



SIR Branch 96 Amador Amblings

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SIR BRANCH 96 MEETS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Lunch will be served at 11:30

If you cannot attend a luncheon meeting, please contact Rich Broderson at 296-1605

A Non Profit Organization For Retired Men Devoted To The Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement

June 2019

FROM BIG SIR:

Fellow SIRs: I hope you all enjoyed Mothers Day with your special someone. My wife enjoyed hers by having me pull weeds with her in the yard. I am sure my Fathers Day will be a lot different. With Memorial Day past ,we will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of D-Day this year. This is time to reflect on why we have such wonderful liberties and life style. Remember, some of our fellow SIRs were at the beach or in the area during those days.

We are still looking for a few volunteers for club positions. Someone said they would help with the programs, but I can't remember who it was. Please let me know, as our present program director would like to train him. Enjoy your summer and be safe.



May Speaker

Rodger Riggsby from the California Auto Museum, who spoke on the museum and shared a lot of pictures of some of the vehicles on display.

June Speaker:

Chris Kolton from the Amador Senior Center.

A Toot from the Little SIR

I would like to thank everyone for their participation in our recent surveys. With your support I think this will provide us with a valuable planning tool for our monthly meetings and our special events. I found a way to remove the requirement to provide an email address when you take a survey so I hope that increases our participation.

One of the questions in the last survey concerned participation in the Ladies Appreciation Day, scheduled for August 1, 2019. Of the 75 responses, 50 said they would not be attending. If there is anything I can do to encourage you to attend please let me know. I am hoping for an excellent turn out this year. That's it for now. See you June 6th.

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FISHING CLUB

It is time again for the ANNUAL PARDEE LAKE KIDS FISHING DERBY, on Saturday, June 29, 2019. The Fishing Derby is scheduled from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, fishing from 9:00 to noon. A free breakfast will be provided by Pardee Management for the SIR's Volunteers, starting between 6:00 and 7:00 at the Pardee Coffee Shop, just inside the main entrance. For the free breakfast and to get in the front gate you will need to tell them you are with SIRs. The Lake Pardee Recreation Group will provide all the equipment that is needed, including bait. Our jobs will be to assist the kids at the fishing tanks, weighing their catch, cleaning and bagging their fish, helping with awards, and anything else that may be needed. **It's a fun day!!** We could still use a couple more SIR's Volunteers for relief and wives are invited, contact Dee Davis at 245-6180.

LAKE PARDEE - Trout and Kokanee remain at the 30 to 60 foot levels. The report is some good bass fishing in and around the coves at the extreme south end of the Lake.

CAMANCHE LAKE - Large trout are still being caught 40 to 50 feet deep. Power bait (in rainbow, garlic, and chartreuse) and nightcrawlers are still the bait of choice for bank-fishing, which has been slow.

NEW MELONES RESERVOIR - Kokanee are schooling up and averaging 12 to 14 inches.

Reservoir Status On June First

Reservoir	% capacity	% average this date	Feet down from full
Pardee	101	110	0
Camanche	79	118	13
New Hogan	71	128	36
New Melones	83	132	83

RV Group

SIRS 15/96 RV GROUP

Well, our first trips have arrived! 17 rigs went to Fortuna, CA starting May 23rd, for several days of fun, especially observing the three day Kinetic Boat races. After that, 10 rigs went on to Florence, Oregon to enjoy the coast, the Sea Lion Caves and get in a little golf from May 29th-June 4th. A few of will not be at the June luncheon, as 7 rigs are going on from Florence to spend 5 days in Astoria, staying at the Lewis and Clark RV Park. There is much to see and do there. Hope to have some pictures for next month !

SIR Ladies Appreciation Day

Italian Picnic Grounds

August 1, 2019 - 4 PM – 8 PM

Dinner – Dancing – Raffle – Karaoke

Music by DJ Gizmo

\$25.00 per ticket

Tickets are on sale now at our current Meetings



TRAVEL TALK

TOURS CAN INCLUDE HOME TRANSFERS TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT, YOUR AIRFARE AND MUCH MORE. Talbot Tours will work with you if you have requests – they aim to please, but be sure to make your requests when you book your tour. Then just go and enjoy your trip without hassles and worries!

