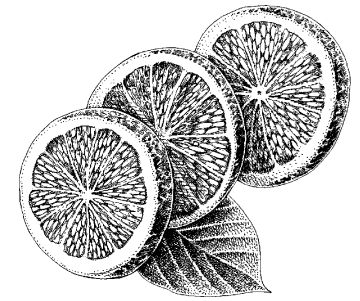




# Orangevale Branch 150



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## August 2008

Meetings - 3rd Wednesday of Each Month		Next Meeting - August 20, 2008	
<b>Location</b>	<b>Regular Monthly Schedule</b>	<b>Menu:</b>	Lasagna, a medley of zucchini, crooked neck yellow squash and onions, salad, garlic bread and dessert.
Rancho Cordova Elks Lodge	Business meeting 10:30	<b>Speaker:</b>	Leonard Padilla
11440 Elks Circle	Social time/registration 11:00	<b>Topic:</b>	Life of a Bounty Hunter and More
Rancho Cordova, CA 95742	Meeting/luncheon 11:30		

### August Speaker: Leonard Padilla



United States Air Force: 1957 - 1963  
 Law Degree, Lincoln Law School: 1980  
 President and Chairman of the Board of the Lorenzo Patino School of Law: 1982 - present  
 Bounty Hunter: 1975 - present

### Big and Little Sir Tidbits



Big Sir Stan Wirth

Summer is half over already!! It is hard to believe that the Christmas luncheon is only a little over 4 months away. Jerry and Don have been working hard getting everything together. We hope to give you some more information at the August meeting.

When we met with the Elks to discuss our Christmas luncheon possibilities, they advised us that our monthly luncheon cost was increasing to \$15 in September. This would be guaranteed, by contract, until spring of next year. At that time our agreement would be renewed for the following year. We are taking a look at the cost of other facilities (reviewing the information obtained by our committee in March). However, at the time, several of the other facilities we looked at were charging about the same as Cordova Elks and others had a more complex cost arrangement. Related to this, when I attend the Big Sir's meeting on August 4<sup>th</sup>, I will check on what the rest of the SIR branches are encountering.

Last thing; don't forget to bring books to the book exchange. It is a great way to get some new reading material!



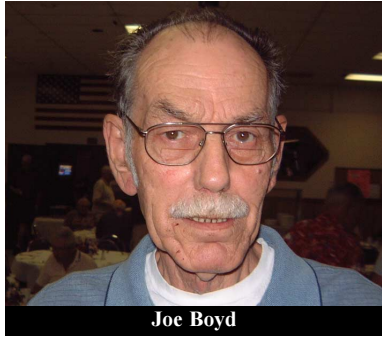
Little Sir Chuck Reed

I am told that this man will be the most entertaining speaker of the year. He is Leonard Padilla, "BOUNTY HUNTER", bail bondsman, politician, family man, and just full of life. He will relate to us his day to day experiences involving bounty hunting; humorous stories and anecdotes. He has been recently featured in a series on TV National Geographic channel. He reminds me of an old TV character named PALADIN whose motto was "have gun, will travel." Be sure to be there.

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# Spotlighted Sirs

By Bruce Kennedy



Joe Boyd

Joe was born in 1939 about 14 miles east of Pittsburgh in a village named Braddock Hills. It was small enough that it only had a grammar school and Joe's eighth grade class was about 22. Nowadays, you don't have to go 14 miles, Pittsburgh has grown out to Braddock Hills Township, even though the population there is not yet 2,000. His dad worked in a glassworks in Swisssvale, about a mile to the west.

Most of the products made went into the aircraft industry.

Joe got in with a bit of a rough crowd in his teens and figured that was not going to end well, so he joined the Navy in 1956. A week after he reported for duty, a few of his old group robbed a service station. Good timing. He joined the Navy in part because older brother Earl had joined the Air Force. He retired as a senior chief petty officer -gunner's mate, after 22 years. Don't let any officer tell you differently, these are the folks that run the Navy. Twenty of his years were in sea duty, a very high percentage. Because of their demanding nature some assignments are called "sea duty," even when you are not on a vessel. You are on land, but still gone from home for extended, or frequent, periods and work long hours. For example, Joe spent four years as a Survival School instructor at what was lovingly called "Dismal Swamp." The last two of this assignment required him to serve as the Compound Sergeant Major for the prisoner-of-war phase. For those who have been through the course, that individual is one of the scariest dudes you are going to encounter in your career. To reach that level, Joe had to attend survival schools from Brunswick, Maine to Panama. He also used that training in Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE) working with South Vietnamese soldiers along the infamous Highway 4 during the Vietnam War at a place they called Mortar City due to nightly shelling.

