



# *The Sir Prize*

Santa Lucia Branch #89 April 2018

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



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



## **Big SIR Vic Lanini sez:**

*Well here we go again it was one month ago I was writing about how it appeared we were headed for another dry year, and bingo along comes the rain. Very similar to what happened in 1995 when all the rain came in the early spring and flooded our valley. That is why we should never give up hope because it can bite you just when you think all is lost. It is a welcome relief however because now our beautiful hills are green with grass, and soon the wild flowers will follow. With cold weather we experienced early in the winter we should see a Lupine show in the field beyond the Toro Café on 68 after many years of nothing.*

*Remember April is our pick a table month where you will draw for your seat, and we have the mayor back as our speaker who always is a pleasure to listen to when tells it like it is about the goings on in Salinas politics. Like him or not he in my estimation is doing a great job as mayor given all the issues that a city the size of Salinas must handle. Right around the corner in June will be our summer barbecue on the same day as our regular meeting. Let's start getting the word out now so hopefully we can have a great turn out. It is one of our activities that include wives so let's try to have a good turnout.*

***Menu for April 11: Tri-tip bbq style, baked potato with the works, grilled asparagus, salad, coffee & dessert***



## **Little SIR Brian Borgerding sez:**

*The Pony express began in April 1860 to fill the need of fast mail service. The discovery of gold in California, it's statehood, and approaching Civil War made faster communication necessary. At its peak, it employed about 6000 people and took about 10 days to move a pouch of Mail from St. Louis to Sacramento. In October 1860, the Pony Express made it last run as the transcontinental telegraph was completed. Americans then, as today, always find a way to fill a need and make money, even if for a short period of time.*

# ***April Speaker***

*Salinas Mayor, Joe Gunter, is back and will fill us in on what's happening in our city.*

***Please welcome the new additions to our barnyard.***



***Wayne Mcdaniel***



***Edward Moncrief***

## ***Birthday Boys for April:***

***Birthday winner for March = Wayne Johnson  
Wayne Davis (69) Bob Fellows (92) Vic Lanini (79)  
David Miller (68) Don Stoffey (88)***

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Vacant

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

*Bruce Adams wife, Eileen, has passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are for the entire Adams family. Funeral arraignments pending.*

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

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

**Attendance % for the year:**

**J 72 F 69 M 75**

**Questions or Comments about this newsletter can be sent to [rfearl41@gmail.com](mailto:rfearl41@gmail.com)**

**Today's Humor.....More Ponderables**

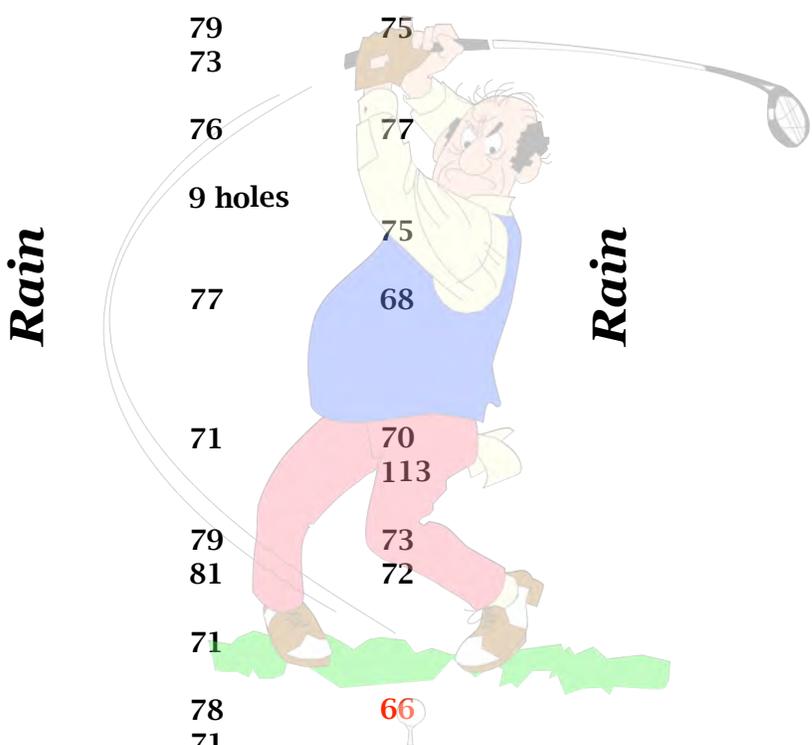
*\* If you attempt to rob a bank you won't have any trouble with rent/food bills for the next 10 years, whether or not you are successful. \* Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned? \* What if my dog only brings back my ball because he thinks I like throwing it? \* If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous? \* Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C? \* Why is the letter W, in English, called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V? \* Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you and It just takes 75-100 years to fully work. \* Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty. \* The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims". \* Intentionally losing a game of rock, paper, scissors is just as hard as trying to win. \* 100 years ago everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses. \* Your future self is watching you right now through memories. \* The doctors that told Stephen Hawking he had two years to live in 1953 are probably dead. \* If you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them. \* Many animals probably need glasses, but nobody knows it. \* If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than there were before. \* If 2/2/22 falls on a Tuesday, we'll just call it "2's Day". (It does fall on a Tuesday).*

Bob Earl  
SIR Br 89 Editor



**Golf: By Neil Ledford & Bob Pendergrass**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Mar 1</u>	<u>Mar 8</u>	<u>Mar 15</u>	<u>Mar 22</u>
Bruce Adams		80	79	
Brian Borgerding		66	75	
Gary Bowden				
Al Bowman		79	75	
Jim Brown		73		
Dick Chavez				
Wayne Davis		76	77	
Pete Flores				
John Jennings		9 holes		
Gene Griffin			75	
Vic Lanini				
Neil Ledford		77	68	
Dave Lucero				
Tom Lynch				
David Miller				
Jim Mills		71	70	
Ed Moncrief			113	
Bob Pendergrass				
Bob Romo		79	73	
Mike Shuttleworth		81	72	
Jim Tashiro				
Gene Tonus		71		
Cary Tremewan				
Don Webster		78	66	
Carlos Yniguez		71		



These are all net scores