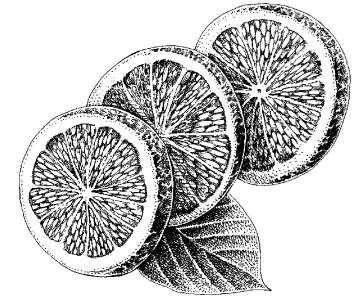




Orangevale Branch 150



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June 2006

Meetings - 3rd Wednesday of Each Month		Next Meeting - June 21, 2006	
Location	Regular Monthly Schedule	Menu:	Juicy burgers and huge franks, soft drinks, beer, wine, and side dishes galore.
Rancho Cordova Elks Lodge 11440 Elks Circle Rancho Cordova, CA 95742	Business meeting 10:30 Social time 11:00 Luncheon 12:00	Speaker:	Jim Rae
		Topic:	Bingo

Branch 150 Annual Picnic

June 21, 2006 - Folsom City Park

What Time?

- Begins at 11:00
- Lunch will be served at 12:00
- Bingo & great prizes after lunch

What's Provided?

- Juicy hamburgers
- Special Polish dogs
- Beer, wine, & soft drinks
- Picnic plasticware, paper plates, napkins, etc.

What Should I Bring?

- You wife and/or guest
- Your favorite dish to share (there are a few electrical outlets for warming trays)

Tickets?

\$10/person. Call Pat Andrews at 525-0773 or Don Severance at 961-6668 or e-mail Pat at pjandrews49@comcast.net

Big Sir says: Wow - what a great Branch 150 Annual Picnic our Social Committee Chairmen: Don Severance and Pat Andrews have in store for you. A great big "Thank You" is extended to Don & Pat along with all of their helpers. And Ken Huseman, thanks for printing up the tickets. I got the inside scoop on the food, prizes, and fun. It's certainly something that shouldn't be missed. I can't wait to sample all of the specialty dishes that the ladies (and gentlemen) bring. Last year we were rained out so we pushed back the event by one month. If you have not purchased tickets yet, please call Pat Andrews at 525-0773 or Don Severance at 961-6668. I hope to see all of you and your guests at the park.

Little Sir says: It is hard to believe that summer is here. All of the SIRS activities seem to be moving along. I am looking forward to the Annual Picnic this month. Since good weather is finally here it will be good to get out and enjoy the out-of-doors as well as the good food. I missed the last meeting because I went with my wife to Yosemite National Park. She takes her third grade class to the *Yosemite Institute* each year in May. The *Institute* is a science based outdoor education program for students and is a great adventure for children. The trip is for three days, and the activities for the students begin around 9:00 in the morning and continue until approxi-

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Spotlighted Sirs

By Bruce Kennedy



Charlie Caudle

Let's start by resolving one of my questions to Charlie. Growing up and through his college days, "Charlie" was the most common moniker. Later in his professional life, somehow "Chuck" began to be applied. Like the old story about Ray – Jay and Dinner, either is OK with Charlie/Chuck. The growing up referred to was in Modesto where he acquired a love of baseball and sports in general. And, he was not alone. Charlie and several

of his teammates from both high school and Modesto JC went to Sac State together and played varsity ball there.

After graduation Charlie was drafted into the Army in 1958 (I did not even know we had a draft then). Put into Artillery he spent some time at lovely Fort Ord, then even more training at lovely Fort Bliss, Texas and then Ft. Devon in Massachusetts for the remainder of his two year tour.

While most of his baseball friends had returned to Modesto, Charlie went back to Sac State for his (yep, another one) teaching credential after completing his military obligation. His first job was with Washington Unified School District in West Sacramento. And, he did not leave until retirement 33 years later. The first 17 years were with the sixth

grade, and the last 14 were with fourth graders. In-between were two years in what was called "Chapter 1," a California experiment that allowed splitting classes by percentile for some separate instruction while the other half had dedicated physical education. Charlie had the PE part and while it did enable him to indulge his love of sports, it was determined early that the program was not working. Some of our other teachers may remember this effort.

