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SIR Branch #58 meets the third
Tuesday of each month at noon

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Big SIR Report

Sir Marshall West

Despite the terrible rains during February, we had a great luncheon last month with a terrific speaker. I learned a lot about the Two Rock Coast Guard station, things I never knew before. Thanks to all of you who braved the stormy weather to come to the lunch. And, the roasted chicken -- as done by our caterer -- was very tasty. We pretty much had a full house, with just a few SIRs missing due to their health issues. We hope they are feeling better.

Chapter 58 is looking forward to a great year. We look forward to see the Fondettes singing at our May Ladies Day event, after missing them in December due to one of the girls suffering laryngitis. And, of course, Derlin and his committee are offering some dynamite travel opportunities we can take advantage of in 2010.

Our major challenge, during the coming year, is to maintain and increase our own membership. I am excited to see each and every new member join our group, and I would ask each of you to think about a friend,

a family member, a neighbor, someone from your church, or another group in town that might have an interest in joining our group. You can always ask them to come as a guest for a look-see, so they can see first hand how our program is working. Also, if someone needs a ride to come to the lunch, please call and we will do our best to accommodate them.

Also, you will notice in Joe Augustin's financial statement that SIR #58 is solidly in the black! Your annual contribution makes that possible, and we thank you for that. Joe has come up with a budget for 2010, and we should end this year in good shape. If any of you still need to make your contribution please do so at the March luncheon, or if you need to just mail it to Sir Augustin so he can check your name off.

Thanks to all SIRs and I hope to see you in

Little SIR Report

Sir Jack Schipper

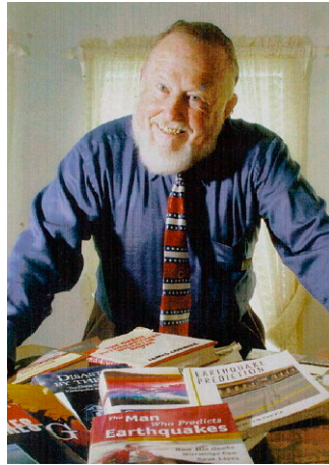
Our speaker the month of March will speak about earthquakes and answer the question: Where have the sea lions of Pier 39 gone? A geologist and long time student of earthquakes James Berkland began to publish his predictions in,

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SYZGY An Earthquake Newsletter, which has now completed 21 successful years, with an international readership.

Also since 1990, with entrepreneur, Ryan Wood, he has maintained Quakeline, a 900-line telephone information service that was originally nationwide, but now is restricted to the San Francisco Bay Area. His predictions have continued to score better than 75%, or three times the chance expectation of less than 25%.



Since mid-1997 he has developed an Internet Website (syzygyjob.com) with innovative Sitemaster, Will Fletcher. The site has been very popular, and often receives more than 200 hits per day, and more than 100 hits per hour following his five-hour interview on the Art Bell radio show. He has appeared on Frontline, Sightings, Strange Universe, Northwest Afternoon, Town Meeting, Bill Cosby Show, The Other Side, Two at Noon, Evening Matinee, Jeff Rense show, George Putnam Show, Mitch Battros Show, Laura Lee Show, and many other broadcasts. In 1991 he was featured in the Farmer's Almanac, and his annual predictions are now published in the Dot Tide Tables. In print since 2004 a book by Cal Orey entitled: The Man Who Predicts Earthquakes, Jim Berkland, Maverick Geologist chronicles his accomplishment and ideas.

Captain Barbara Schoen proved to be an interesting speaker at our February meeting. Thanks for all the positive feedback. We have some exciting programs planned for the upcoming months. Remember if you have suggestions for a program please do not hesitate to contact me.

Save the date of May 14th for the upcoming Ladies Day Luncheon. Plans are in the works to make this a special day for all. Tickets are on sale now for \$28.00 per person so put this on your calendar so you do not miss it. Our entertainment will be the Fondettes, the menu is set and will be available at our next luncheon.

See you at the March luncheon.

Trips and Tours

Sir Derlin German

Ready for takeoff

Mar 11, 2010 - A Day at the Races. A trip to Golden Gate Fields for a day of horse racing. Last chance to get into the starting gate. \$65 per person.

April 27-30, 2010 - Spring Sojourn - Santa Barbara, Solvang, San Luis Obispo and San Simeon. We have room for one couple!!

