



The Sir Prize

Santa Lucia Branch #89 March 2018

Meeting: 12 Noon 2nd Wednesday
Exec. Board Meeting: 10am 2nd Wed.
Salinas Elk's Lodge, 614 Airport Blvd.



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Attendance Rules: Regular members missing meetings for three (3) consecutive months without notifying the Attendance Committee with a valid reason, or attending fewer than six (6) meetings over a twelve month period, may have their membership terminated following notification by letter of unsatisfactory attendance. Certified attendance at another SIR Branch counts for the purpose of satisfying these rules.

Can't make the meeting? Call Gary Bowden 676-6137 or Norm Graulich 455-8043



Big SIR Vic Lanini sez:

I have a couple of thank-yous to bestow for starters. I always preach that the success of our branch depends not only on you being loyal as a member, and coming to the meeting lunches, but also partaking of the branch operations. Long time member Ray Lizundia resigned from a very important position with our club. You remember him as the song leader and also our spiritual leader before the branch merge. In addition Ray would visit the sick in the Hospital or at their homes. Chuck Karnow has agreed to take on the song leader job and Tom Bailey along with his dog Stormy the duties of visiting the sick. Thank you for filling these important jobs guys.

Have you got your kites built yet for you see March is kite month with the wind to make them sail. Remember those days? If you have grandchildren make a kite or buy one, take them out and fly it instead of them glued to their electronic devices. They might enjoy it and it should bring back some fond memories to you as well. At the April meeting we will do the table scramble where you draw a chip to designate your seating for the April meeting seating. It is designed to acquaint you with fellow members you may have not had a chance to talk with. If you have special needs sit where it fits your situation, but try to play along for this once a year event. Take a chance for this one meeting for those who feel it serves no purpose.

Menu for March 14: Beef stew, rice, dinner roll, green salad, coffee & dessert



Little SIR Brian Borgerding sez:

March, 1946, Winston Churchill delivered a speech that coined the term "Iron Curtain" to describe the boundary in Europe between the free countries of the West and the nations of Eastern Europe under Soviet Russia control. The Cold War began. On March 31 1991 the Soviet Republic of Georgia voted to declare independence from Soviet Russia. Russia dispatched troops to keep them in the Soviet Union. In March 1999 Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic were admitted into NATO ending their Cold War alliance with the Soviet Union.

Although all of the above occurred in the month of March, they took place over many decades. Plenty of Americans contributed and the U.S. stood as a symbol of democracy and freedom. The Soviet Union no longer exists, but we are still waging a cold War against Communism.

March Speaker

Cathy Cussons of the Western Stage
(Sorry, no bio available)

Birthday Boys for March:

Birthday winner for February = Byron Owens

Richard Bawcom (89) Brian Borgerding (66)

Dennis Boronda (69) Jim Brown (72) Hugh Campbell (87)

Walter Days (81) Bob Earl (77) Wally Johnson (93)

Wayne Johnson (65) Andy Klingelhofer (66)

Jim Washington (87)

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Sunshine News: Call Tom Bailey & his therapy dog (831-455-1100)

Pete Flores is recuperating at home from knee surgery.

The latest edition of SIR Happenings has just been posted on the SIR website:

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

Attendance % for the year:

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Questions or Comments about this newsletter can be sent to rfearl41@gmail.com

Today's Humor.....Long, Lost Bible Version of How Computers Started

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a healthy young wife by the name of Dorothy.

Dot Com was a comely woman, large of breast, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she was often called Amazon Dot Com. And she said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why dost thou travel so far from town to town with thy goods when thou canst trade without ever leaving thy tent?"

Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, dear?"

Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale, and they will reply telling you who hath the best price. The sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)."

Abraham thought long and hard and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums.

The drums rang out and were an immediate success. Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever having to move from his tent.

To prevent neighboring countries from overhearing what the drums were saying, Dot devised a system that only she and the drummers knew. It was known as Must Send Drum Over Sound (MSDOS), and she also developed a language to transmit ideas and pictures - Hebrew To The People (HTTP).

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung.

They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Sybarites, or NERDS.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums that no one noticed that the real riches were going to that enterprising drum dealer, Brother William of Gates, who bought off every drum maker in the land. Indeed he did insist on drums to be made that would work only with Brother Gates' drumheads and drumsticks.

And Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others."

And Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or eBay as it came to be known.

He said, "We need a name that reflects what we are."

And Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO," said Abraham. And because it was Dot's idea, they named it YAHOO Dot Com.

Abraham's cousin, Joshua, being the young Gregarious Energetic Educated Kid (GEEK) that he was, soon started using Dot's drums to locate things around the countryside.

It soon became known as God's Own Official Guide to Locating Everything (GOOGLE).

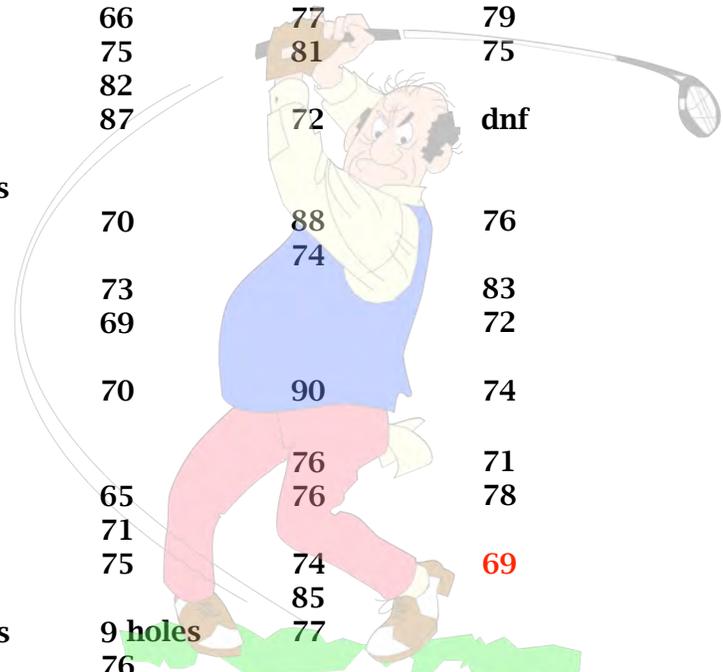
That is how it all began. And that's the truth!

Bob Earl
 SIR Br 89 Editor



Golf: By Neil Ledford & Bob Pendergrass

<u>Name</u>	<u>Feb 1</u>	<u>Feb 8</u>	<u>Feb 15</u>	<u>Feb 22</u>
Bruce Adams	67	60	72	81
Brian Borgerding	78	75	71	75
Gary Bowden	82	71		87
Al Bowman	75	66	77	79
Jim Brown	76	75	81	75
Dick Chavez		82		
Wayne Davis	77	87	72	dnf
Pete Flores				
John Jennings	9 holes			
Gene Griffin	84	70	88	76
Vic Lanini	74		74	
Neil Ledford	82	73		83
Norm Long	68	69		72
Dave Lucero				
Tom Lynch	68	70	90	74
David Miller				
Jim Mills	76		76	71
Bob Pendergrass	63	65	76	78
Bob Romo	71	71		
Mike Shuttleworth	78	75	74	69
Jim Tashiro			85	
Gene Tonus	9 holes	9 holes	77	
Cary Tremewan		76		
Don Webster	74	66	83	74
Carlos Yniguez		77	82	



These are all net scores