



# Branch #49 Folsom

April 2025

Next Luncheon: April 17, 2025 at the Robert H. Miller III Rotary Clubhouse located at 7150 Baldwin Dam Rd. in Folsom

Speaker: Christine Wynn, Sacramento County Assessor

State SIR Website

<https://www.sirinc.org/>

Branch 49 Website

<https://www.Sirinc2.org/branch49>



Board Meeting @ 10:00 a.m.  
Social Hour @ 11:00 a.m.  
Golfer's Meeting @ 11:00 a.m.  
Lunch @ 12:15 p.m.

## 2025 Officers

Big SIR	Roland Kleinman
Little SIR	Mike Panelo
Secretary	Bob Hedges
Asst. Secretary	Ed Puchi
Treasurer	Stephen Post
Asst. Treasurer	OPEN
Membership	Bill Bertsch
Asst. Membership	Joel Reisman

## Board of Directors

Roland Kleinman	Bill Bertsch
Mike Panelo	Ed Puchi (At-large)
Bob Hedges	Joel Reisman (At-large)
Stephen Post	

## Committee Chairman

ATTENDANCE	Cory Lindholm
AUDITOR	OPEN
BEVERAGE	Jim Ramstad
BEVERAGE AIDS	John Cordero
	Manny Cordero
	Gene Phelps
BOOK EXCHANGE	OPEN
CHAPLAIN	Ed Puchi
EDITOR	Joel Reisman
GREETER	Fred Jacobs (PBS)
MARKETING	Art Vallerga
MUSIC	OPEN
NOMINATING	Joel Reisman
	Ed Puchi
	Joe Lapilusa
PURVEYOR	Joe Artim (PBS)
SUNSHINE	Dave Ward
TICKET SALES	Ray Jerd
	John McKim
WEBSITE	Kim Hammon

## Activities Chairmen

BOWLING	Bob Collins
GOLF	Steve Sims
WINE TASTING	Dave Butt

## Past Big SIRs

2012	Joe Lapilusa
2013	Karl Ryden
2014	Gary Stout
2015	Fred Jacobs
2016	Robert Eplett
2017	Vic Brewer
2018	Ed Puchi
2019	Jerry Helmey
2020	Al Edwards
2021	Joe Artim
2022	Joe Artim
2023	Allen Wong
2024	Max Hartley

## State SIRs

AREA 3 REPRESENTATIVE  
Jim Gragg (retired 2/28/25)

SIR STATE OFFICERS  
PRES. — Rich Carlston  
V.P. — Lee Lamp  
SEC. — Jeff Chin  
TREAS. — Carl Mason



Karl Ryden—SHLM  
Frank Donner  
Joe LaPilusa  
Jack DuBé emeritus  
\* Roy Estep  
\* Bob Griggs — SHLM  
\* Frank Reetz  
\* Bill Staiger—SHLM  
\* Gordon Vinther  
\* Ralph Housley \* Deceased



Rain, rain, go away . . .



Welcome new members! L/R Dave Brown, Ken Johnson, Norm Mercer, Justin Periquet



## Big SIR - Roland Kleinman

### Happy Passover and Easter!

Mother Nature is being a bit fickle... we get a few days of nice Spring weather, only to be sent right back to cool and rainy! At least it's light rains; nothing like the torrents we had been getting. The golf

course fairways are starting to get more lush and firm, which is so much more enjoyable!

Our March meeting / luncheon was very well attended - we had to pull out additional chairs and place settings to accommodate the crowd! Great to see so many members in attendance. We enjoyed the usual St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage meal, and decadent cupcakes for dessert! Thanks again to our food purveyor, Joe Artim. Interesting topic / guest speaker from Folsom Public Library; thanks to Little SIR Mike Panelo for arranging! I was surprised to learn it is such a highly used facility, greatly surpassing many other libraries in Northern California. I'm tempted to get my library card and check out what it has to offer!

Remember to get your tickets for our 4th annual Picnic in the Park, coming up on May 15. It will take place at Lee Howard Park, which is across from our regular lunch venue, up the hill. Tickets are available at the monthly meeting / lunch checkin table. This month's meeting will be your final opportunity buy your tickets! Don't forget that guests are welcome. If you have suggestions for fun picnic activities, please reach out to Joel.

