

# TALE OF THE ROOSTER

SIR TRI-CITY BRANCH 106-Vacaville/Fairfield/Suisun

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*A Non-Profit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity in Retirement*



*National Chocolate Cherry Day*  
January 3



*National Take Down the Christmas Day*  
January 6



*Sony Open in Hawaii*  
January 8 - 14



*National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day*  
January 9



*Betty White Day*  
January 17

## Happy New Year Resolutions

Join a "buy nothing" group on Facebook and trade up to see how big of an item you can get.

**Drink your coffee while it's hot.**

Got a little "junk in the truck?" Find out what's in there...literally: see what treasures are hiding out in your car's trunk.

**Spend a night ending each and every sip of your drink with an enthusiastic, "Ahhhhh, baby!"**

I will pick fewer internet fights.

**I will finish all the DIY projects I started and abandoned in 2019.**

Break your New Year's Resolutions...and don't feel guilty, one bit!

**To My Fellow SIRs:**



FELIZ ANO NUEVO   FROHES NEVES JAHR   SHANA TOVA   GONG HEI FAT CHOY   BONNE ANNEE  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

We welcome 2024 with great expectations of good health and wonderful times for all.

Our Sirs 106 of 2023 was filled with monthly activities around golf, cribbage, and sorting products at the Solano Food Bank. We also continued to support the Remember-A-Vet garland event at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery for the fifth year. This year Sirs 106 members donated \$1300 toward the 32,500 garlands needed. We also returned in the following January for the cleanup. All you must do is ask someone that was there what the weather was like during the set-up and cleanup.

We held a joint luncheon in August with the guest speaker discussing the Alzheimer's and Dementia issues facing many people. In September our annual picnic was held in Cordelia with Cowabunga BBQ providing the meals, with members bringing the desserts. Jim Evans brought homemade ice cream again. The 2023 Holiday party was held with the largest attendance ever. The raffle prizes and dancing highlighted the day.

Your 2024 BEC board, with several new members as directors joined the existing board. We are still in need of a Sirs member becoming the Little Sir for 2024. The BEC is always open for new ideas of guest speakers and activities to be added for consideration.

**Mike Gardner**

# HOLE-IN-ONE



**Jim Miller**

Hole #15

SIRs Leo Camarena, Jim Miller, and Mike Miller



Remember-A-Vet  
Wreath Laying  
16 December 2023  
Sacramento Valley Veterans Cemetery





# Holiday Party

Great slideshow on our website of Holiday Party: <https://www.sir106.org/>



*Before*



*After*



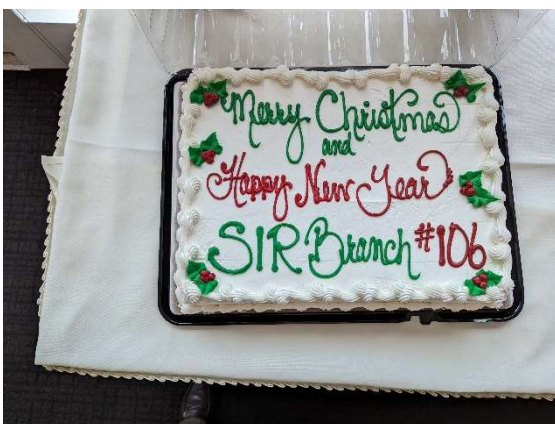
*First One in Line*



*Gate Keepers*



*Flower Child*





# 125 Guests at the Party





# The Raffle



*Raffle Master*



*Master and Elves*

## Raffle Winners







# SIR

## Distinguish Service Awardees



SIRs Terry Hartman, Bob Brown, Rick Newman,  
Dave Baker, Rich Barker, and Mike Gardner

Presiding: State SIR Area 7 Governor Jerry Stabile

Distinguished Service Award (DSA) This “Silver Lapel Pin” award is the 2nd highest award in SIR, to recognize exceptional/extraordinary service at the Branch and/or State levels. This award is to provide a level of recognition for their members that have not earned that which an HLM award requires but have been highly contributing to the success of the Branch and have:

- been a member for a period of 3 years or more.
- clearly earned it through exceptional and extraordinary service.
- steps forward whenever the need arises.
- would be recognized by his peers to have earned it



# Cribbage Championship Tournament 2023



Jim Evans presenting the  
Cribbage Championship Trophy



Steve Handel showing Jim the real trophy,  
Jim Butler (tournament Champion)



