

# Rooster's Tale



*Sons in Retirement* – Branch 110

**Meeting December 19, 2022** 1705 Manzanita Avenue, Chico, CA  
**Luncheon at 11:30 am**—Executive Committee 9:30 am

**Program:** Members of Branch 110 have a treat to look forward to at our December 19, 2022, Luncheon Meeting. We will be entertained with happy Christmas music by the Sounds of the Valley Chorus. This wonderful singing group is a membership organization of female singers, who meet regularly to practice, perform, socialize and have fun. Originally chartered in 1974 as Chico Sweet Adelines, the chorus was renamed the Sounds of the Valley Chorus in 1994. For over 45 years, they have carried on the proud tradition as Chico's Original Women's Barbershop Chorus.



**Lunch:** The food will still be served as it has been recently. There will be an option of ordering just a salad **when you respond to the survey.** The cost will still be \$17.

Lunch Menu	Attendance Communication
<b>Grilled Chicken</b> w/ lemon Caper sauce, wild rice pilaf, field green mixed salad with a carrot, cucumber, grape tomato, mandarin, sesame dressing; bread and butter. Dessert: cherry cobbler with whipped cream.	It is important to communicate whether you will participate in the <b>December</b> luncheon. <b><u>Please respond to the survey,</u></b> but if you could not do the survey, and <b><u>if you WILL attend,</u></b> contact Rocky Rockwell at 916-209-3217 or Dave Jones at 530-895-1022 <b>by Thursday, December 15.</b>

## Big Sir Message:



**Please check out our website for updates and lots of new humor.**

**Branch 110 Website: <http://www.branch110.sirinc2.org>**

**Webmaster: Ron Braziel**

## 2022 Branch Executive Committee (BEC) Members

<b>Big Sir: Norm Stump</b>		<b>Little Sir: Rich Utter</b>	
<b>Secretary: Bob Dinger</b>	<b>Asst. Sec.: Dave Rush</b>	<b>Data Base Mgr: Rocky Rockwell</b>	
<b>Treasurer: Ed Matzdorff</b>	<b>Asst. Treas. : Jose Lopez</b>	<b>Asst. Treas. : Charles Staser</b>	
<b>Attendance Sec.: Bruce Heidemeyer</b>			
<b>Director: Dave Jones (3<sup>rd</sup> term)</b>	<b>Director: Don Alger (2<sup>nd</sup> term)</b>	<b>Director: Jim Braziel (2<sup>nd</sup> term)</b>	
<b>Director: Ron Braziel (1<sup>st</sup> term)</b>	<b>Director: Bill Colvin (1<sup>st</sup> term)</b>	<b>Director: Ken Edson (1<sup>st</sup> term)</b>	





## Health, Wisdom and Memorials

In order to include information about Branch 110 members who have health issues or have passed away, **everyone's assistance is requested**. If you know of a member who has had health issues or has recently died, please contact Don Alger. Let's not miss acknowledging our fellow members.

**Truth will always be truth regardless of lack of understanding, disbelief or ignorance.**  
**W. Clement Stone**

## SIR 110 Activities

**Please remember that when planning SIR activities, it is critical that approval be obtained from the BEC and have it entered into the minutes for insurance coverage.**

<b>Bridge</b>		Bob Dinger had the high score in one session in November. Please come join this friendly Bridge group. They meet weekly on Thursdays at 2750 Sierra Sunrise Terrace in Chico at noon. Call Ed Mazdorff at 342-3649 for information.
<b>Out to Lunch</b>		There is no report of plans for an OTL activity in December.
<b>Wood Working</b>		Michael Kobelt and Bill Gebhardt created a new feature in the shop, a coffee corner. Martha Stewart might not give its location her approval, but they did try to keep the sawdust out of the coffee. Come join us, project or not, and have a cup. We show up every Thursday from 10:00 till 2ish, with lunch at Bellanchino's. Call Craig Lindquist at 530-898-8483 or Bill Gebhardt at 530-879-0429 for more information.
<b>Pinochle</b>		Due to a date conflict at Butte Creek Country Club there was no Pinochle game in November. The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 28, at BCCC, 11:00 for lunch and game. Come join us. Call Joe Navarro at 343-0832 with questions.