At last month's meeting, PBS Max Hartley floated the idea of starting a group walking activity. Perhaps starting with a breakfast meetup, then walking a trail, park, or other venue. If interested, please reach out to Max for details.

Our membership is quite close to 100. Keep an eye out for other potential SIR members - let's get over that 100 number! Remember, interested guys can come to a meeting and enjoy a no-obligation free lunch.

Thanks to all of you that have paid your 2025 SIR renewals. We still have a number of members that have yet to pay - if this is you, please plan to pay (\$25) at the meeting/ lunch check-in table this month.

See you at the meeting!

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**Big SIR**  
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## Little SIR - Mike Panelo

### Spring has sprung!

Forget that the tax man comes a-knockin'. I'd rather enjoy the feeling of a fresh start and the hope of a new baseball season. Funny how the players stay the same age as we get older.

Our Sunshine Committee Chairman, Dave Ward, suggested we reach out to members, have a conversation, and hopefully find interests that may be common and that may lead to new group activities. If you get a call, it's not just because you haven't paid your dues. Also, a gentle reminder, you haven't paid your dues.

SIR Branch 49 inducted four new members in March. Welcome to the group: Dave Brown, Ken Johnson, Justin Periquet, and Norm Mercer. Thanks to Jerry Nakamura, John McKim, and Chuck Bradshaw for sponsoring them in.

Mr. Thomas Gruneisen, of the Folsom Public Library, joined us at our March luncheon. It seems there are many members already using the library, judging by the questions for Thomas afterward. The speaker for our April luncheon will be Sacramento County Assessor, Christina Wynn. If you haven't paid your property taxes, you might want to keep a low profile.

**Mike Panelo**  
**Little Sir, Br 49**  
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A big thank you to our speaker, Mr. Thomas Gruneisen, Director of our Folsom Public Library.



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Chairman: Bill  
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Asst. Membership Chairman: Joel  
Reisman (916) 983-2492  
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### CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

Active: 95

Inducted in Mar: 4

Ken Johnson  
David Brown  
Norman Mercer  
Justin Periquet

Potential New Member: 1

Tim Cleary

Members Lost: 1

Kendall Stuessy

Anniversaries for April: 10

Rik BENNETT  
Bill BERTSCH  
Allen WONG  
John CHEGIA  
Gary VEFFREDO  
Kim HAMMON  
Roland KLEINMAN  
Jim COLE  
Terry GREENSHIELDS

## Lunch Menu for April

Caesar salad

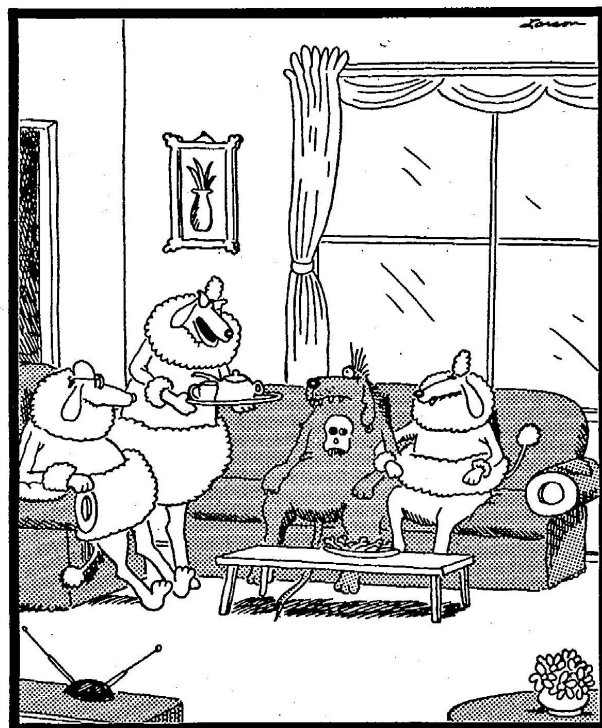
beef, chicken

potatoes

veggies

rolls, butter

dessert



"So, Raymond ... Linda tells us you  
work in the security division  
of an automobile wreckage site."





