



# SIR Branch 96 Amador Amblings

LUNCH SERVED AT 11:30 AM SAINT SAVA MISSION, JACKSON, CA

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SIR BRANCH 96 MEETS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Lunch will be served at 11:30

If you cannot attend a luncheon meeting, please contact Rich Broderson at 296-1605

A Non Profit Organization For Retired Men Devoted To The Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement

March 2014

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### *Big Sir Report*

March is here and tax time is just around the corner. This year is just flying by, where has the time gone? The goal of "Sir Branch 96" is to have at least 70% attendance at our luncheons. We are very close to that number, and we should meet or exceed that 70%. If you can't make a luncheon please call and let us know. Also, support our opportunity drawing at the lunch, this helps out our two main events the "Picnic and Christmas Party". Branch 96 is only as strong as our members. I want to thank each and every member for your support and participation.

### How old is Grandpa?

One evening a grandson was talking to his grandfather about what he thought about the shootings at schools, the computer age, and just things in general. The grandfather replied, "Well, let me think a minute. I was born before: television, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frisbees, credit cards, laser beams, ball-point pens, Pizza Hut, McDonald's, instant coffee, pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers, clothes dryers and space travel. He continued, "When I was a boy, Ice cream cones and Pepsis were a nickel. A nickel would buy enough stamps to mail a letter and two postcards. You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600 and gas was 11 cents a gallon." You probably think this is a very old man. If so, you are in for a shock! This man would be only 69 years old.

### *Speaker of the Month- Adam Stratton*

I moved to Amador County in 1979 so my mom could be with her parents, Mary and JD Jones (builder of Bear River Resort). I went to Pine Grove School, Pioneer School, and Amador High School. I Graduated from Amador HS in 1987, then went to Fresno State. After Fresno, I moved to Sonora where I met my wife Syndee, who was a teacher. In 1995, We moved to Lompoc where I earned my teaching credential. In 1996, we moved home to Jackson when Syndee was hired to teach science at Amador HS. I taught 6th grade at Valley Springs Elementary and Jackson Junior High School, then Biology and Geometry at Amador High School. In 1997, I started an autobody supply distributorship, selling clearcoat, primer, sandpaper, etc. In 2003, we had a son, Paul, who is a fifth-grader at Pine Grove Elementary. After 17 years of "buying something for a dollar and selling it two," I felt compelled to put something I created out into the big world. With a strong science and sales background, I looked at several options, and decided I'd like to make fine spirits as Amador Distillery. After a long application and approval process, in October of 2013, we had our first batch of spirits on the shelves of Cost Less Foods in Jackson. From there, the business has grown to being available at over 20 locations from San Francisco to Tahoe, with several local businesses carrying the brand. Currently, we are being added to 3-5 businesses in Northern California per week.



*Last Month's Speaker of the Month: Mike Hewitt speaking*

about strokes and stroke prevention.



*Branch 96 Guest: Area Governor Jerry Morrow who spoke to the group and presented Past Big Sir Tom*

Turner with recognition.

# Travel Talk

**Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard & Cape Cod in the Fall' PLUS Rhode Island Mansions & Gardens** *September 5 - 12, 2014*. Tour includes: Home pick up and Airport transfers & round trip airfare; 12 meals, unpack only twice; three nights at the Crowne Plaza, Warwick, RI; four nights at the Holiday Inn, Hyannis, MA. Tour the Mansions of the Vanderbilt's and other rich and famous; The storybook island of Martha's Vineyard; Hyannisport and view the Korean and Kennedy War Memorials; enjoy the stunning island of Nantucket and much more. Escorted by Lee Suess, 209-296-2235 or baldeagle@volcano.net

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Tour Brochures are available at SIR luncheon meetings at the reception desk or on the branch #96 Web Site: [WWW.SIR96.org](http://WWW.SIR96.org)



**NEW  
MEMBER**



*Les Martin*

## Roster Changes

Members, please send any change in your membership information to Steve Petty: 296-1204 or [pettykids4@gmail.com](mailto:pettykids4@gmail.com)