**Information on the January 5<sup>th</sup> In and Out Breakfast is available under "Announcements"**

**Golf**

Branch 110 Golf is a very popular activity not only for our members but also for other local SIR Branches. There are tournaments usually twice a month on Mondays with a variety of entertaining formats at different courses. Call **Darrell Hands**, the Chair of the activity, at 530-966-1303 for information.

On Monday, November 21, 40 SIRs played a 4-man scramble at Bidwell.

1 <sup>st</sup> Place Net = 55.5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Net = 56.1	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Net = 56.6	4 <sup>th</sup> Place Net = 58.7
BROWN, WAYNE	HARRIS, DAVE	BROSSOIT, PAUL	PETERSON, RON
DONAHOO, SCOTT	LAMPE, DON	SHOOK, DOUG	SMITH, SAM
GAINES, BOB	PORTERFIELD, CAP	NUSSBAUM, RICHARD	WEIDERT, JIM
PETERICH, TERREL	VELASQUEZ, JOE	STURT, DON	

Closest to pin #4: WEIDERT, JIM - 8' 3"; MAIN, ED - 8' 10"; PETERICH, TERREL - 9' 4"

Closest to pin #12: MABREY, BOB - 7' 3"; VELASQUEZ, JOE - 12' 3"; QUINTO, RAY - 14' 0"

**Piscatology**

**Frank Moody** from Oroville is the winner of the 2022 "Largest Fish Caught Yearly". Frank received the **Les VanderVelden Trophy**, awarded for the largest fish caught each year.



Frank is a retired Electrical Contractor/Designer. He is seen in this picture, at Frenchman Lake, near Portola, California. No future fishing trips are planned at this time. See everyone at our monthly breakfast, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at Cozy Diner, 7:30 am. Bring a token Christmas present to be exchanged with other fishermen. \$10 or less. Call Bill Colvin 530-521-7269 for more information

**Bowling**

**Men's Drop-in League:** Play is on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. It is held at the Chico Bowl from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. There are 3 games for \$14. Come join other men from both SIR groups. For any questions, you can text Randy Benson at 530-513-9815.

**Travel**

There are some tours scheduled for 2023.

- **Scenic Ireland Trip through Ireland - April 14-27, 2023.**
- **Salmon Fishing in Ketchikan, Alaska, during the last two weeks in June 2023. Contact Heber Slusser at Branch62sir@gmail.com**
- **Autumn Colors Trip to East Coast - October 13-22, 2023.**

For information on tours, contact Jose Lopez at 891-6715 or 864-5978.

**History**

There are no official SIR History Club activities planned. Please forward any ideas for any potential group history activities. There will be an endeavor to keep interested folks informed about upcoming history related activities. Please contact Don Alger at [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu) for more information on the following events.

**Chico History Museum Presentation**

**December 10: "First 100 years of the Chico Police Department"**

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**Hiking**



The originally planned December 15 hike has been rescheduled for **Wednesday, January 18**. We'll go to Llano Seco for a hike in the area. We'll meet at the Park and Ride lot off Highway 99, in the lot closest to Highway 99, at 9 am and carpool to Llano Seco.

**PLACE:** Llano Seco Unit, Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area [meet at Park and Ride lot off Highway 99 - the Park and Ride lot closest to 99]

**DATE:** **Wednesday, January 18, 2023**

**TIME:** 9:00 am

**WEAR:** Layers, hat, walking or hiking shoes or boots.

**LOGISTICS:** There are toilets in the parking area. Bring water. Bring a snack, if desired. I suggest bringing sunscreen, lip balm, walking poles or staff if desired, a personal first aid kit and rain gear. This is a bird area so binoculars could come in handy. Include in your pack the name of an emergency contact and contact information and medical insurance information.

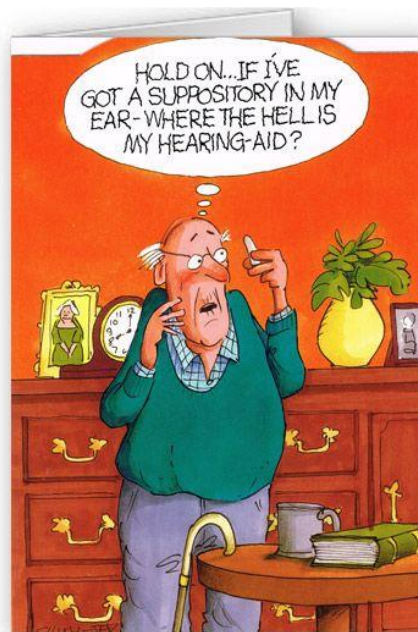
Bring money for lunch afterward - we'll go to lunch at a place to be determined.