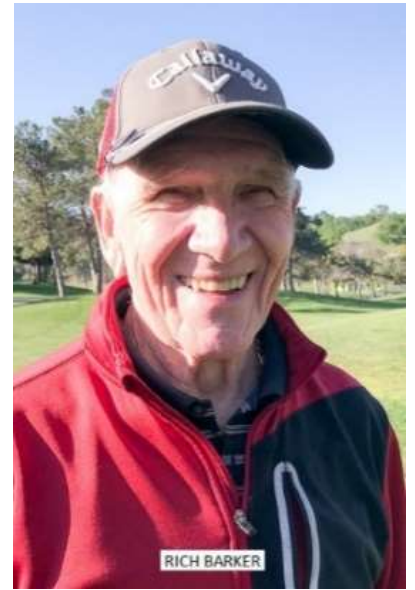
Cribbage Champion  
Jim Butler



# Little SIR



Out with the old and in with the new - Wishing each of you a **Very Happy, Fruitful and Healthy 2024.**



Sir's Branch 106 ended 2023 with a fantastic Christmas Party attended by 125 SIR members, family, and friends. Clearly from the pictures shown in this Newsletter, everyone had a great time.

With the New Year we will once again support the Contra Costa/Solano County Food Bank by volunteering our services on the second Wednesday of each month (January 10th) to separate, box and label food for distribution to the less fortunate in Solano County.

During our Christmas Party we had two different picture takers throughout our event. Because of the large number of pictures taken by Ed Hoeft and Victoria Baker, Ed, and I decided to split the pictures. Those taken by Ed are reflected in this newsletter. Those taken by Victoria are on our sir106.org website, under the Social Page and then Christmas Party. Hope you enjoy seeing what a great time everyone had.

We are still searching for one of you to step up and accept the position of Little Sir for 2024. It will be my pleasure to help whoever accepts this position. We already have January, February and October guest speakers lined up and with our annual Picnic and Christmas Party we will only need 7 more guest speakers for the year.

It has been my pleasure to serve our Branch as your Little Sir for 2023.

*Rich Barker*

# SIR BRANCH 106 GOLF RESULTS – December 2023 (net scores)

## **DECEMBER 4, 2023**

1<sup>st</sup> Flight: Mark Foley, 70; Gary Behne, 71; Steve Donnell, 72; Charlie Stoehr, 74  
2<sup>nd</sup> Flight: Bob Dias, 70; Jim Bryan, 71; Doug Beaumont, 75; Mike Walker, 75  
3<sup>rd</sup> Flight: Kevin Quaintance, 70; Rich Barker, 71; Chuck Womack, 72; Mike Miller, 72  
4<sup>th</sup> Flight: Harold Phister, 65; Bob Brown, 68; Dennis Dix, 70; Dennis LaBrie, 72  
5<sup>th</sup> Flight: Paul Carroll, 68; Lyle Angier, 74; James Patterson, 74; Mike Mastrocovo, 74



#5 Lyle Angier, 22' 6"  
#8 James Patterson, 7' 1"  
#12 Mike Walker, 6' 1"  
#15 Jim Miller HOLE IN ONE



## **DECEMBER 11, 2023**

1<sup>st</sup> Flight: Charlie Stoehr, 67; Mark Foley, 71; John Bonham, 74; Gene Noble, 75  
2<sup>nd</sup> Flight: Joe Chu, 70; Jim Hahn, 70; Bob Dias, 72; Ed Landis, 73  
3<sup>rd</sup> Flight: Bill Czabaranek, 70; Mike Miller, 70; Kevin Quaintance, 72; Jim Evans, 74  
4<sup>th</sup> Flight: Dennis Dix, 70; Lee O'Dell, 71; Tom DeMartino, 72; Dennis LaBrie, 73  
5<sup>th</sup> Flight: Ed Houk, 70; James Patterson, 72; Lyle Angier, 74; Randy Murphy, 76

#5 Jim Delker, 5' 7"  
#8 Dennis LaBrie, 8 inches  
#12 Doug Beaumont, 4' 3"  
#15 Mike Miller, 3' 6"

## **DECEMBER 18, 2023**

NO EVENT, RAIN



## **DECEMBER 27, 2023**

NO EVENT, HOLIDAY BREAK



## DEC/JAN BIRTHDAYS

### DECEMBER

Bill Byrnes  
Cal Lai  
Doug Beaumont  
Ed Houk  
Harold Phister  
Jack Canavesio  
Joe Bisby  
Jud Moore  
Keith Toman  
Mike Larrick  
Norm Roberge  
Stan Moody  
Steve Gwiazdowski  
Terry Hartman  
Tim Zermeno  
Walt Irwin



### JANUARY

Chuck Hurst  
Edward Vacin  
James Hahn  
Leland O'Dell  
Louis Koch  
Robert Beksell  
Scott Miller

## SUNSHINE REPORT

**Gentlemen:**

**Please:** If you have any information about a member in need of our thoughts and prayers let me know and supply as many details as appropriate.