.....PLEASE GET YOUR PASSPORTS READY FOR TRAVEL TO ANOTHER COUNTRY!.....

Niagara Falls & Mackinac Island – October 18-25, 2019

Romantic horse drawn carriage rides, see magical Niagara Falls U.S. and Canada. Hurry! It's filling up fast.... Not sure if there is any room left but we will make a phone call to see if there is space left.

New Port Mansions and Cape Cod – September 7 – 13, 2019

The legendary rich called them their "cottages!" You will marvel as you tour Vanderbilt's Breakers Mansion, the grandest of New Port's summer cottages and the Elms Mansion modeled after an 18th century chateau. You'll tour Providence/New Bedford – and after touring check in at Hyannis Harbor Hotel in Massachusetts. From there you will enjoy the "storybook island" of Martha's Vineyard. Next day you'll explore Cape Cod, as you travel down the Old King's Highway where you will experience New England architectural heritage in the various colonial villages on your way to Provincetown and the Pilgrim's landing. You'll do some whale watching (after all, this is Moby Dick's world.) You are going to Hyannis of Kennedy fame. Then, board your High-Speed Catamaran for a cruise to the stunning island of Nantucket and after you tour, feast on your classic New England really big Lobster Dinner. (These are not California lobsters - these are really big Bigggg meaty lobsters!) Bev, my wife, loved her vacation to these places. All I got were a cap and t-shirt that she brought back for me.

Canary Islands 11 Day Sapphire Princess Cruise– October 6 – 19, 2019

This cruise includes a day in London, and then Vigo, Spain, Madeira, Portugal, and the islands of Tenerife Las Palmas and Arrecife of Spain's famous Canary Islands. Vigo was settled by Celts about 300 BC. They still play bagpipes. Madeira wine is known through the western world. Tenerife has the 12,200 feet Mt Teide. Gran Canaria island has been a winter haven for Europeans for many years and it grows a wide variety of produce. On Arrecife, take a camel ride in its volcanic park and later you can enjoy a volcano-broiled steak at the park restaurant. Unique islands that were very important in the history of global explorations! One of our members was born there when his family was stationed there in the military. The islands have been an important part of U.S. military strategy.

New Years in New Orleans December 30, 2019 – January 3, 2020

We are going to the BIG EASY for New Year's 2020! *Laissez les bons temps rouler* and phonetically it is pronounced Layza lay bon ton roo lay. That's Cajun French for "Let the good times roll!" Have you figured out what Vieux Carre is in English?

Four nights at the fabulous Astor Crown Plaza located in the middle of it all, on the corner of Canal and Bourbon Street, where we will greet the New Year with dancing, dining, drinks and good cheer. Now's your chance to put on your glad rags, hold your precious one close and show off your best moves on the dance floor. Don't forget that kiss as the clock strikes twelve midnight, and to blow your horn and wish a Happy New Year for us all at the top of your lungs. (continued...)

TRAVEL TALK (continued)

We are going to visit the Oak Alley plantation, so called because of the overarching 300 year old oak trees that line and cover the approach to the antebellum style mansion. The slavery and Civil War exhibit in the Sugar Cane Theater bring alive the period before and after the Civil War.

You have a choice on the 2nd day of the New Year between 2 very different excursions:

World War II exhibit that celebrates our finest generation (which one of our members has said is the best ever.... anywhere!) This includes an experience aboard the USS Tang, the most successful submarine in the war! Plus, a Pontoon Bayou Swamp tour among the ancient cypress trees where you will see snakes, racoons, possibly other critters, and of course, some big gators. Not for the faint of heart!

.....**.OR.**.....

Enjoy, watch, learn from entertaining New Orleans Chefs at the New Orleans School of Cooking and then have an exotic Cajun/Creole meal. Then we are off to Mardi Gras World where you will learn the history of Mardi Gras in New Orleans and get to see the “float den” where the floats are built and see the floats much closer than you ever could at Mardi Gras.

The Following are 2020 Tours --- It's Not Too Early to buy those Green Bananas

Feb 24 - Mar 1 2020 Hawaii 2 Island Tour: You will visit Oahu and Hawaii. We all love the Islands--great places to chill out, enjoy the beauty and Hang Loose!