**COMMENTS:** This hike is generally on terrain with little elevation changes. Surfaces may be uneven so be alert to tripping and fall hazards. Surfaces may be muddy.

For additional information, please contact Rich Utter at [rich.utter@gmail.com](mailto:rich.utter@gmail.com) or Jim Hertl.

**50 Years Ago** **December 29, 1972:**


*Life* magazine's **final weekly issue** carried the December 29, 1972, date, though it was on newsstands the week before. *Life* was an American magazine published weekly from 1883 to 1972, as an intermittent "special" until 1978, and as a monthly from 1978 until 2000. During its golden age from 1936 to 1972, *Life* was a wide-ranging weekly general-interest magazine known for the quality of its photography, and was one of the most popular magazines in the nation, regularly reaching one-quarter of the population.





**There are currently 117 active members.**

Membership brochures and applications are always available at the membership table or you can call Don Levensaler at **891-1045** to get one via the postal service.

New Member in November	Guests in November
 <p>Name: <b>Jay Hanson</b>                      Wife: Ginny                      Occupation: City Planner – City of Chico                      Interests: Golf, Wine Tasting, Woodworking, Antique Cars, Bocce, RV's, Gardening                      Sponsored by: <u>Randy Benson</u></p>	<p><b>Chuck Clark</b>—guest of Jose Lopez</p> <p><b>Rick Pero</b>— guest of Dave Jones</p>

## Roster Updates

Since the preparation of the 2022 Roster, some have passed away, some have dropped and new members have joined. The Roster Updates will keep members informed of **current membership**. **Please refer to the June edition of the Rooster's Tale for previous Roster Updates.**

For privacy reasons, typical Roster information on new members will not be published in the Rooster's Tale. If you need to communicate with a new member, contact Don Alger at 530-894-2452 or [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu) for a contact procedure.

<b>Recent Deaths</b>	Don Curtis	Bob Thomas		
<b>Recent Drops</b>	Don Kidd			
<b>New Members</b>	Randy Benson	Robert DiPietro	Michael Hull	Frank Moody
	Jim Johnson	Al Romero	Larry Willis	Joe Viscuso
	Clinton Lancaster	Alex Van Patten	Jay Hanson	
<b>Reinstated Members</b>	Ruben Martinez	Vance Parker	Dennis Wolfe	

## Announcements

- **Editor's Note:** The deadline for the **January** issue is **Thursday, January 5**. Send your information by email: [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu) or phone at (530) 894-2452.
- **Future Programs:** The program for **January** will be about Weather Forecasting presented by Jason Stiff from KHL Action News Now.
- **State SIR Bulletin: ("Sir Happenings")** The latest edition is available for review at <https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>
- **Save the Date:** The **In and Out Breakfast** is scheduled for **January 5<sup>th</sup> at 9 am** at the Farmer's Skillet. The In and Out Breakfast is a celebration of our outgoing and incoming branch officers. All branch members are welcome at the In and Out Breakfast. Seating is limited so please sign up to reserve your spot. Contact Rich Utter at [rich.utter@gmail.com](mailto:rich.utter@gmail.com) to reserve a spot at the breakfast.



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If you have a December Birthday, join us at the December 19<sup>th</sup> luncheon and find out what you might win. **It could be a free lunch! \***

Michael	Hull	Dec	7	Ruben	Martinez	Dec	17	Robert	Mabrey	Dec	22
Steven	Storm	Dec	9	Charles	Priddy	Dec	18	Donald	Phillips	Dec	28
Ronald	Braziel	Dec	14	Robert	Stone	Dec	18	Don	Levensaler	Dec	29
Alex	Van Patten	Dec	15	Cap	Porterfield	Dec	19				

**\*It is possible to get a free lunch without being a Birthday Boy. There has been a free lunch winner at some meetings from a random selection process. Also both the sponsor and his guest will receive a free lunch when the guest joins and is inducted.**

**Please plan on bringing a friend to the next SIR meeting.**