

# Rooster's Tale



*Sons in Retirement – Branch 110*

**Meeting September 27, 2021 1705 Manzanita Avenue, Chico, CA  
Luncheon at 11:30 am–Executive Committee 9:30 am**

**Program:** The program will be about the Butte Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) which is an intra-local agency to ensure that changes in government occur in a manner that provides efficient and quality services. The speaker will be **Carl Leverenz**. Mr. Leverenz is a local attorney. He has had a general civil practice with an emphasis in real estate, real estate development and business law since 1965. He has been the Chairman of the Butte LAFCO since 1973.



**Courtesy Reminder:** The BEC has suggested that it would be courteous to let the speaker know beforehand if you will have to get up and leave during the presentation. Also conversations at your tables during the presentation should be avoided. In addition, in general, it usually works better to hold questions until the presentation is finished.

**Lunch:** The food will be plated and served as it was last month. **The cost will be \$17.**

| Lunch Menu  | Attendance Communication   |
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| Chicken Picatta w/lemon butter capers sauce, Rice pilaf with Fresh steamed mix vegetables and cheesecake for dessert. | It is important to communicate whether you will participate in the September luncheon. There was a survey but if you did not do the survey, <b>PLEASE, if you will NOT attend</b> , contact Craig Lindquist, at 898-8483 or <a href="mailto:c.lindquist@sbcglobal.net">c.lindquist@sbcglobal.net</a> <b>by Thursday, September 23.</b> |

**Big Sir Message:** Why do we have SIRS? Damian Reynolds conceived the idea of SONS IN RETIREMENT July 23, 1958. After he talked to (or convinced) a couple of his friends to join him in this venture, they decided that it was a good idea. On August 20, 1958, along with 18 others they said yes let's do it. In 1959, SIRS was incorporated and the first rules and procedures were adopted. There have been a few changes along the way, but that is the history.



Rule #101 states that if a member can't attend any regular meeting it is his responsibility to contact the attendance chairman and let him know. This helps the chef at the Elks Lodge to make sure that there is enough food for everybody at lunch.

We have a lot of activities going on with SIRS. Watch the Roosters Tail for more information or better yet come to the meetings and talk to your friends and find out what they have been up to since you saw them last. That's it. *Norm*

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

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

**Webmaster: Ron Braziel**

## 2021 Officers and Directors

|   |                                      |                                |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Big Sir: <b>Norm Stump</b>                        | Little Sir: <b>Vacant</b>            | Secretary: <b>Bob Dinger</b>   |
| Asst. Sec.: <b>Vacant</b>                         | Data Base Mgr: <b>Rocky Rockwell</b> | Treasurer: <b>Ed Matzdorff</b> |
| Asst. Treas. 1: <b>Steve Laird</b>                | Asst. Treas. 2: <b>Vacant</b>        |                                |
| Attendance Sec.: <b>Craig Lindquist (interim)</b> |                                      |                                |
| Director: <b>Ken Tietz</b>                        | Director: <b>Dave Jones</b>          | Director: <b>Jim Braziel</b>   |
| Director: <b>Don Alger</b>                        | Director: <b>Jose Lopez</b>          | Director: <b>Ken Edson</b>     |

## Health, Wisdom and Memorials

There has been an endeavor to include information about Branch 110 members who have health issues or have passed away. It is usually the case that information of this sort is not known to those who would be responsible for informing the membership at large. Therefore, **everyone's assistance is requested**. If you know of a member who has or has had health issues or has recently died, please provide the information to Don Alger. It is important to not miss acknowledging our fellow members.

**The kindness we spread always  
comes back to us.**

**Robin Thompson:** Robin Glenn Thompson, 78, passed away peacefully at his home on August 8. He was a dedicated public servant to California school districts, working as the Chief Business Officer for multiple school districts. He was an ardent outdoorsman who had a great sense of adventure. Some of his favorite outdoor activities included camping, fishing, golf, family travels, hiking, and several snow activities. Robin had been active in the SIR activities of golf, bridge, travel and fishing. Robin was also a great fan of baseball, football and poker.

**Rocco Iannone:** Rocco Louis Iannone, 90, passed away peacefully at home on August 29, 2021. Rocco was not a home body; he loved people and being out and about in the community. Rocco was a member of St. John's Catholic Church, The Italian Catholic Federation, and SIRS. Rocco had many hobbies and loved to be at the "ballpark" playing senior softball. Rocco was inducted into the senior softball Hall of Fame, an achievement he was very proud of. Mike Nicholas indicated "He was such a kind & funny man! He will be missed for his spirit & laughter."



