

# SOMETHING TO GROW ABOUT

## FRUITRIDGE BRANCH - 93

PROMOTING THE  
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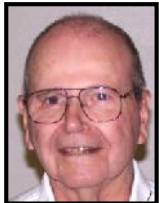
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BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 10:45 AM	WE MEET THE THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH	REGULAR MEETINGS HELD AT:
SOCIAL HOUR - 11:00 AM	State website - <a href="http://www.sirinc.org">www.sirinc.org</a>	Riverside Elks Lodge #6
GENERAL LUNCHEON MEETING - 12:00 NOON	Branch #93 website - <a href="http://www.sir93.org">www.sir93.org</a>	6446 Riverside Blvd.
LUNCHEON COST - \$17.00	December 2011 - Vol 33 / No 12	Sacramento

### NEXT MEETING - December 19, 2011 CHRISTMAS PARTY / LADIES DAY

#### BIG SIR SAYS

Dick West - 393-7003



Jim Harbaugh asks his 49ers, "Who's got it better than us?" And answers his own question, "Nobody!" Just comparing the team's record this year (9 and 2 when I write this) to last season's 6 and 10 gives us a lift. And I'm not the only member of Branch 93 who sat year after year on the splintery bleachers at Kezar Stadium hoping for a miracle. Nobody has it better than us.

What else? We have the best SIR golf club, best chef, best membership, bowling, travel, and every other committee in the area. Who's got it better? Nobody.

Still, there is more, way more, to wish for, to hope for. We don't have to look far to see homeless folks huddled in doorways or lined up at food banks, or little children without warm clothes. I am so happy the Niners are going to be in the playoffs, but at the same time wondering why, as a kid that grew up in the great depression years, everyone can't be so fortunate. Happy Holidays.

Dick West

#### LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

Don Falkenhagen - 961-4642



A row of bottles on my shelf  
 Caused me to analyze myself.  
 One yellow pill I have to pop  
 Goes to my heart so it won't stop.  
 A little white one that I take  
 Goes to my hands so they won't shake.  
 The blue ones that I use a lot

Tell me I'm happy when I'm not.  
 The purple pill goes to my brain  
 And tells me that I have no pain.  
 The capsules tell me not to wheeze  
 Or cough or choke or even sneeze.  
 The red ones, smallest of them all  
 Go to my blood so I won't fall.  
 The orange ones, very big and bright  
 Prevent my leg cramps in the night.  
 Such an array of brilliant pills  
 Helping to cure all kinds of ills.  
 But what I'd really like to know.....  
 Is what tells each one where to go!

Don Falkenhagen



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

## HAPPY NEW YEAR



### SIR HAPPENINGS

The latest edition of 'SIR HAPPENINGS' is now available on the SIR website.

Check out what is going on in the rest of the SIR world. Find out about other travel being offered by other branches. You are always welcome to participate.

<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

PBS Len Hom 599-5944

[sir93membership@gmail.com](mailto:sir93membership@gmail.com)

Please meet and greet our new members. Let's make them feel welcome to be with us. The membership total stands at 155 active members, 5 inactive members, and 4 applications on file

## RHOSTUR KEREKSHUNS

**DROP** Jim Childers, Bill Holland  
**Change**

Bill Bernhard	<a href="mailto:bill@motteri.com">bill@motteri.com</a>
Windy Curtis	<a href="mailto:ewindy@gmail.com">ewindy@gmail.com</a>
Joe Johnson	916-392-4676
Cliff Lucas	975 Park Ranch Way Sac 95831-3030
Bob Luttrell	1209 54th St.
Wilbur Van Cleave	916-428-8922

## New Members:

**Halm,** 224  
**AI** (5-29-42)  
 317 Perth Ct. 916-774-9789  
 Roseville 95747-6486  
[alhalm@surewest.net](mailto:alhalm@surewest.net)  
*retired: Caltrans*  
*hobbies: golf*  
*sponsor: rejoining*



**Johnson,** (10-10-59) 186  
 James R. 'Jim' (5-4-36) & Pauline  
 4816 Jackson St. 916-489-2660  
 North Highlands 95660-5604  
[jrjpmj@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jrjpmj@sbcglobal.net)  
*retired: CA Dept. of Water Resources / mech. eng. tech III*  
*hobbies: golf, art*  
*sponsor: rejoining*



**Powell,** (9-10-65) 110  
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 1147 Fay Cir. 916-421-2115  
 Sacramento 95831-2254  
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*retired: Tahoe Copy Service / owner*  
*hobbies: golf, travel*  
*sponsor: Rick Rodda*



