

THE PETALUMAN



Branch 58 Newsletter - April 2024



Big SIR Report

Sir Rich Inman

April is the best month to watch for meteor showers. The Lyrids meteor shower appears from April 16th to April 26th each year. Kind of gives new meaning to April showers...

It was a very enlightening presentation last month from the Catholic Charities Foundation. They seem to have rehabilitation practices that really work.

Another well attended meeting, even though there was a lack of wearing green. In the old days, you'd get pinched! It's a simple thing, but it's great to see everybody enjoying themselves. I truly believe we have a very upbeat group. Keep up the positive vibes.

We have a lot of great events upcoming, along with the lady's luncheon in May, which I hope many of us will be able to attend. Remember to think of any friends or family members who would like to attend and possibly join our group. Bruce has done a great job lining up trips and adventures for us. Please consider signing up! I will be unable to attend the meeting. I'm going back to Vegas to babysit my grandson this time. He's not quite old enough to go to daycare; as my son starts his new job. So, get out and enjoy the fine weather, in between showers, and I'll see everyone in May.



Little SIR Report

Sir Glen Hunsicker

April already? It seems like spring weather is right around the corner, then it changes back to winter. Ahh Petaluma weather! We've got a total solar eclipse on April 8th.

The speaker for our April lunch will be Sid Madhavan from the Buck Institute. He will talk about work he is currently doing at Buck and it is titled "The Science Behind Living Better Longer". This sounds like it could be interesting and informative to us all.

Remember our Ladies Lunch on May 3rd. If you haven't signed up yet and are interested, bring your money to our April lunch, \$45.00 per lunch. We've got quite a few already signed up. Thank you. I've got a line on what I think will be some beautiful music to entertain us. Look forward to seeing you all there. "Being challenged in life is inevitable; being defeated is optional".

Roger Crawford



Financial Report Sir Jose Tamayo

Mar 2024

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Golf Sir Jack Shipper 707-762-2213

April	1	Rooster Run	8:30
	8	Rooster Run	7:30
	15	Foxtail No.	10:00
	22	Bennett Valley	9:00
	29	Rooster Run	9:00



Bocce Ball Sir Jerry Pagnusat 707-481-9003

April	19	Friday after meeting	
	10:30		
	Leghorn Park		
	Optional Lunch After		

NEXT MEETING: April 16, 2024 French Country Chicken

Social Hour 11:00 – Lunch 12:00

Membership

Sir Ralph Sartori

Our March meeting was attended by 41 members. Our monthly attendance dropped slightly to 75% from 85% last month. We are still ahead of the state goal of 70%. This is the first month that we did not meet our catering number. I cannot stress enough how important it is to let me know if you're unable to make the monthly meeting. My phone # is 707-484-4977. Please leave a message if I don't answer or email me: rlsartori@comcast.net

Our Branch numbers for March: Active members 55; New members Mark Quam and Michael Tennyson.

We did not have any prospective members attending the March Meeting. Rember prospective members are not charged for meals.

April Birthday's

Derlin German, Robert Mawyer, Tim Talamantes and Alumni member James Paddor.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting on April 16th.

Trips & Tours

Sir Bruce Sheibach

We started out March with a tour of the Ellis creek Water Recycling Facility in Petaluma. We had 14 members and friends attend. The next event is scheduled for April 4th, when we will tour of the Buck Institute for Research on Aging located in Novato. We have 20 people signed up, which is the maximum for the tour. If you are interested in attending, I can put you on a waiting list in case someone is not able to make it. It should be an interesting tour of the I.M Pei designed facility. On Friday the 10th of May we have a 1½ hour private tour (\$20 each) scheduled of Fort Ross State Historic Park, guided by personnel with the Fort Ross Conservancy. During this private tour we will learn about the rich and diverse natural and cultural history of Fort Ross. We have a custom five-day tour of Southern California scheduled for July 23rd-27th. The trip includes traveling by train, bus, ferry and plane. So far, we have about 16 people that are interested in attending and I have sent the flyer to Branch 147 and Branch 47 in San Rafael and hope to get the group up to about 30 people. If you wish to go, please send me your deposit as soon as possible. Finally, Sturgeon's Mill, a steam powered sawmill located in Sebastopol, will have a mill run that is open to the public on September 14th and 15th. As September approaches we can determine if we want to go on Saturday or Sunday.

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BRANCH 58 Officers 2024

Big SIR: Rich Inman 780-7792 Little SIR: Glen Hunsicker 953-1632 Secretary: George Matt 763-4738 Jose Tamayo Treasurer: 338-7609 Travel: Bruce Scheibach 762-1948 Newsletter: Jerry Pagnusat 795-2277 Directors: Mike Bakalar 2024, Bill Tennyson 2024, Jerry Pozo 2024, Ike Tolks 2025, George McCarter 2025, Bob Souza 2025.



Welcome New Members Micheal and Dan Tennyson



Welcome Mark Quam



Happy Winner



Speaker from Catholic Charities



Birthday Boys Jerry, Ralph and Glen





Photos by Jerry Pozo and Pagnusat

Ellis Creek Treatment Plant Tour

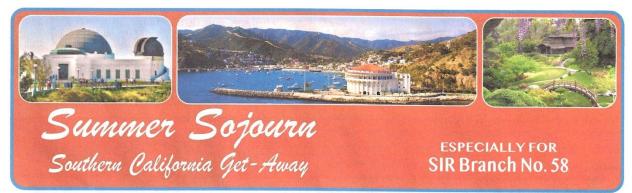
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If you haven't already, bring your checkbook or cash to the next meeting to sign up and make meal choice for the Spring Ladies Lunch.

