



CAPITAL CITY BRANCH No. 9



SIRcular

March 2008

Monthly Newsletter of Branch # 9, Sons in Retirement, Inc.

Monthly luncheon meetings are held at the Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd., Sacramento, California on the **3rd Tuesday** of the month. Lunch and meeting start at 12 Noon, preceded by a no-host "Happy Hour". An open Executive Committee meeting starts at 10:45 A. M. on day of the meeting.

Members unable to attend regular meetings, call 489-4638 (hughkaygriffin@earthlink.net) or 456-4904 (rbmillin@comcast.net) to avoid an unexcused absence.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 18th

BIG SIR Al Lewis says:



I feel real good about being able to start my March SIRcular message on a much more positive note than last month. No problem with "Blue-haired Bloody Marys", the flag was at the ready and birthday goodies were on hand. (I acutally purchased some stand-by munchies just in case). Fred Hoyt did his usual good job as both a song leader and Bob Hope stand in. I was really pleased to be able to welcome new Branch 9 member Andrew Gaston with a rousing Cock-A- Doodle- Do which was repeated by the whole gang.



Our Area Governor, Richard Joyce, was to have been present but didn't make it.

At the pre-lunch BEC meeting we finally resolved a long standing issue relative to inactive memberships. Several years ago, Branch 9 had adopted Inactive Membership Rules that did not follow State Rules. We are now in compliance with State Rules.

The BEC set the cost of our May Ladies Day meeting at \$20.00 a person with no GOLD PANS. I urge you guys with no lady to bring to attend stag. The cost is about the same as the usual lunch and GOLD PAN contribution would be. We have some fine entertainment lined up that I am sure you will enjoy. Chuck Paulson, who is in charge of ticket sales, will have tickets available at our March 18th meeting.

I should have mentioned this earlier in my ramblings, but want to congratulate Little SIR E.J. Raimondi for getting Mr. Fred Robinson as our guest speaker. Mr. Robinson is a student of the Civil War and he made a great presentation about all of the generals on both sides who conducted the battles of the war and what they did after the war.

Albert E. Lewis, Jr.

Little SIR E.J. Raimondi Opines: Our speaker at the January meeting was Mr. Fred Robinson. He is an active member of the Elk Grove Civil War Round Table. Fred spoke of many of the Civil War Generals and what they did after the war. He covered the famous names of Lee, Grant and Custer as well as a number of other lesser-known Generals. I believe he covered at least 20 of them. It seemed as



though it was almost a prerequisite to have been in the War if you were seeking public office, which almost all of those covered did. The one big exception was Grover Cleveland. He was not in the war as he paid someone to take his place.

Our speaker in March will be Ted Robinson (no relation to Fred Robinson). Ted was in WW II and served in the Pacific with John Kennedy. He knew him personally and I'm sure he will have some interesting insights and stories to tell of that time and his relationship with the future President.

SECRETARY Ken Wigglesworth's Corner:

“As for the Newsletter, I don't have anything for the March Edition (everything should be covered in other Chair reports).

TREASURER Bob Giess Sez:

Treasurer's Report 2-28-08

January 23, 2008 Balance:	\$1837.89
Receipts:	\$134.33
Disbursements:	\$18.00
February 28, 2008 Balance:	\$1954.22

Bob Giess

MEMBERSHIP and ATTENDANCE by Dick Millin - Hugh Griffin:

There were 58 members at the luncheon on February 19, 2008.

The Branch status and participation (as of the end of the meeting) is:

- 58 members attended (72% of active members)
- 15 requested to be excused
- 8 were unexcused (10%)
- 93 unassigned badge numbers
- 2 inactive members
- 81 active members

Andrew Gaston was approved for membership. Phil Campbell and Ron Smith resigned. Mel DeZeeuw, Paul Stretars, and John Darling were removed from the list of inactive members.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOYS - February

For March: Joe Dobrowolski, Cliff Horrell, Jack Kassel, Bob Nelson, Ej Raimondi, Bob Ramsey



February Birthday Boys

L to R: Dave Crane, John VanBerkel, *Impostor Wigglesworth* , Pete Peterson,

GOLF CORNER by Al Lewis:

The weather has made it difficult in keeping our "Golf Guys" on schedule so far this year. However, we did get both scheduled February dates in starting on February 4, 2008 when 13 hardy souls played the Arcade Creek G.C. at Haggin Oaks. Low Gross went to Keith Barret's 85 and Bob Ramsey provided a Low Net 70. So what else is new.

Flight winners were....

1st Flight : Vaughn

2d Flight : Schmidt and Ned

On a very wet February 20, 2008 day, six players slogged around the William Land Park track. You guessed it, Keith Barrett had a low Gross 36 while Bill Oliver and Roy Vaughn scraped enough mud off the ball to post Low Net 35's. Thanks for toughing it our fellas.

We have dates at the Davis Golf Course on March 10, 2008 and William Land G.C. on March 19, 2008 with tee times of 8:28A and 8:30A respectively. Hang in there guys, better days are coming.

BRANCH #9 OFFICERS FOR 2008

Big SIR Al Lewis – 456-8508; Little SIR E.J. Raimondi – 684-2994; Secretary Ken Wigglesworth – 366-1842; Asst. Secretary, Bob Nelson - 486-1295; Treasurer Bob Giess – 925-8261; Asst. Treasurer Joe Dobrowolski – 961-6561; Director Fred Hoyt - 447-9528; Director George Katibah - 488-2225; Director PBS Bob Hansen – 487-2305; Director Lloyd D. Durfee - 442-2816

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Attendance - Hugh Griffin (489-4638); Audit - Glen Rosander; Chair, Badge maker - Bob Nelson; Photographer - PBS Howdy Hoover; Greeters- George T. Smith, HLM/PBS E. Houston Keehner; Historian - PBS Howdy Hoover; Membership - Dick Millin; Music - Fred Hoyt; Nominating Committee – Bob Hansen; Travel - Ron Lemmon; Guest Day Tickets – Chuck Paulsen (428-6992); Gold Pan - Erik Nooren; Golf - PBS Al Lewis; Golf Treasurer HLM/PBS Bill Stadler; Roster - George Katibah; Sunshine - HLM/PBS E. Houston Keehner-- Lloyd Durfee.

NOTICE:

Enjoy reading SIR Happenings, our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can easily find SIR Happenings on the SIR State Website: www.sirinc.org. This SIRcular as well as past issues is also available on the state website.

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ATTENDANCE: A member must notify the Attendance Committee @ 489-4638 or 456-4904 before a regular meeting, with a valid excuse (Illness or Travel), if he is going to be unable to attend.

Missing 3 consecutive meetings without notification or attending less than one-half of the regular meetings in the last year can result in termination. (Standing Rules 60,100 &107)

UPCOMING 2008 LUNCHEON DATES:

Tuesday	April 15	Tuesday	September 16
Tuesday	May 20- Guest Day Meeting	Tuesday	October 21
Tuesday	June 17	Tuesday	November 18
Tuesday	July 15	Tuesday	December 16- Guest Day Meeting
Tuesday	August 19		