

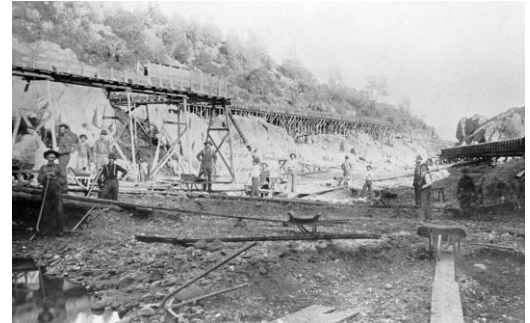
Rooster's Tale



Sons in Retirement – Branch 110

Meeting February 28, 2022 1705 Manzanita Avenue, Chico, CA
Luncheon at 11:30 am – Executive Committee 9:30 am

Program: The program will be about the History of Gold Mining in Butte County. The speaker will be **Larry Mauch**. After moving to the northern hills of Oroville a few years ago, Larry became an historian/researcher at Yankee Hill Historical Society. He has provided information on several mining operations in Butte County. He is also currently serving on the board of the Butte County Historical Society and has become very knowledgeable about Butte County.



Lunch: The food will still be served as it has been recently. **The cost will still be \$17.** It is absolutely critical to indicate whether you will be having lunch. **See the procedure below.**

Lunch Menu	Attendance Communication
Chicken Stuffed with prosciutto, spinach, gouda cheese and herbs, comes with a sun-dried tomato cream sauce, mashed potatoes, grilled asparagus. and Cheesecake with Strawberry glaze for dessert.	It is important to communicate whether you will participate in the February luncheon. There will be a survey but if you did not do the survey and <u>if you WILL attend</u> , contact Rocky Rockwell at 916-209-3217 or Dave Jones at 530-895-1022 by Thursday, February 24.



Big Sir Message: February is here and that means that the trees are starting to bud out. That also means that we should be looking for old members to start returning to SIR lunches. We have a lot going on in our organization. I understand Ed Matzdorff won 3 matches at the last Bridge meeting. Fishing is all set up for places to go for the next few months. They would like to have more SIR members join them. For those that like to go for a walk, the hiking group has some interesting places to

go hiking. They would like to have more members join them. I am still looking for some chairs to fill, including the LITTLE SIR. If you know any members that haven't been attending, please ask them to join us at our next get together February 28. *Norm*

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

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

Webmaster: Ron Braziel

Proposed 2022 Officers and Directors**

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

****This list of Officers and Directors should be voted on at the February meeting.**

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 provide the information to Don Alger. Let's not miss acknowledging our fellow members.


Roger Steel's passing is belatedly noted. He passed away on October 5th, 2021. Roger spent his career as a teacher, principal, and later school superintendent, serving in Australia, Lassen County, Chico, Gerber, and finally Nevada City. In retirement, he continued his commitment to enhancing his community by serving on the boards of Butte County Schools, Chico Museum, and Patrick Ranch. He was a SIR member since 2018.


**Beware of false knowledge:
It is more dangerous than ignorance.**

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.

Bridge		Bob Dinger and Ed Matzdorff each had a high series. 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.
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Vino 110		No wine tasting this month but as long as the powers that be agree in March on the 17th at 4pm we will go to the Almendra winery which is in the same building as the Almendra restaurant owned by the Bertagna family at 3275 Midway in Durham.
The reason for the later time is so that we can then go to dinner at the restaurant if we want. Cost for tasting is \$15 per person and includes 5 tastings. Please RSVP and let Don Kidd know if you plan to attend at 530-624-3733 or donkidd44@gmail.com by March 7 for both the tasting and dinner. In April our tasting will be a blind tasting of several whites and reds hopefully mid month in Jim Braziels barn. Unknown time, date and cost at this point.		

