oh Boy," "Rave On" and "Maybe Baby."

Lunch at Willow Steakhouse.

\$114.00 Per Person