Mar 29 – April 5 2020 Princess Pacific Coastal North: Sail out of San Francisco round trip to Astoria, Seattle, Vancouver, BC., and Victoria, BC. These cities are the jewels of the Northwest.

May 09 - 21 2020 Oberammergau, Imperial Splendors: This is the Passion of Christ Play to eclipse them all. It only happens once every TEN YEARS – so if you dilly or dally—you are out of luck. You will also visit these great cities: Munich, Prague, Budapest, Vienna, Salsburg.

July 30 -Aug 7 2020 US and Canada National Parks: No mountains, glaciers, lakes, forests more beautiful and so easy to get too. You will never forget this vacation.

Oct 09 – 18 , 2020 Tuscany, Cinque Terre & Italian Riviera: These places are loaded with beauty, history and are the regions from which many of us came – go see your relatives and home towns!

There are brochures for all the vacations offered available at the SIR meetings or call Tom Rushing. Reservation forms are located on the backs of the brochures with instruction how to proceed with your well-deserved vacation. Contact Tom Rushing at 209-772-3485 bevrushing@aol.com



SIRS Golf

SIRS 15/96 Golf Club

We were able to get in three weeks of play, in a row! But, more rain caused us to cancel play on May 21st. May 28th, we have our annual Memorial Day match play. Possibly, the rains will leave and we can get in a full month of golf on Tuesdays in June. Anyone interested in joining us is very welcome. Contact Don Paris, our Tournament Chairman, at 770-3663..

12 Month Calendar of Lunch Menus—2019

(All meals include Salad, Coffee and Desert)

January

Pork loin
Baked potatoes
Fresh veggies

February

Chicken with a
teriyaki glaze
Rice pilaf
Fresh veggies

March

Corn beef and
cabbage
Mashed potatoes
with gravy
Fresh veggies

April

Ham
Au gratin potatoes
Fresh veggies

May

Pork Carnitas(slow
cooked), Mexican rice,
refried beans, corn salad
Flour tortillas-sour cream-
green onions-Picante sauce-
cheddar cheese

June

**Roast top sirloin
Mashed potatoes
with gravy
Fresh veggies**

July

Cheeseburgers
Pasta salad
Corn on the cob

August

Special Menu TBD
Meeting held at Italian
Picnic Grounds

September

Meatloaf
Mashed potatoes with
gravy
Fresh veggies

October

Chicken-fried steak
Au gratin potatoes
Fresh veggies

November

Turkey
Mashed Potatoes with
gravy
Fresh veggies

December

Baked Chicken
Roasted red potatoes
Fresh veggies

Cliff Howard
 Rahls Hemmes
 Ronald Gibbs
 Joe Miller
 Lyle Hartman
 Michael Soloman
 Richard Broderson
 Richard Bilheimer

June Birthdays



Doug Silva
 Lawrence Robertson
 Peter Strobel
 Charles Bradshaw
 Albert Burkett
 David Hennings
 Johnny Medina
 Robert Birge

SIRS JUNE Roster Changes

New Member

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e-mail change:

Rahis Hemmes
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Remove:

Cass, Fred #4	Moved
Soloman, Michael #53	Moved
Travao, LuWayne #52	Resigned
Schreiber, Hurbert #142	Deceased

Welcome New Member!

Craig Martin



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WEBSITE WWW.SIR96.ORG

MONTHLY REPORT FOR May 2019

Total Members:	150
Active Members:	143
Inactive Members:	7
Present Members:	93
Excused Members:	22
Unexcused Members:	28
Missing Badges:	4
Percent Present:	65%
Percent YTD:	64%

NEXT LUNCHEON MEETING

Thursday, June 6, 2019

The Branch Executive Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month in the American Legion Ambulance Training Room at 9:30 a.m. All interested members of SIRs are invited to attend.

For a ride to the luncheon meetings you may contact:

From Amador City, Drytown, Plymouth and Fiddletown area:

- Dee Davis—Phone 245-6180

From Pine Grove/Pioneer area:

- Guy Garner—Phone 295-7027