Travel		There are currently some tours scheduled for 2022. The first one is: Holland Tulip Festival Tour Featuring Mackinac Island's Grand Hotel, May 12 -19, 2022 For information on tours, contact Jose Lopez at 891-6715 or 864-5978.
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In & Out Breakfast: **Dennis Bruggman** has made plans for this event which is set for **February 16, 2022**. It will be held at Farmers Skillet, 690 Rio Lindo Avenue, at **7:30 am**. Please save the date and plan on attending.

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. Darrell Hands is the Chair of the activity and can be reached at 530-966-1303 for more information.
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On February 1, 57 Sirs played a **scramble format** at Bidwell.

Flight One


First Place; Net group Score=58.0		Second Place; Net Group Score=58.8	
BINGAMAN, BILL	HANDS, DARRELL	CUMMINGS, DON	PARKER, VANCE
DAVIS, SAM	MESSINA, JOHN	DAY, JEFF	PASCOE, RICH


Flight Two


First Place; Net group Score=58.4		Second Place; Net Group Score=58.6	
ATKIN, NORM	KNOWLTON, JACK	BROSSOIT, PAUL	HYDER, MARK
GLAZINER, KYLE	REIMANN, FRANK	EBER, JEFF	PERTUIT, GLEN


Closest to the pin #4: QUINTO 0' 19"; PERTUIT 3' 1/2"; NUSSBAUM 9' 0".


Closest to the pin #16: LIM 7' 4"; STASER 8' 0"; BRUGGMAN 8' 7".

Piscatology		The fishing group is hoping to fish Shasta Lake the first week in March. We need (1) boat launch ramp, (2) cabin or motel and (3) restaurant - hopefully all three in close proximity to the other.
Our next breakfast meeting will be at Cozy Diner, this Thursday February 10 th , at 7:00 am. Please join us if you have any suggestions. Call Bob Weckerle 530-864-6698 or Bill Colvin 530-521-7269 for more information.		

Pinochle		Due to the surge of COVID cases, pinochle for January was cancelled. We are planning to meet this month on February 23 at 11:30 am at the Butte Creek Country Club. Please call Joe Navarro at 343-0832 with questions.
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Hiking		Our next Sons in Retirement hike is scheduled for Thursday, March 10 , in Lower Bidwell Park. We'll take a three mile hike on level terrain with lunch after for those interested. PLACE: Meet at Sycamore Field Parking, Lower Bidwell Park
DATE: Thursday, March 10		
TIME: 9:00 am		
WEAR: Dress for the weather, layers are suggested. Include a hat and walking or hiking shoes or boots		
LOGISTICS: Parking is available at Sycamore Field. Sycamore Field is accessible from South Park Drive. Bring water for drinking, a snack if desired, walking poles or staff if desired, and a personal first aid kit. Include in your pack the name and contact information for an emergency contact and your medical insurance information. If you bring walking poles, please include rubber tips as we'll be walking on hard surfaces. Bring money for lunch afterward - we'll go to lunch in Chico after the hike at a place to be determined.		
ROUTE COMMENTS: We'll take a hike on level terrain. The maintained path is paved or gravel. There are restrooms fairly close to the start and near the midpoint. We'll walk along the path that is south of Big Chico Creek past Cedar Grove then take the next crossover to the north side of the creek and return along Petersen Memorial Way. Please contact Richard Utter at rurdy@yahoo.com or 925-922-7020 with any questions.		

Out to Lunch		For the month of February USA. As always the OTL will be on the last Thursday of the month, in this case the 24 th . Our tour will be the " Earth Worm Farm " in Butte Valley. What do you know about Vermiculture? What is Vermiculture? Come on the tour at 2552 Clark Road, near Butte College, starting at 10:30 am the 24 th of February and find out. We will eat at The Red Rooster Café in Durham CA. It is in near the crossroads of Durham Dayton Road and Midway. <u>Please let Bill McNelley know if you can make it at 530-228-7948.</u>
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History Club		There are no official History Club activities planned for February. The opportunities to "justify our existence" by attending Chico History Museum Saturday lectures will not be possible until March, since they cancelled the February dates due to COVID precautions. The complete Spring schedule along with ticketing information is available at https://chicohistorymuseum.org/ . Please contact Don Alger at dalger@csuchico.edu to receive regular updates on History Club activities.
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Woodworking: The SIR Bidwell 110 Woodworking Activity is no longer active as it has existed in the past. However, it was agreed at the December BEC meeting that the Woodworking activity would be placed on a "**temporary inactive status**" in hopes that it can be revived.