It was through teaching that Charlie met his wife, Nancy. In fact they were competitors for a job. Somehow the district found room for both of them, and, like Charlie, Nancy stayed too. She graciously stayed in the classroom for five more years to help support Charlie's new career as a professional-golfer-in-training.

And, looking for a venue for that golf training, he was snagged by old Sac State school buddy, Bill Ferreirae, who had just joined Branch 150 the month before. These two had maintained an ongoing friendship through their teaching careers. It may be safe to assume that Charlie was the "silent" partner in that operation.

Charlie continues his love of sports, and when not on a course, he can frequently be found following the fortunes of his favorite teams on TV. He and Nancy are also dedicated travelers as members of "Reagan's Amigos," folks who have joined Skeeter and Darlene on a number of trips. Charlie's favorite was the Rhine/Danube river boat cruise a couple of years ago. They are planning a run to Ireland this September.

Charlie's daughter remains in the Sacramento area with her husband and Charlie has two grandchildren to help keep him occupied.



Don Thielen

Don describes his life as boring. He was born at Fort Meade, but did not live there long enough to call it home. In fact, since Don's dad was career Army, he did not acquire a permanent home until moving to Sacramento where his mom was raised and until his dad retired. Along the way he saw both coasts, the center of the country, the Far East (Okinawa), and Europe (Germany). He finished high school at Christian Brother's and was looking at his own military commitment while at City College going into 1969.

He volunteered for the draft and was trained as a medic. That's a guy that still makes house (or rice paddy) calls. In those days a year tour in Vietnam was norm, but, if you extended straight through they would knock five months off your commitment. Don did that and was back home in 1970. He went back to City College and applied for the West Sacramento Fire Department.

He got the job and stayed there 28 years. While with the department Don also learned to be a tile setter and bricklayer and acquired an overview of construction. Unfortunately, that means that his wife, Deborah, now looks at him first for all of the home improvement projects she desires.

Don met Deborah while she was a dispatcher for West Sacramento Police and Fire. She is now a crime scene investigator for the police. She is originally from the northwest of Spain, Lugo. She is also active in Police and Fire Olympics and has gone back to visit Spain in that role.

But, back to work activities and Don's boring life. For many years

he held a job most of us would likely envy (or maybe drool over). Not because he got to indulge one of his favorite hobbies, photography. Not because he was paid to go to many foreign countries. No, it is because he was a photographer for the Miss Universe, Miss America and Miss Junior America pageants for crying out loud. And that's boring?

And he's staying active now. He went to Costa Rica in February, is going to Scottsdale in June for golf, the upper tip of Vancouver Island for fishing in July, and plans to spend some time at his time-share in Cabo. Pretty boring.

Since he actually retired several years ago I asked why it took so long to join SIR. Don stated he wasn't really a joiner and participant. But, he also belongs to the Elks in South Sacramento and is the handicapper for his group there. He also has that responsibility with a second group, the one that brought him here to Branch 150. Yes, you guessed it, he is a member of the Raccoons. Asked about hobbies Don thought that playing golf and drinking beer were good ones, but also decided that fishing and travel are not bad either.

The Thielen's have three children, a daughter living and working in Minnesota, and two sons who both reside here in the Sacramento area. They have one grandchild so far.

Little Sir - continued

mately 8:30 in the evening, so they are kept busy. May or June is a great time to go to Yosemite because all of the waterfalls are at maximum or near maximum volume during that time and produce some beautiful sights. This year the flow over the falls was "huge". If you have never been to Yosemite National Park, it isn't that far from Sacramento and it is a great place to see.

Confucius Say:

Man who have last laugh, not get joke.

GOLF NEWS

Call Harold Doppelmayr at 922-6134 or his assistant John Sigl at 362-2429 if you have questions or concerns. Tournament sign-ups are available at each monthly luncheon and at all tournaments.

Cordova Golf Course

Weekly Tournament Play

Every Friday except the last Friday of the month.