His first "home port" was Newport, Rhode Island. His career, minus Vietnam, was almost totally with the Sixth Fleet and that usually means moving to Norfolk, Virginia. He met his wife Joan while visiting a cousin in Pennsylvania and they were married in 1962. They have four children - three boys and a girl. Three of them are in the area and one is in Marin. They now have six grandchildren.

His first ship was a destroyer. He also served on destroyer escorts (not my choice on a stormy North Atlantic night), cruisers, and amphibious craft. His work took him to 39 countries on five continents and to places such as spotless Stockholm, beautiful Nice, and the squalor of Freetown, Sierra Leone where children would compete with the gulls in the oily water for food that fell off of the ship. He crossed the Equator four times and the Arctic Circle once. He retired June 6, 1977- easy to remember since it was D-Day and his wife's birthday. Three of his four children served in the armed forces, the fourth became a deputy sheriff.

He came out to Sacramento in 1974 to visit his brother Earl, and his mom, who had also moved out here after his father's death. He liked the place, so he moved here after retiring. He started looking for jobs and interviewed to be an eligibility worker for the county. The interview did not go well when the lady conducting it asked what Joe had done. His answer was he killed people. She yelped and called for the supervisor. Joe then explained more carefully that was what Gunner's Mates did. He did get the job and worked another 22 years. He figured he had interviewed over 16,000 general assistance applicants before he stopped counting. He moved up to supervisor and worked in several other programs before retiring (again) in 2000. His main hobby now is genealogy and he's worked back to over 800 ancestors in his family.

Brother Earl convinced him to join SIR and they came in together in September 2002.

# Growing Things

*This is a new column that hopefully will share expertise in horticulture. In looking over our database indicating hobbies and interest, it is quite apparent that gardening strikes the fancy of many of our members. Hence, I hope "Growing Things" will be well received by the membership. I also hope many will contribute their positive and negative experiences of growing things.*  
Bob Carlstroem, Editor

## Tomatoes

Tomato plants do not like to dry out. Deep regular watering will prevent stress on both the plants and their fruit. You can lose one whole fruit set by letting the plants go dry just once. Inconsistent watering will also cause fruit cracking or dropping. A regular watering pattern is very important to tomatoes. When watering your tomatoes, be sure to water from the base - avoid overhead watering - it's a sure way to spread the disease.

Many of us have favorite fertilizer brands we like to use in our gardens and while tomatoes appreciate this they also like a bit of variety. Use your regular brand but supplement it with fish or seaweed fertilizer or some blood or bone meal or your own compost tea. You can fertilize your tomato plants weekly with your usual food, and then the following week with a supplement. This will give your plants all the fertilizer, trace elements and minerals they need to produce great crops while providing your tomatoes with some immunity to all those pesky diseases. It takes a lot of energy to produce all those good tomatoes!

How about freezing tomatoes for future use? Just plop them in the freezer. When you want to use them for spaghetti sauce or stews, just run them under warm water and the skin will fall off. After that, let them sit awhile and they will be ready to core and cut up a bit. For spaghetti sauce, after further defrosting takes place, remove some of the liquid so you don't have to cook all the vitamins out trying to thicken the sauce. Adding a little tomato paste will also thicken the sauce. Frozen tomatoes are also great to use in your stews and soups.

### SIR Branch 150

#### Nominating Committee Recommendations for 2009 Branch Executive Committee Officers

<b>Big Sir</b>	<b>Chuck Reed</b>
<b>Little Sir</b>	<b>Jim Dodge</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Doug Hilton</b>
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<b>Director</b>	<b>Jim Rae</b>

RULE 134. Election of the officers shall be held at the August luncheon meeting. Additional nominating may be made from the floor. A nominee from the floor must signify his agreement to accept the office if elected.