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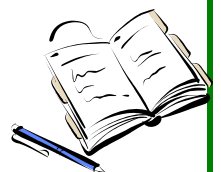
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**DELETE**  
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VALLEY SPRINGS CA. ( ATTENDANCE)

MARRAMA F. JOSEPH "JOE" # 148  
SUTTER CREEK CA. (RESIGNATION)



*March Menu*

**Corned Beef and  
Cabbage  
Potatoes  
Carrots  
Rolls and Butter  
Coffee and Dessert**

## MEMBERSHIP MONTHLY REPORT

Total Members: 191  
Present Members: 120  
Excused Members: 29  
Unexcused Members: 35  
Percent Present: 65  
Percent YTD: 62

# MARCH Birthdays



John Baldwin, Jerome Collins, Charles Forslund,  
Richard Fraser, Gregg Johnson, Rick Minter, Paul Murphy,  
Larry Parenti, Thomas Paul, James Price, Kerry Rhoades,  
Kermit Roberts, Tom Turner, Fraser West



## SIRS #96 RV Group

At our January luncheon/meeting, which we all had a great time, we came up with 5 definite trips and 6 maybe trips.

1. The Lakes-Chowchilla (Golf) 4/27-5/2 Trail Boss - Ed Maloney/Butch Fisher
2. Duck Island (Delta) 5/15-5/20 Trail Boss- Dick Anderson/Harm Higgins
3. Olema (Bay area) 6/22-6/27 Trail Boss - Ed Maloney/Butch Fisher
4. Benbow - 9/2-9/7 Trail Boss Mike/Bonnie Evans/??
5. Reno Air Races - 9/10-9/14 ?? Trail Boss - Ed Nunnally

### *Maybe Trips - No dates and no Trail Bosses yet*

1. Far Horizons 49er RV Park - Plymouth
2. Snug Harbor (Delta)
3. Sugar Barge (Delta)
4. Jackson Rancheria
5. Klamath River Trail Boss- John Wilkinson/Dick Anderson

### *2015 Trips*

1. Selkirk Loop (USA/Canada) July/August 2015 Trail Boss Butch Fisher

If anyone would like to join 96/15 RV Group, please contact me. I would like to welcome our new Assistant WagonMaster from SIR 15, Butch Fisher. Thank you Butch for stepping up to help me this year. I really appreciate it. Give some thought to the above trips, or any other you may be interested in. The year is shaping up nicely, but more trips would be awesome! Also plan ahead for the 2015 year.

### **Wagon Master**

Bob Bain

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### **Asst Wagon Master**

Butch Fisher

296-3776

## Fishing Club

The Bank fishing in our local waters is still the best choice. LAKE PARDEE opened

the 2014 season on February 14<sup>th</sup> and had great fishing for trout (15-17 pound), with bank fishing near the launching ramp being the best producer. The lake is down about 18 feet, but the launching ramp is ok. AMADOR LAKE has been fair and the courtesy docks are in the water again. LAKE



CAMANCHE was great for trout anglers and several big ones were caught at the South Shore

Trout Pond. The launching ramps are operational. NEW MELONES is fair with trout fishing the best choice. Tutletown and Glory Hole Point launching ramps are both open. Remember that we meet before each Luncheon Meeting outside the front door.

Dee

**Reservoir Status on March 1st**

Reservoir	% Capacity	% Average this date	Feet Down from full
Pardee	81	90	18
Camanche	49	82	66
New Hogan	30	66	36
New Malones	44	73	185



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and download the quarterly issue of Sir Happenings

**NEXT LUNCHEON MEETING:**

**Thursday March 6, 2014**

*The Branch Executive Committee meets on the First Thursday of the month in the American Legion Ambulance Training Room at 9:30 am. All interested members of SIR are invited to attend.*

**For a ride to the luncheon meetings you may contact in the Camanche Village, Ione area:**

**Bill Garrett-Phone 274-6793.**

**From the Pine Grove, Volcano, Pioneer area:**

**Dick Anderson Phone 223-3613**

**From Amador City, Drytown, Plymouth, and**

**Fiddletown Area:**

**Dee Davis- Phone 245-6180**

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