Sign-up when you show up

End-of-Month Scramble

Every last Friday of the month.

Prior sign-up required

Away Tournaments

June 6 th	Plumas Lake	September 6 th	Wild Wing
June 20 th	Wild Hawk	September 19 th	Green Tree
July 5 th	Dry Creek Ranch	October 4 th	Bass Lake
July 18 th	Ancil Hoffman	October 16 th	Bing Maloney **
August 2 nd	Mace Meadow	November 6 th	Alister Mackenzie **
August 22 nd	Mather *	November 21 st	Wild Hawk

* Schedule Change

** Capitol City Cards must be up-to-date

State Scramble

The State Scramble Team Championship Area 31 qualifying tournament is being played at Mather on June 12th, 2006. Each branch will form their own team. For details please see the May newsletter.

Carson City

Carson City is the 15th to the 18th of August. Prices are: single golfer - \$427; double occupancy - \$329; non golfer - \$209. Deadline for entry is July 30th **not August 15 as noted on the entry form**. If there is anyone who did not receive an entry form and is interested, please contact Harold Doppelmayr or John Sigl and they will see that you get one.

Golf Rule of the month: See Rule 18-2a and b

State SIR Golf Tournament at Solvang

September 10 -14 2006. Four Man Two Best Ball. Ladies 4 person scramble. If anyone is interested please contact Harold Doppelmayr and he will see that you get an entry form.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

For detailed information contact Jim Rae at 967-4951.

Printed rosters are available at the monthly meetings or an electronic copy can be requested from jamesrae@earthlink.net.

Changes for May

Added Members: Greg Bland

Dropped Members: Ken Pierce and Andy Schultz

We now have 108 active members and 15 inactive members for a total of 123.

Note: If you are bringing a guest to the luncheons, please let your caller, or Communications Chair, Bob Neubacher (685-7528) know for our lunch count. For membership applications, call Jim Rae

TRAVEL & EVENTS

All SIR members are welcome to go on any trip with other branches when space is available. Put a little joy in your life traveling with your old and new friends on a sirs trip. For detailed information contact John Galik at 366-0195

Travel With Other Branches

SEP 23:

Leave from SF (Celebrity Cruiseline) on 16 day trip. Stops in Cabo San Lucas, Acapulco, Huatulco, Puntarenas, Colon (Panama), & Aruba. Fly home from Fort Lauderdale. Cost is \$2225-3210. Call for information Bob Stickel -621-2131

OCT 29-NOV 3: EL CAPITAN & FLAMINGO HILTON-LAUGHLIN

2 nights at the El Capitan Resort Casino. 3 nights at the Flamingo Hilton. Leaves Carmichael Elk @ 8:00 on 10/29. Cost is \$355. Call for information John Valiska -916-631-8710

DEC 29-JAN 2

PASADENA ROSE PARADE

Includes 4 nites at Hilton Irvine Hotel, tour of Brookfield Pavilion to see the floats being built, Crystal Cathedral 'Glory of Christmas' pageant, Long Beach Aquarium, New Year's Eve party, & Tournament of Roses Parade. Cost is \$935. Call for information Bob Stickel -530-621-2131

TRAVEL WITH BRANCH 33 & DALE MARTIN

359-6121

dmartin@winfirst.com

Reno & Tahoe turnarounds lv CC Lanes @ 7:30

Local Indian Casino trips lv CC Lanes @ 9:30

JUN 14 TREASURE ISLAND

Includes a guided tour of Treasure Island & lunch at the Culinary Academy in SF

Cost is \$68

JUN 16 TRIPLE BAR DAY SILVER LEGACY -RENO

Receive \$10 cash & \$5 food

Cost is \$24

BRIDGE

For detailed information related to bridge meetings and schedules, contact Chairman John Mahony at 485-2449

If you will be playing in June, you will be surprised by the new tallies. I heard all kinds of talk about where the players were headed for the following round. With these new tallies, I hope to end the confusion.

Tom will be calling within the week before the games start. I will see you on June 12th.