CONGRATULATIONS and thanks to the following sponsors for bringing in a total of 19 new members to SIR Branch 93 in 2011:

**Buz Honsa, Dick Anderson, Don Slivka, Harold Dye, Jack Dye, Jack Jesson, Jim Donovan, Len Hom, Mike Hargan, Nick Soberanis, Ray Rudkin, Rick Rodda, Walter Van Cleave**

Help keep your Branch healthy and strong by bringing a guest to a meeting and have him sign up as an active member. Membership application forms are always available at our monthly meetings and at our Website: [www.sir93.org](http://www.sir93.org).

**While creating wives, God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the world. And then He made the earth round**

## LAUGH A LITTLE EVERY DAY....

**There's always a lot to be thankful for if you take time to look for it. For example, I am sitting here right now thinking how nice it is that wrinkles & fat don't hurt.**

## BOWLING REPORT

Reporter

Mike Combs - 362-4598

Hansel Johnson - 391-8618

WE BOWL AT:

**COUNTRY CLUB LANES**  
**12:30 p.m. - TUESDAYS**



### High Rollers

Vince Damyanovich	207+55,498+42,507+48
Mo Morales	463+43
Jack Dye	482+95,170+41
Jim Delaney	196+42
Dave Honsa	183+46
Mike Holmgren	521+41
Ed Donobedian	415+46
Luis Gomez	508+64
Mike Combs	529+73,198+46
Hansel Johnson	550+52

### Split Conversions

Rod Rodriques 2/7	Don Wilson 3/10 & 2/10
George Hodsdon 5/8/10	Mike Holmgren 5/6, 5/8/10
Jim Delaney 3/10	Ray Rudkin 3/10
Hansel Johnson 5/7 & 4/5	

### Mike's Raiders are in 1st place Division 2

Vince Damyanovich, Bob Abalos, Mike Combs & Hansel Johnson

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

85	1926	Ken Rose / 11, George LaRoche / 25, Ed Mazza / 25
84	1927	Jerry Meyers / 06
83	1928	Bob Bone / 02
80	1931	Jerry Jones / 08
76	1935	Bill Wilkinson / 14
71	1940	Manny Mateo / 21
70	1941	John Francisco / 12
69	1942	Dave Netherton / 11, Michael Shubin / 19
67	1944	Randy Trujillo / 05

(black) 90+ (red) 80+ (blue) 70+ (red) 60+

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### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

69	Bob & Theresa Just	12-06-1942
58	Jim & JoAnn Delaney	12-12-1953
53	Flash & Cici Carlson	12-28-1958
52	Ben & Marilyn Kinikin	12-19-1959
47	Jimmie & Betty Lee	12-31-1964
39	Glenn & Carole Forest	12-02-1972
36	Vince & Maria Damyanovich	12-27-1975
28	Ken & Pat Orvick	12-28-1983

(red) 60+ yrs (blue) 50+ yrs (red) 40+ yrs (black) less than 40 yrs

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## SUNSHINE

We have nothing new to report.

Bob Perez 446-2095

*Bob Perez*



## SIR 93 GOLF - 2011

### \*\*RESULTS, ROUND COUNT, AND PARTICIPATION

**Number of Members: 133** (128 Active - 5 Inactive)

**Number of Events: 35** (Ladies' Day, Land Park 9 Holers, and two Carson City events are not included)

**Number of Paid Sign-ups: 2319** (Inc. rainouts)

Sign-ups per event: 46 (The Ridge) - 83 (Wildhawk)

Pairing sheets prepared: 35 (12-21 groups per sheet)

Total pairing sheet groups: 609

**Number of Starting Times Assigned: 2319**

Call-ins and changes at courses not included

**Number of Event Cards Prepared: 648**

Number of score cards: 580 (Special Instructions - 6 events)

Number of C-T-T-H cards: 68

Average cards per event: 18+

Number of course handicaps obtained for cards: 2319

**Number of Rounds Played: 1903** (Inc. 30 combined)

**A:** 417 **B:** 382 **C:** 372 **D:** 354 **E:** 348 **Nine hole combined:** 30

Number of rounds per event: 46 (The Ridge) - 77 (Turkey Creek)

**Number of Signed-up Players \*Not Playing: 157 (7%)**

\*Includes "Call-ins" and "No Shows"

\*Does not include 289 player rain-outs

Average Not Playing per event: 4 ( Rain-outs not included)