## Branch 49 Golf Club

Chairman: Steve Sims  
916- 365-6062  
Asst. Chairman/Handicap Chair:  
Don Fuller  
916-791-4581  
Tournament Directors: Ed Nishio, Tim Hammon & Robin Williams  
Treasurer: Pat Flynn  
Secretary: Robin Williams

Lead Tournament Leader: Jerry Nakamura  
Rules Chairman: Roland Kleinman  
Advisor/Special Projects: TBD

Mercy folks it's April already and we are roughly one quarter into our main season. All indications are that it is going well so far. We have played a few courses we had not played in a long time. Please let me know if there are courses you would like to play and those you may not have liked so much. I will see what I can do with next year's schedule.

The board met and discussed a few items primarily a few issues, we have asked Kim Hammon to add two items to the Sir Br 49 website. An explanation of player of the year and how it is calculated. We will also be posting our Branch tournament local rules. We have had a substantial number of new members and golfers; I want to welcome you all. We also approved the purchase of Branch hats; samples are on the way, and I hope to bring them to the April luncheon. We also voted to maintain the max score on any given hole at 5 strokes.

Lastly, Tim Hammon has volunteered to take over the production of the golf nametags. Thanks Kim and Tim for stepping up for the Branch and golf club.

Don Fuller hit the greatest shot he never saw at Empire Ranch. He holed out on his approach from the fairway, unfortunately he didn't see it, but I did and it was a thing of beauty. Nice shot Don.

## Closest to the Pin

Tim Hammon 9' 9"  
Dan Mikles 13' 6"

## Mather 3-17-25 Scramble

1st Place: Carter-Conrad-DeLeon 69/60  
2nd Place: Butt-Sims-Flynn-Fuller 73/66  
3rd Place: Fischer-Kleinman-Williams 72/66

## Closest to the Pin

Ed Nishio 8' 10"  
Stephen Post 9' 11"

## Empire Ranch 3-24-25 Stroke/666

### Stroke

Flt 1: Pat Flynn 85/69  
Flt 2: - Brad Carter 87/69  
Flt 3: - Scott Pearce 93/65  
Flt 4: - Allen Wong 101/70

### 666

1st Place – Hammon T-Sims-Veffredo-Fuller 129  
2nd Place - Williams-Butt-Alfonso-Pearce 131  
3rd Place - Carter-Rawlinson-Hammon K-Mikles 133

### Closest to the Pin:

1st Place - Jim Reed 4' 6"  
2nd Place - Bob Luther 7' 5"



## LAST THREE

### Wildhawk 3-11-25 Stableford/4X2 BB

#### Stroke

Stableford Flt 1: Brad Carter 38 pts  
Stableford Flt 2: Steve Alfonso 44 pts  
Stableford Flt 3: Joe Artim 35 pts

#### 4X2 Best Ball

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 4x2BB Team Tseng-Carter-Bradshaw -13/131  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 4x2BB Team Williams-Butt-Conrad-Post -9/135  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 4x2BB Team Alfonso-Nishio-Fuller -9/135



## PLAYER OF THE YEAR LEADERBOARD

Brad Carter is still the one to chase. The next four had a minor shake up.

Brad Carter  
Kim Hammon  
Pat Flynn  
Ed Nishio  
Allen Wong

## NEXT UP - MARCH-APRIL

3/31/2025	9:00	Dry Creek
4/7/2025	9:00	Woodcreek
4/14/2025	9:00	Cherry Island
4/22/2025	9:24	Bartley Cavanaugh
4/28/2025	9:42	Bing Maloney

## HATS

Sneak peek:

THREAD COLORS:  
RED - 1147  
BLACK - 6900  
WHITE - 1801

Front



• Colors of the design may look slightly different in real life

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## **Branch 49 Bowling**

**Bowling Chairman: Bob Collins**

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Yes, we are still bowling at Steve Cook's Fireside Lanes in Citrus Heights on Wednesdays 12:30-3:00pm. We took a 2 week break during the holidays and returned to bowling on Wednesday January 8, 2025. We just finished week 28 of 32 in March, 2025.