**September 16, 1971:** The publishers of *Look* magazine, a biweekly U.S. periodical with a combination of photos and text similar to the higher-circulation *Life* magazine, announced that the October 19, 1971, issue of *Look* would be the last after a run of almost 35 years. Gardner Cowles, Chairman of the Board of Cowles Communications, said that the publication lost five million dollars in advertising revenues in 1970 and had been operating at a loss for all of 1971.

# 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.**

**Golf:** Monday, August 16: We had 29 SIRS play Table Mountain.

| Flight 1 Winners | Net Score | Flight 2 Winners | Net Score |
|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| HANDS, DARRELL   | 67        | SKELLY, BRIAN    | 70        |
| BRASWELL, CECIL  | 70        | KEYSER, DENNIS   | 71        |
| HERMAN, CRAIG    | 73        | ATKINS, NORM     | 73        |
| PEDERSON, GARY   | 74        | CAMY, DON        | 74        |
|                  |           | HARRIS, DAVE     | 74        |

Closest to the pin # 3: HERMAN, CRAIG, 8' 6"; PEDERSON, GARY 11' 8"; MCNAMARA, DENNIS 13' 2"  
Closest to the pin # 16: STORM, STEVE 1' 1"; DAVIS, SAM 11' 5"; BRASWELL, CECIL 11' 6"

**Golf:** Monday August 30: We played a **Scramble** at Bidwell.

| Flight 1 Winners | Net group Score<br>58.4 | Flight 2 Winners | Net Group Score<br>55.4 |
|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| HANDS, DARRELL   |                         | ATKIN            |                         |
| HERMAN, CRAIG    |                         | WESSELS, BOB     |                         |
| PORTERFIELD, CAP |                         | SALCIDO, MANUAL  |                         |
| SHOOK, DOUG      |                         |                  |                         |

Closest to the pin # 4: EBER, JEFF 21' 5"; SMITH, SAM 27' 2"; CABRAL, MATT 34' 0"  
Closest to the pin # 16: DAHL, JAKE 17' 2"; HANDS, DARRELL 22' 5"; BROSSOIT, PAUL 26' 0"

**Piscatology:** The smoke is hopefully clearing out. We hope to be able to visit Lake Almanor and Don Phillips's cabin for the September Fishing Trip. We may be able to salvage this summer's fishing, if the smoke and fires subside. We will let you know if we catch any.

We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month at 7:00 am at the Cozy Diner's back room. Please join us. Call Bill Colvin 521-7269 or Bob Weckerle 864-6698 for more information.

**Pinochle:** We had a good turnout for the beginning in August and if interested in joining us, please call me at 343-0832. We will be playing in September on the **5th Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**, at Butte Creek Country Club at 11:30. Please call Joe Navarro at 343-0832 with questions.

**Vino 110:** In August wine club members traveled to Oroville and the Purple Line Winery where the winemaker George presented an excellent program and offered wine samples direct from the barrel. This month, Sirs will visit Durham and the Almendra Winery and Distillery. Monkey Bites and 5 fine wines will be compared.

In October, we will **not** visit a winery but will conduct a Vino 110 wine tasting at the Annual BBQ on **October 13**. Wine club members are urged to contribute one bottle of their favorite wine to the tasting event.

**Hiking:** No hikes are planned at this time. They are waiting for the skies to clear and this darn virus to go away before they start hiking again.

**Bridge:** No activities were reported for bridge.

**History Club:** The history group enjoyed a very informative private tour of the Chico History Museum. The emphasis was be on discussions and viewing the new displays and remodel changes. September activities will involve individuals taking advantage of the Saturday history lectures at the Chico History Museum. **Ideas for October and November activities are welcome.** If you would like to get regular updates on History Club activities, please contact Don Alger.

**Travel:** There are currently some tours scheduled for 2022.

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

**Woodworking:** There has not been much activity to report for the summer.

**Annual Fall Barbeque:** New date and plans exist.

You are cordially invited to our Annual Barbecue on **Wednesday, October 13, 5 pm** at Manzanita Place. The outdoor buffet includes potato salad, cole slaw, bbq pork ribs, chicken, baked beans, dinner rolls, and ice cream cups for dessert.

You should bring your own beverages as drinks will not be provided nor offered for sale. While plates, napkins and plastic utensils will be furnished, you might want to bring a good cutting knife with a metal blade.

Fun activities include a number of wonderful prizes offered in a raffle and a wine tasting conducted by the Vino 110 Wine Club. There will be several varieties of whites and reds for you to compare.

Cost for this food and fun event is \$20 per person (payable by cash or check made out to SIR 110). You may purchase tickets at this month's SIR luncheon meeting or from Keith Johnson (864-3646).