**Number of 18 Hole Scores Posted/Recorded**

**SIR 93 Results: 3599** (1873 net plus 1726 adjusted scores)

- Regular: 1112
- Special: 255 (Inc. 147 non posted scramble scores)
- Combined: 30
- Club Championships: 399
- Awards Tournament: 77

**Number of Players receiving Prize Points: 93**

Highest point count: 44 (\$176)

Total points distributed: 1433 (\$5732)

Awards Tournament Prizes: 21 groups @ \$60/per group (\$1260)

**Number of (1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>) C-T-T-H awards: 182**

#### Club Champions

A Flight:	Richard Boesch
B Flight:	Sergay Ivazian
C Flight:	Jack Jessen
D Flight:	Len Hom
E Flight:	Ken Orvick

Most Improved: Richard Boesch

Prepared and Submitted by: Bob Bone, Club Handicap Chairman Assisted by: Nick Soberanis, Treasurer, and Bob Clark, Statistics Chairman

#### SIR Branch 93 NCGA Golf Membership Dues

Branch 93's Golf Club's enrollment period for paying your 2012 NCGA Dues will continue through December 21, 2011. The dues during the open period will remain at \$36. Al Castronovo will collect payments. Here are the Do's:

1. Make your check payable to **SIR Branch 93-Golf**. Do **not** make your check payable to NCGA. Note on your check **NCGA 2012 Dues**
2. Either give your check to Al or mail it to him at; **3009 Granite Park Lane Elk Grove CA 95758**

**If you miss the December cutoff**, you will be placed inactive and it will cost you more to be reinstated.

If you have any questions email Al at [ajcee22@frontiernet.net](mailto:ajcee22@frontiernet.net) or call him at 916-684-4266.

**FEB 2012****YELLOWSTONE IN WINTER**

There's more to winter in Yellowstone than geysers. There are over 3,400 square miles of park land providing panoramas of indescribable beauty. You will be aboard heated snow coaches, past frozen lakes, icy waterfalls, abundant wildlife, Old Faithful, and thousands of other unusual thermal features in Yellowstone's steaming snowscape.

Cost is \$1,699.00 PPDO

Call Sir Travel Chairman Paul Peters at 510-724-8345 for travel information

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**SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT**  
**DELIVERY OPTION**

**Did you get both an email copy and a hard copy (snail mail)?**

It is now possible to receive the monthly bulletin by email only, eliminating the need to send printed copies to everyone. The savings to Branch 93 should be at least 50% of what we have been paying. To 'opt out' of receiving a hard copy simply **reply from the emailed edition**, putting OPT OUT in the subject line. Be sure to print your name in the body of the letter.

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**CHRISTMAS PARTY/LADIES DAY**  
**DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**COME JOIN THE FUN**  
**GOOD FOOD & GOOD FRIENDS**

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Voluntary contributions are now coming in for 2012. We wish to express our thanks to all the members for helping to make this a great year. Have a Merry Christmas & a Great New Year.

Balance	11-1-2011			<b>3179.18</b>
	12-1-2011	Checking	1681.35	
		Savings	26.13	
		Petty cash	250.00	
		CD	2003.43	<b>3690.91</b>

**I was working out in the gym when I spotted a sweet young thing...  
I asked the trainer that was nearby, "What machine should I use to impress that sweet thing over there?"**

**The trainer looked me up and down and said "try the ATM in the lobby."**

**During my physical yesterday, my doctor asked me about my daily activity level, and so I described a typical day this way:**

**"Well, yesterday morning, I waded along the edge of a lake, escaped from wild dogs in the heavy brush, marched up and down several rocky hills, stood in a patch of poison ivy, crawled out of quicksand, and jumped away from an aggressive rattlesnake."**

**Inspired by my story, the doctor said, "You must be some outdoors man!"**

**"No," I replied, "I'm just a crappy golfer."**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**  
**JANUARY EDITION - JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>**

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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 without notifying the Branch Attendance Committee giving a valid reason, or who attends less than half of the regular meetings within the last twelve consecutive month period, may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SIR. Certification of member attendance at another Branch meeting will be considered as credit to the member's attendance record. (Rule 100 & 107).

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**MEETING DATES / 2011**

JAN 17 - FEB 21 - MAR 21 - APR 18 - MAY 16 - JUN 20 - JUL 18- AUG 15 - SEP 19 - OCT 17- NOV 21 - **DEC 19**

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**November 2011**