Miscellaneous Historical Notes

January 19, 1972: Yogi Berra was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. He was of course famous for a variety of baseball accomplishments but also for his mangled quotes while speaking to reporters. For example:

10. "It's like deja vu all over again."
9. "You better cut the pizza in four pieces because I'm not hungry enough to eat six."
8. "The future ain't what it used to be."
7. "We made too many wrong mistakes."
6. "Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded."
5. "You can observe a lot just by watching."
4. "You should always go to other people's funerals; otherwise, they won't come to yours."
3. "When you come to a fork in the road, take it."
2. "Baseball is 90 percent mental. The other half is physical."
1. "It ain't over 'til it's over."

February 17, 1972: The **Volkswagen Beetle** broke the record for the most popular automobile in history, as the 15,007,034th Beetle was produced. Between 1908 and May 26, 1927, a total of 15,007,033 **Model Ts** had been produced.





There are currently 151 active members.

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

Annual Basket Collection (ABC) fee is due for 2022. It will be \$24.00 for the year and it will be collected at the membership table. If you will not be at the February 28 luncheon meeting, a check made out to SIR Branch 110 can be mailed to Don Levensaler, 2354 Burlingame Dr., Chico, CA 95928.

New Member in January	Guests in January
 <p>Name:: Robert DiPietro Wife: Laura Occupation: Optometrist Company: Self Employed Interests: Golf, Hiking, Gardening Sponsored by: Rich Carlson</p>	<p>Frank Moody guest of Howard Hamman Dennis Bettencourt guest of Jose Lopez Al Romero guest of Norm Stump Jim Johnson guest of Don Levensaler</p>

Announcements

- **Editor's Note:** The deadline for the **March** Rooster's Tale is **Thursday, March 10**. Send your information by email: dalger@csuchico.edu or phone at (530) 894-2452.
- **New 2022 Roster:** The plan is now to have the 2022 Membership Roster available for the March luncheon meeting. Don't miss picking one up.
- **Annual Basket Collection (ABC):** **Just another friendly reminder to plan on paying your ABC fee as detailed above.** 😊
- **Future Programs:** The currently scheduled program for March will be a presentation about water resources in Northern California including the Tuscan Water District. The speaker will be Tod Kimmelshue. **As always, new ideas are welcome.**
- **State SIR Bulletin:** ("Sir Happenings") The latest edition is available for review at <https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>

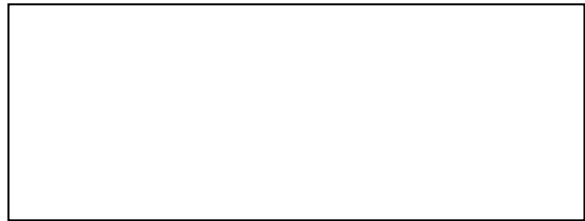




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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If you have a February Birthday, please join us at the February 28 luncheon and find out what you might win. Perhaps a free lunch!**

Bill McDermott	Feb	3	Ray Wilson	Feb	16	Alan Stephenson	Feb	24
Don Cummings	Feb	5	Bob Thomas	Feb	17	John Janinis	Feb	24
Dan Solomon	Feb	9	Joe Velasquez	Feb	18	Michael Fromer	Feb	24
Ralph Dacy	Feb	12	Bruce Heidemeyer	Feb	19	Matt Cabral	Feb	24
Phil Morgan	Feb	13	Ed Thomas	Feb	20			

****It is possible to get a free lunch card without being a Birthday Boy. There has been a free lunch winner at 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!

Happy Valentine's Day