Don't miss out. **Ticket sales end October 7th!**



**BIDWELL BRANCH 110  
ANNUAL BARBECUE**

WILL BE HELD AT THE

**MANZANITA**  
*Place*  
1705 Manzanita Ave.  
Group Picnic Area

**Wednesday, October 13th, 2021**  
**5:00 p.m. -- Social Hour**  
**6:00 p.m. -- Dinner**

**This outdoor barbecue buffet includes:**  
**Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Pork Ribs, Chicken,**  
**Baked Beans, and Dinner Rolls.**  
**Dessert: Ice Cream Cups**

**Food will be prepared by Manzanita Place.**  
**Guests are to bring their own beverages.**

**Activities Include: Raffle with nice prizes!**  
**Vino 110 Wine Tasting Event!!**

**Cost is only \$20.00 per person.**  
**Please make checks payable to SIR Branch 110**

(Poster is courtesy of Ray Rolls)

This is still technically subject to BEC approval. Questions?  
Contact Keith L Johnson (530) 864-3646, kljohnson@csuchico.edu



**There are currently 164 active members.**

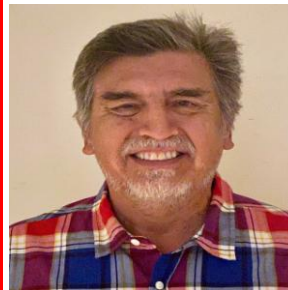
Membership brochures and applications are normally available at the membership table or you can call [Don Levensaler](mailto:Don.Levensaler@csuchico.edu) at 891-1045 to get one via the postal service.

## New August Members



Name: **Bob Evans**  
 Wife: Mary  
 Occupation: Plant  
 Manager  
 Company: Lifetouch  
 Interests: Golf

Sponsored by: Jeff Day



Name: **Ruben Martinez**  
 Wife: Grace  
 Occupation: Public Works  
 Dir.  
 Company: City of Chico  
 Interests: Cycling, Hiking,  
 Fishing, Golf, Shooting

Sponsored by: Darrell Hands



Name: **Steve Storm**  
 Wife: Marcy  
 Occupation: General  
 Contractor  
 Company: SMS Mgt. Group  
 Interests: Golf, Fishing,  
 Woodworking, Travel,  
 Cribbage

Sponsored by: Cap Porterfield

## August Guests

**Howard Hamman** guest of Vern Hartman

**Tim Casaulong** guest of Vern Hartman

## Announcements

- **Editor's Note:** The deadline for the **October** Rooster's Tale is **Thursday, October 7**. Send your information by email: [dalger@csuchico.edu](mailto:dalger@csuchico.edu) or phone at (530) 894-2452.
- **Volunteers Needed:** **Branch 110 could still use your help.**  
 Besides vacancies in the officer's positions, there are several other positions which still need to be filled. If you are interested in helping, please contact Big SIR Norm Stump. His contact information is in the 2020 Membership Roster. In the case of the Supper Club, unfortunately it was necessary to discontinue that activity since there were no volunteers to organize dinner arrangements.
- **Future Programs:** The currently scheduled program for October will be about the Chico Chamber of Commerce. The speaker will be **Katy Thoma**, the current President and CEO.  
**As always, new ideas are welcome.**
- **Fall BBQ:** After resignation of our Little Sir, Keith Johnson generously volunteered to chair the BBQ committee. The date for the Fall BBQ has been changed to **Wednesday, October 13**. Please save the date. Please see page 4 for details.
- **Christmas Party:** The date for the Christmas Party has been set for Monday, December 6. **Craig Lindquist** is the Chair of the committee. Please save the date. Ticket sales for the Christmas Dinner will begin at the October and November SIR Luncheons. Price is still \$25 each like last year. More information will follow.
- **State SIR Bulletin: ("Sir Happenings")** The latest edition is available for review at <https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>



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If you have a September Birthday, please join us at the September 27 luncheon and find out what you might win. **Perhaps a free lunch!\*\***

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| Larry  | Kreider    | Sept 2  | Bill    | Youngstrom | Sept 17 | Rich | Utter    | Sept 25 |
| Dennis | McNamara   | Sept 6  | Rubin   | Martinez   | Sept 17 | Ron  | Robinson | Sept 25 |
| Frank  | Pangburn   | Sept 7  | Marv    | Smith      | Sept 18 | Loy  | Watkins  | Sept 26 |
| Rich   | Wilbur     | Sept 8  | Richard | Chairez    | Sept 18 | Bill | Bingaman | Sept 30 |
| Eddie  | Van Houtte | Sept 14 | Ray     | Rolls      | Sept 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!**