RULE 135. Voting for Branch Officers shall be by secret ballot. However, for any office for which there is but one nominee, voting may be by voice or by a show of hands.

## Book Exchange

A reminder to bring one or more paperback books to exchange with other members at our next meeting.

## GOLF NEWS

Call **Harold Doppelmayr** at 922-6134 or his assistant **Brent Soulis** at 726-6326 if you have questions or concerns. Tournament sign-ups are available at [www.sir150.com](http://www.sir150.com) or 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

### **2008 Away Tournaments**

August 6 (Wed) **Diamond Oaks - 9:00\*\***

(Note: above requires 10 day prepayment)

August 19 (Tue) **Mather - 8:00**

September 2 (Tue) **Wild Wings - 9:15**

September 16 (Tue) **Green Tree - 9:04**

October 7 (Tue) **Bartley Cavanaugh - 8:30**

October 22 (Wed) **Bing Maloney - 8:30**

November 3 (Mon) **Alister Mackenzie - 9:00**

November 18 (Tue) **Wildhawk - 9:00**

\*\* Note: this is a date change

### **Branch 150 & 49 Competition**

The competition between Branch 49 and Branch 150 on Thursday August 14 will be match play. It will be held at Arcade Creek on the Red and Blue nines at Haggin Oaks.

Pay your own green and cart fees. A \$5 entry fee will be collected before the tee off. The first group will go off the Blue nine at 7:00.

#### **Diamond Oaks**

Just a reminder that Diamond Oaks is on the 6th of August and not the 5th as the original schedule indicates.

#### **Poppy Hills**

Congratulations Jim Dodge and Pete Eres for advancing to the next level for the Poppy Hills tournament. Although Pete will not be going as he has a job and is in training.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

For detailed information contact **Ralph Tomson** at 354-2236 or [rotomsonre@yahoo.com](mailto:rotomsonre@yahoo.com)

July 2008 - Year to Date

Beginning cash balance:	\$1991.68
Contributions:	1016.00
Operating expenses:	979.78
Net gain:	36.22
Custodial receipts:	5791.00
Custodial disbursements:	5853.19
Net Gain:	-62.67
Ending cash balance:	1965.23

July attendance: members-62, guest-1, Total-63

## 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 **Bob Bonner** at 961-5403

Eighteen Jolly Hookers are headed for Rock Fish on August sixth. Nice catamaran. Good captain and deck hand. Fish stories in the making. August twelfth we fish Union Valley Reservoir. I hear the fishing is getting better. Results at the next SIRS 150 meeting. Come join the Hookers. I will not tell your wife if you want to keep it a secret. Remember; a day fishing adds a extra day to your life.

## BOWLING NEWS

The SIR bowling will begin on September 3rd at FIRESIDE LANES in Citrus Heights.

There will be a preseason meeting at noon on Wednesday August 20th at FIRESIDE LANES. Anyone interested can attend or you can get information by calling the league secretary **DICK MARTEGANI** at 772-8726.

## 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 [james.rae@att.net](mailto:james.rae@att.net).

The following membership changes were made at our July meeting: Three applications for transfer from Branch 49 were approved. They are Bill Alsop, John DeVillier, and Al Smith. Two new applicants; Joe Sweeney and Dick Wheeler (picture not available) were also approved. Branch #150 welcomes these new members. The sponsors: Bob Bonner, Mike McGill, and Jim Rae will receive a free lunch. You too will get one if you bring in a new member.

Parke Blanton, an inactive member has resigned.

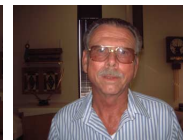
We now have 104 active members and 17 inactive members for a total of 121.



Bill Alsop



John DeVillier



Al Smith



Joe Sweeney

### **In Memoriam**

Allan McGill, a member of Branch 150 from 1991 to 2002, passed away on July 17, 2008, at the age of 91, in Maryland where he and his wife, Jennie, had moved to be closer to their sons. Allan is remembered as a avid golfer who insisted on following the Rules of Golf, and was not reluctant to speak out when others were breaking them. Allan was very competitive because he and Jim Rae would wager a Penny on each drive and putt so as much as 36 cents was at stake.