Checks made out to SIR 58

\$45 per person



A CUSTOM FIVE DAY TOUR

July 23 - 27, 2024

TOUR FEATURES

Escorted by: Bruce Scheibach

Cell Phone: (707) 338-2593

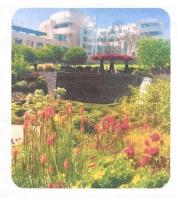
Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation throughout

AMTRAK Coast Starlight passage from Emeryville to Santa Barbara

One-way Air Fare (Burbank to Santa Rosa)

ONE Night at the Best Western - Santa Barbara THREE Nights at The Embassy Suites - Glendale





Breakfast Daily, Three Lunches and Three Dinners
Narrated TROLLEY TOUR - Santa Barbara
Self-Guided Tour of THE GETTY MUSEUM
CATALINA EXPRESS Ferry (round trip Avalon)
Discover Avalon Tour - Catalina Island

Admission and Tour of the PETERSEN Auto Museum
Admission and Presentation at the GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY
Admission for Self-Guided Tour & Traditional Tea at the HUNTINGTON Library & Gardens

Taxes and Gratuity for all included features
Airport and Rail Transfers to/from Petaluma
Driver Tip

COST: \$1,785 Per Person
Double Occupancy

\$2,265 Single Occupancy

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DAY ONE PETALUMA/SANTA BARBARA

Tuesday, July 23

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Meet for transfer to the **Emeryville AMTRAK** station and board the **Coast Starlight**. From the fertile valleys through Salinas and the long stretches of Pacific Ocean



shoreline we have a stunning backdrop for our rail journey south to **Santa Barbara**. Enjoy lunch *on your own* in the dining car on board. An early evening arrival in the "American Riviera". Transfer to the **Best Western** for check-in and enjoy a casual hosted dinner at the Live Oak Cafe.

DAY TWO SANTA BARBARA/GLENDALE

Wednesday, July 24

B/D

Hosted breakfast. This morning, board the Santa Barbara Trolley for a narrated tour including Santa Barbara Mission, Montecito, El Presidio and the historic Courthouse. Then, travel south along scenic 101 to The GETTY. Nestled on a hilltop in the Santa Monica Mountains, the Getty Center with its fine art exhibitions, impressive architecture, and lush gardens, is a feast for the senses! A self-guided tour of the gardens and exhibits with time for lunch on your own here on the premises. Continue to nearby Glendale, where we check in for three nights at the Embassy Suites. Our stay includes nightly evening reception and a breakfast daily. Later, join for a hosted dinner here at the Bistro 800.

DAY THREE CATALINA

Thursday, July 25

B/I

Hosted breakfast. This morning transfer to Long Beach, where we embark the Catalina Express for a scenic cruise to Avalon. This historic seaside destination has



attracted film stars, dignitaries and presidents throughout the years, and it still maintains its charm and allure today. On arrival, meet our guide for our Discover Avalon Tour. You'll see and learn about colorful local attractions as your guide shares interesting Catalina Island history and folklore.

Return to Avalon for a **hosted lunch** and free time for browsing here in the downtown area before we board the Catalina Express and cruise back to the mainland. *Evening free with dinner on your own*.

GRIFFITH



OBSERVATORY

DAY FOUR PETERSEN MUSEUM/GRIFFITH PARK

Friday, July 26

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Hosted breakfast. This morning, admission is included to the Petersen Auto Museum. Here you'll discover some of the most iconic and rare cars, motorcycles, and trucks spanning over 120 years of automotive history; from the Tesla Cyber truck, competition Corvettes and cars of film and television. Lunch will be included here at the Petersen. Then, we continue to the Griffith Observatory, home to the Samuel Oschin Planetarium Theatre, the finest planetarium in the world. Tour the premises at your own pace before attending a live presentation in the theatre. The spectacular Zeiss star projector and theatrical lighting will immerse you in the wonder and meaning of the cosmos! Late afternoon return to the hotel. Tonight, join for a hosted farewell dinner nearby.

DAY FIVE HUNTINGTON/PETALUMA

Saturday, July 27

B/L

Hosted breakfast. This morning, we check-out and transfer to San Marino, where admission is included to the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens. You

will be provided with a reference guide to explore the central area of the estate including the world renowned galleries and gardens. Later, meet at the **Rose Garden**



Tea Room for a **hosted traditional English Tea**; an array of savory finger sandwiches, imported and domestic cheeses, fresh fruit, salads, and specialty petite desserts. A late afternoon transfer to the airport where we meet our homeward bound non-stop flight. Our arrival in Santa Rosa and transfer to Petaluma concludes our **Summer Sojourn** adventure. **Welcome home!**

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NOT INCLUDED: Airline/Hotel Luggage Fees, meals not reflected in the itinerary, cancellation insurance or items of a personal nature.

FINAL PAYMENT DUE MAY 20, 2024

Summer Sojourn SIR Branch No. 58 July 23 - 27, 2024

APPLICATION

MAIL TO: Mr. Bruce Scheibach 199 Haverfield Lane Petaluma, CA 94952

	(101) 102-1940
Enclosed is a deposit for \$ (\$350 per person) to	secure reservations for person(s).
Legal Name(s): (same as government issued ID)	Nickname(s):(for name badge)
Address:	Phone:
Accommodations Request: King Bed Double Beds do	or Single 🛘
Special needs/requests:	
Date of Birth: Passenger 1) Passenger	. 2)
Email Address:	Cell Phone:
Cancellation Insurance (see above): ☐ YES ☐ NO	