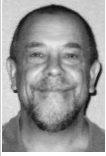




THE PETALUMAN



Branch 58 Newsletter – May 2024



Big SIR Report

Sir Rich Inman

Beltane is the Gaelic May Day festival marking the beginning of Summer. Writing this from Vegas while watching my grandson and grand-dog. Drove here the day after we got back from Maui with my daughter's family. It will be nice to stay home for a while!

Sounds like it was a great April meeting. Thanks for stepping up, Glen; great practice for next year! Looking forward to our Ladies Luncheon. Lots of great trips and events coming up. Let's take the opportunity to go exploring.

Overall, our branch is thriving. Let's keep the momentum going with new members. I'll see everyone at the Lodge on May 3rd for the social event of the month. ;~)



Little SIR Report

Sir Glen Hunsicker

Good to see all of you at the lunch in April. It was a good turnout. Way to go Derlin for bringing a guest! Thank you. I thought our speaker Sid Madhavan from the Buck Institute put on a very interesting presentation. Some new ways to look at my future / health.

My wife and I were able to take a short road trip in April. We went to visit my brother and his family up in Paradise in Butte County. It was great to get away. We took the long way home through Clear Lake and had a picnic lunch next to the Lake with Mt. Konocti in the background. The sky was blue the hills were an amazing green, and we were reminded again what a beautiful place we live in. Let's not take it for granted! Looking forward to the upcoming ladies' lunch!

"The really frightening thing about middle age is the knowledge that you will grow out of it"
Doris Day



Financial Report

Sir Jose Tamayo

April 2024

Checking Account Balance	4493.40
Change Fund	300.00
Total Assets	4193.40



Golf

Sir Jack Shipper

707-762-2213

May	7	Bennett Valley	9:00
	13	Rooster Run	9:00
	20	Foxtail So.	8:30
	27	Rooster Run	9:00



Bocce Ball

Sir Jerry Pagnusat

707-481-9003

May	24	Friday After Meeting
		10:30 am
		Leghorn Park
		Optional Lunch After

NEXT MEETING: May 21, 2024

Pork & Green Chili Enchiladas

Social Hour 11:00 – Lunch 12:00

More Info and Photos: See Web Site: "News" "Meetings" or "Travel" Tab

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Membership

Sir Ralph Sartori

Our April meeting was attended by 47 people including visitors and guest. This was our highest attendance at a meeting since September of last year. Our monthly attendance was 89% and our year-to-date attendance is 81%. We are still ahead of the state goal of 70%. It was good to see some members that were missing last month at the meeting. Hopefully the good weather will hold up and we can all visit again next month. Thank you, brothers that called, in to let me know that would not be able to attend, I cannot stress enough how important it is to let me know if your unable to make the monthly meeting. My phone # is 707-484-4977. Please leave a message if I don't answer or email me at rlsartori@comcast.net Our Branch numbers for April: Active members 53.

We did not have any prospective members at the April Meeting. We stated off the year great with 4 new members but since then things have slowed down. Prospective members are not charged for meals.

May Birthday's

Jack Shipper, Roger Wills, Pete Azevedo, Melvin Black, Dainiel Tennyson, Mark Quam
Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting on May 21st.



Trips & Tours

Sir Bruce Sheibach

On April 4th, 18 of us had a great tour of the **Buck Institute for Research on Aging** in Novato. The work they are conducting is very interesting and was expanded upon by our guest speaker at our monthly meeting on the 16th. The Buck Institute building was designed by I.M Pei, who also designed the Louv in Paris. One interesting fact about the building is that it does not have any right angles. On Friday the 10th of May we have a 1 ½ hour private tour (\$20 each) scheduled at **Fort Ross State Historic Park**, guided by personnel with the Fort Ross Conservancy. There is a \$10 fee per car for parking, but if you have a California State Park pass your parking is free. During this private tour we will learn about the rich and diverse natural and cultural history of Fort Ross. Right now, we have about 20 people signed up. I will send out an email to see who would like to carpool. The tour starts at 1:00 pm and the lunch options there are limited. I checked out the lunch options in Jenner and they are limited. Individuals could take a picnic lunch to Fort Ross or stop in Bodega or Jenner for a bite to eat before the tour, but Jenner has limited facilities and food options. We should plan to arrive at Fort Ross by 12:45 pm. We have a custom **Five-Day Tour of Southern California** scheduled for July 23rd-27th. So far, we have about 25 people that have paid their deposit and includes SIR's members from San Rafael, Rohnert Park, and Windsor. We still have room for more people to join us for this interesting trip that includes traveling by train, bus, ferry and plane. 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 Saturday September 14th. Our own Tim Talamantes, the head docent at Sturgeon's Mill, will show us around the operation. Information will be available for this excursion at our August meeting.

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Derlin Brings Guest



Birthday Boys Sing



Happy Winner



Sid Madhavan talks about his PHD Research at Buck.



Guys enjoying the guest and cake.



Tour of Buck Institute and Lunch After

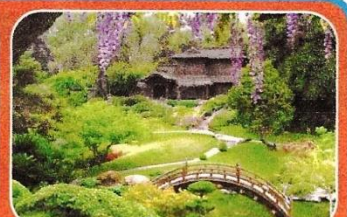
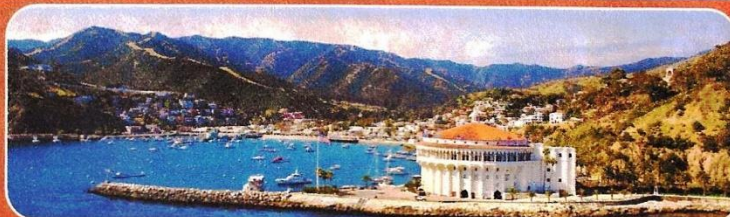
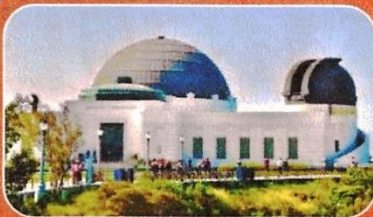




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Summer Sojourn
Southern California Get-Away

ESPECIALLY FOR
SIR Branch No. 58

A CUSTOM FIVE DAY TOUR

July 23 - 27, 2024

I T I N E R A R Y

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

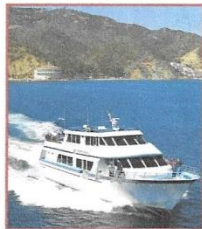
Hosted breakfast. This morning, board the **Santa Barbara Trolley** for a narrated tour including Santa Barbara Mission, Montecito, El Presidio and the historic Courthouse. Then, travel south along scenic 101 to **The GETTY**. Nestled on a hilltop in the Santa Monica Mountains, the Getty Center with 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/L

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

B/L/D

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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**FINAL PAYMENT DUE
MAY 20, 2024**

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

APPLICATION

Make Check payable to: ON TOUR

MAIL TO: Mr. Bruce Scheibach
199 Haverfield Lane
Petaluma, CA 94952
(707) 762-1948



Enclosed is a deposit for \$_____ (\$350 per person) to secure reservations for _____ person(s).

Legal Name(s): _____ Nickname(s): _____
(same as government issued ID) (for name badge)

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Accommodations Request: King Bed Double Beds or Single

Special needs/requests: _____

Date of Birth: Passenger 1) _____ Passenger 2) _____

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Cancellation Insurance (see above): YES NO

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