The league is called the "Senior Fun" Bowling League. The league consists of 16 three person teams. The league consists of many SIRS members from other chapters. The league is a mixed gender and "handicap" league, currently with several women (none from SIRS). This "fall/ winter" season will last until mid-May 2025.

Currently, there are 8 Chapter 49 SIRS bowlers. They are:

Ray Jerd (146 avg), John McKim (141), Bob Collins (150); Alan Wong (135), Jim Boles (aka Bowls!!) (141), Ron Peters (136) up by 1 pin; Tom Coultas (Avg 100; is now a substitute), along with Mike Panelo. (Avg 149)

We are still working on our handicap but showing progress. Ray, John, and Bob are on the "Gold" team, on the standing list in fifth, up from last (9th) place a few weeks ago. Alan is on the "Nuggets" in 13th place, down from 5th place; Jim Boles is on the "Claim Jumpers," in 9th place up from 11th place; Ron Peters is on "Young at Heart", in 1st place!! Whoopie

Jim Boles (aka Bowls) has the current high scratch series of 573 for our group. Bob Collins still has the current average of 150 – and a good series of 569 (several weeks ago) for the SIRS bowlers. (Not bad, but not quite in the same "league" as Jim Boles. ). We have had a few drop-outs recently....more to follow. John McKim comes in at an average of 141. Alan Wong recently bowled a high game of 184 ( a few weeks ago)! Good job Alan.

Jim Boles still has the high game of 239 and high series of 573 and handicap game of 318!! And 810 handicap series!!!!. Wow!! Congrats to all!! Despite inconsistent scores, we ARE having fun . . . or so I'm told.

Most of our chapter bowlers in the league consider a "good" average is anything above 165, and a series to be 500 or more. As I have previously reported, several of our SIRS bowlers seem to all be working on increasing our handicap. (Yeah, you read that right! Haha.) Some might say we are "sandbagging" for the end of session tournament. Go for it! The handicap, makes things competitive.

Each week consists two teams competing against each other for 3 games. The better you bowl, (or depending on how much beer you drink), the more fun you have! The cost to bowl each week is \$15.00, and you have to pay even if you miss any week or more. The league also has a raffle each Wednesday which helps to fund the season ending prizes "pot of gold." There are money prizes for best teams, best bowler, high score among others, at the end of each season (Spring, summer, winter).

Scoring for placement consists of 1 point for each team game "win" (including handicap), and 2 points for the team with the high series score (including handicap) for each week. A team can get 0 to 5 points each week. The standings are based on the number of points a team accumulates each week throughout the season.

If you are interested in becoming involved as a substitute, you can contact me (Bob Collins-bowling coordinator for Chp 49) or the league secretary. I can be reached at –

Robertcollins325@comcast.net- or by cell phone at (916) 337-6236. The league secretary is Larry Mustain who can be reached at (916) 635-5674 or email at-- lcmustain@sbcglobal.net

Good luck and good bowling.





## The Social Corner

Dave Butt (408) 295-9933

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Last month happy people met at Daniello's for happy hour. If you want to be happy as well, join us for happy hour on April 10 at Out of

Bounds Craft Kitchen and Biergarten on Folsom Auburn Rd. starting at 3pm.

We also have a date for the next wine tasting, which will be held on April 25. If you did not receive the email and would like to be on the wine tasting email list, contact Dave Butt.



We're looking for an assistant treasurer to help at the front desk. (Minimum qualifications 3rd grade math.) Also, who wouldn't want to work with these fine gentlemen? (L/R: Cory Lindholm, Stephen Post)

## Pepper ... And Salt

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



*"You shouldn't have laughed  
when you pleaded 'not guilty'."*



L/R: Bob Haines, Sil DeLeon, Norm Mercer, Ken Johnson, Mark Funk, Jerry Nakamura

L/R: Bob Losik, Steve Alfonso, Dave Ward, Jim Reed, Ron Schultze, John Irwin



L/R: Ray Fischer, Vic Brewer, Dave Farrelly, Allen Wong, Joe Artim, Gary Gargano

L/R: Dave Butt, Art Valleriga, John Chegia, Karl Ryden, Gary Stout, Mike McCormack