The high scores at our last gathering were held by Jiggs, Cristi Overmyer, Leona White, and Jane Peterson.

FISHING NEWS

Monthly Breakfast Meetings: Jolly Hookers meet at Folsom Elks on the 2nd Friday at 8:00 AM. Wheels & Reels meet at Coco's Restaurant on the 3rd Monday at 8:00 AM. If you are a fisherman and want to enjoy like company, why not join us for breakfast.

For more information, contact Leon Vann at 359-2379

The next Jolly Hookers derby is scheduled for June 13 at New Melones Reservoir.

Fun Stuff

See if you can figure out the following Sudoku puzzle. The first person to provide the correct answer will receive a prize at the July meeting. Send your answers by e-mail to Bob Carlstroem at bob@carlstroem.com or mail to 7990 South Lake Cir., Granite Bay, CA 95746. Last month's puzzle was solved by 5 members. Once again the first solution was sent in by Skeeter Regan. The other puzzle masters were: Pat Andrews, Leon Vann, John Sigl, and Jim Rae. This one is of medium difficulty. Good Luck!

Sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

4	9			8	6			
						1		
5		6			3	2		
6	4			9			3	7
				6				
7	2			4			6	1
		9	8			4		2
		8						
			9	3			5	8

The Morrison & Cheyne Hill

Roy and Bill, both not having very much to do, went up a hill at the rate of one and a half miles per hour and came down at the rate of four and a half miles per hour, so that it took them just six hours to make the round trip. How far was it to the top of the hill?

April Solution

6	9	1	7	2	8	3	4	5
4	2	5	3	6	1	7	9	8
7	3	8	4	9	5	1	6	2
1	8	2	6	3	9	4	5	7
9	7	4	8	5	2	6	3	1
3	5	6	1	7	4	8	2	9
8	4	9	5	1	6	2	7	3
2	1	3	9	4	7	5	8	6
5	6	7	2	8	3	9	1	4

Bob Carlstroem, Editor
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Honored Members

Past Big Sirs

1989 George Erkson *
1990 Jim Eastlund
1991 John Mahony
1992 Lou Parton *
1993 Ken Allard
1994 Ruel Smith
1995 Bill McCarthy *
1996 Tom Wirth
1997 John Means
1998 Jim Delk
1999 Bob Smith
2000 Bob O'Neal
2001 Lou Joaquin *
2001 Joe Ramay
2002 Bob Trathen
2003 Jim Rae
2004 Len Bloom
2005 Don Severance

* Deceased

Birthdays

Bloom	Leonard	6-Jun
Peterson	Les	18-Jun
Ramay	Joseph S	19-Jun
Laughlin	Thomas W	21-Jun
Thielen	Don T	22-Jun
Holton II	Harrison	25-Jun
Benz	Norbert L	26-Jun
Carson	John P	28-Jun
Dysart	Franklin H.	28-Jun
Fries	Larry L.	30-Jun
Hill	Michael D.	30-Jun

Other Birthdays

Sandra Bernhard	06-Jun-1955
Paul McCartney	18-Jun-1942
Kathleen Turner	19-Jun-1954
Meredith Baxter	21-Jun-1947
Kris Kristofferson	22-Jun-1936
Carly Simon	25-Jun-1945
Peter Lorre	26-Jun-1904
Gilda Radner	28-Jun-1946
Mike Tyson	30-Jun-1966

Honorary Lifetime Member

John Mahony	2001
Jim Eastlund	2002

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PAYMENT FOR TRIPS AND TOURS: Checks, money orders or credit cards for Travel for one day or less (no overnight), where a bus/busses is/are used as the primary means of transportation, may be made payable to the Branch sponsoring the event. All other checks, money orders or credit cards for travel must be made payable to the travel agency. (Rule 420 & 421).

ATTENDANCE: Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale. (Rule 60). **REQUIRED ATTENDANCE** - A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings or who attends less than six (6) regular meetings of the last twelve (12) luncheon meetings may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SIR. (Rule 100 & 107).