**STAY HEALTHY GENTLEMEN**







## *Cribbage*

Tuesdays at 9:00 am  
Paradise Golf Lounge  
Jim Evans, (707) 290-5149

## Lawn Bowling

Tuesday, Friday and Saturday at 12:30 pm  
Leasure Town greens  
Bob Baskel, (707) 446-9185



## Food Bank

Second Wednesday of the Month  
Solano Food Bank  
Rich Barker, (707) 428-6093,  
[hrbarker@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hrbarker@sbcglobal.net)

## Cache Creek

Third Friday of the Month  
Mike Mastrocovo, (707)-718-0970,  
[mooseman@mac.com](mailto:mooseman@mac.com)



# HUMOR



## COMEDY MINUTE

Happy New Years to all of you. Hope this New Year brings good health, joy and for all you golfers a drop in your handicaps and a Hole in One. Last month I discussed the old fashion way of “Home Schooling” with several examples and promised you that I would finish the info this month so here it is.

1---My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS. “SHUT YOUR MOUTH AND EAT YOUR SUPPER.”

2---My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION. “STOP ACTING LIKE YOUR FATHER.”

3---My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY. “IF I TOLD YOU ONCE I TOLD YOU A MILLION TIMES, DON’T EXAGGERATE.”

4---My father taught me about the CIRCLE OF LIFE. “BOY!!! I BROUGHT YOU INTO THIS WORLD AND I CAN TAKE YOU OUT!!”

5---My mother taught me about MEDICAL SCIENCE. “IF YOU DON’T STOP CROSSING YOUR EYES, THEY’RE GOING TO GET STUCK THAT WAY.”

6---My father taught me about JOB SAFETY AND OSHA. “WHEN THAT LAWN MOWER CUTS OF YOUR TOES OFF, DON’T COME RUNNING TO ME.”

7---My mother taught about the FACTS OF LIFE. “IF YOU DON’T EAT YOUR VEGETABLES, YOU’LL NEVER GROW UP.”

8---My mother taught me about my FAMILY ROOTS. “SHUT THE DOOR. DO YOU THINK YOU WERE BORN IN A BARN.”

9---My parents both taught me about ANTICIPATION. \*\*\*”JUST WAIT TILL WE GET HOME YOUNG MAN.” Or “DO YOU KIDS WANT ME TO PULL THIS CAR OVER?”

This is all for this month folks and as I’ve said before if you have any material you would want me to share with others just mail it to me at, [normatvaca@aol.com](mailto:normatvaca@aol.com)

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## MEMBERSHIP

### Saying Good-by to these Members:

Don Bestwick  
Tom Nolan  
Rod Keck



### **Current Members: 143**

**Note:** Please keep me informed about any changes in email addresses, telephone numbers, or address changes.

Thank You

**Ed Hoeft:**

**Membership Chair**

**Call: (707) 999-7944, leave voice mail**

**Email: sisrs106members@gmail.com**

## Branch Executive Committee Announcements

--Annual Dues pay-by date is  
31 January 2024

--Garland pickup at the  
Sacramento Valley National  
Cemetery is 13 Jan @ 7:30, meet  
in section 12

## **BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Big Sir	Mike Gardner	494-0369
Little Sir		
Secretary	Steve Donnell	540-538-7818
Treasurer	Steve Handel	718-2941
Membership	Ed Hoeft	330-6199
Director	Jim Evans	290-5149
Director	Mark Goltz	937 470-5632
Director	Tom Smith	449-0574
Director	Mark Foley	925-915-1275
Director	Tom Meissner	718-6087
Director	Terry Hartman	332-9136
Director	Ed Vacin	619-857-8778
Director	John Quinley	315-5243
Advisor	Dave Baker	422-1473
Advisor	Bob Brown	628-7370
Advisor	Rick Newman	999-6845
Advisor	Rich Forgie	801-230-0705

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Membership Database	Ed Hoeft	330-6199
Attendance	Jim Evans	425-6359
Newsletter Editor	Richard Barker	428-6093
Web Master	Richard Barker	428-6093
Golf Chairman	Dennis Dix	426-2478
Golf Handicaps	Ed Houk	422-0951
Golf Treasurer	Mikey Mastrocovo	718-0970
Program		
Sunshine	Jim Evans	425-6359
Cribbage	Jim Evans	425-6359
Lawn Bowling	Bob Beksell	446-9185
Activities	Mikey Mastrocovo	718-0970
Assistant Activities		