### **TRAVEL TIPS**

The following destinations have been submitted by some of our members. If you would like to learn a bit more about these potential travel locations, these members are willing to share their experiences and provide you some tips such as touring company, costs, places to stay, things you must see, what to expect, and much more. Behind each members name you will find contact information. This is the preferred method. In other words, some might prefer to respond by the convenience of e-mail.

Where	When	Key	Where	When	Key
Africa, East		7	Ireland	2002	13
Alaska		7	Ireland (Treasure of Ireland)	Fall 06	6
Alaska	Aug 07	8	Israel	2000	13
Alaskan Cruise	Fall 01	6	Italy	Jun 06	10
Amazon River	Jan 08	15	Montana		7
American Heritage Tour	Jun 01	6	Nevada, Mesquite	Apr 07	2
Australia/New Zealand		7	North Carolina (Elderhostel)	Mar 05	5
China - Beijing, Shanghai, etc.	Mar 08	15	Norway (Grand Circle)	Aug 07	5
China Land/Yangtze River Tour (China Spree)	May 07	9	Nova Scotia (Elderhostel/Independent)	Sep 06	5
Costa Rica	Jan 02	4	Philippines	2007	13
Costa Rica	Jan 04	5	Rhine/Danube River Cruise	Spr 04	6
Cruising, General	Apr 07	1	Russia, St. Petersburg (Grand Circle)	Aug 07	5
Durango CO, Silverton Railroad Trip	Aug 07	11	San Jaun Islands	2007	16
East Europe	2005	13	South America	05	12
Greece	Apr 07	4	South Dakota, Black Hills, Mt. Rush.	May 08	5
Greece	07	12	Texas, South Padre Island		14
Hawaii		7	Wyoming, Cody	Aug 07	2
Hawaii, Big Island	Oct 07	13	Yellowstone National Park	Jun 07	3
Hawaii, Maui	Jul 07	2	Yosemite National Park	Spr 07	3
Ireland	Apr 07	1			

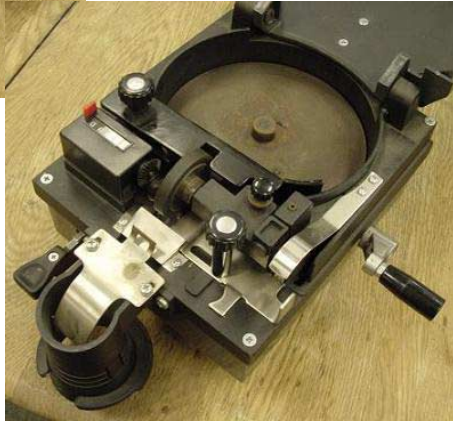
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# Fun Stuff

The first person to provide correct solution will receive a prize at the next regular meeting. Send your answers by e-mail to Bob Carlstroem at carlstroem@sir150.com or mail to 7990 South Lake Cir., Granite Bay, CA 95746. There were no correct solutions to last month's puzzle.



**What the heck**



**is this?**

## July solution:

### Costa Rican Coffee Maker

Place cup under cloth filter. Add coffee and hot water to filter and let sit a minute. Works great!



Bob Carlstroem, Editor  
7990 South Lake Circle  
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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
- 2006 Bob Carlstroem
- 2007 Jerry Courter

\* Deceased

## Honorary Lifetime Member

- John Mahony 2001
- Jim Rae 2007

## Birthday Boys

Mahony	John L	7-Aug
Jorgensen	James	10-Aug
Duval	Larry	13-Aug
Teron	Fred A	15-Aug
Hunt	Lee F	17-Aug
Wirth	Stan T.	20-Aug
Delk	James D	23-Aug
Farruggia	Joesph A	24-Aug
Green	Norman	30-Aug
Severance	Roland	31-Aug

## July humor

A lawyer defending a man accused of burglary tried this creative defense:

"My client merely inserted his arm into the window and removed a few trifling articles. His arm is not himself, and I fail to see how you can punish the whole individual for an offense committed by his limb."

"Well put," the judge replied. "Using your logic, I sentence the defendant's arm to one year's imprisonment. He can accompany it or not, as he chooses."

The defendant smiled. With his lawyer's assistance he detached his artificial limb, laid it on the bench, and walked out.

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