June 19-27, 2010 - Glacier Country Tour. We fly to Salt Lake City, then Deluxe Motor Coach with stops at Jackson, WY; Teton National Park; 2 night stay at The Old Faithful Inn in Yellowstone Park with guided tour of the Park; Bozeman/Helena, MT; Glacier National Park and guided tour; Coeur D'Alene, ID. Many side trips and tours, only \$2095 per person.

August 9-20, 2010 - Scandinavia cruise aboard the STAR PRINCESS featuring DENMARK, SWEDEN, FINLAND, RUSSIA, ESTONIA, POLAND, GERMANY.

Brochures are available with cost and complete details.

If interested, get signed up as the choice cabins are being taken!

Oct 20-22: Reno trip - Le Grand Cirque--an international company of champion acrobats and performers preceded by Lavish Dinner buffet. Brochure available at next meeting.

In the works: Looking at a stellar performance of Peter Pan in a 360-degree theater setting in San Francisco.

Possible mid-July performance.

Contact Derlin German 763-6162 for information or brochures for any of the above trips.

Happy landings

Golf:

Sir Steve Tasselmyer

Feb. 1, at Adobe Creek, Rained Out.

Feb. 8 at Rooster Run, Low Gross first flight Steve Tasselmyer, Low Net 2nd flight Ray Anderson.

Feb. 15 at Adobe Creek, Rained Out.

Feb.22 at Rooster Run, Closest to the Hole first flight Steve Tasselmyer, Low Net 2nd flight Art Adams.

The schedule is as follows:

March 8, Monday at Adobe Creek, regular start at 07:30 AM.

March 15, Monday at Rooster Run, regular start at 07:30 AM

March 22, Monday at Petaluma Country Club, shotgun start at 07:30 AM

March 29, Monday at Adobe Creek, regular start at 07:30 AM

April 5, Monday at Rooster Run, regular start at 07:30 AM.

On Wed. March 31 Branches 17 and 76 of Santa Rosa are having a golf tournament at Silverado on the South Course. Shotgun start at 9:00 AM. Cost is \$60.00 which includes green fees, cart, and prize money. If interested contact John Weaver, Golf Chairman, Branch 76 at (jlweaverj47@gmail.com.)

The State Golf Committee has a tournament coming up May 16th to May 21st at Coeur D'Alene, Idaho.

Roster addition and corrections:

Add to roster: New Member Lloyd J. Withers (Sandra) Badge 33
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228 Black Oak Dr.
Petaluma, CA, 94952
(Sponsor: John De Jong)
Please correct Roster:
Leon Jensen: Phone Number is 707 480-2995
Bob Kinsman address is 1702 Andover Way

New Member Lloyd Withers Badge #33



Lloyd joined our group at the February luncheon. He retired in 2002 from the Ross Valley School District and was director of maintenance and operation. In 1980 Lloyd received an award from the Marin Municipal Water District as a member of one of the first school districts in Marin County to use computer technology to conserve water. He and his wife Sandra both enjoy golf as well as hiking, gardening and travel. They have one daughter and one granddaughter. Lloyd was born in New York and raised in Arizona. A little known fact about him is that he used to race Porche's.

March Birthdays

Joseph Augustin	Lee Jensen
Glen MacKenzie	Norman Petersen
Mel Rohde	Leonard Sabourin
Robert Kinsman	Michael Coggiano
Tom Richards	Len Sabourin
Glenn MacKenzie	

The February edition of the State SIR Newsletter, "SIR Happenings" is now available on line at: <http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/index.htm> I hope you enjoy reading our latest edition.
Don MacGregor, Editor, SIR Happenings



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Next Meeting Tuesday
March 16th
 Menu - Corned beef & cabbage

Sunshine Report: Sir Rollie Leeburg

Bring a little cheer into these gentlemen’s lives. Give them a phone call or drop them a line. **Joe Grob** is a patient at Petaluma Care and Rehab.on B Street.. **Walt Ehlers** is in the hospital for diagnosis and treatment. **Vernon Garzoli** is home after receiving dialysis at the hospital.Look over the names on our inactive list. Find a name of someone you would like to visit. They need our support. If any of them could be brought to a meeting they would be welcome.

February Meeting Attendance:

Sir John De Jong

February meeting	
Members Present	69
Members Excused	9
Members Unexcused	12
Members ill	12
Deceased	0
Visitors	6
New Member	1
Resigned	0
Inactive	0
Re-instated	0
Total	107

Treasurer’s Report

Sir Joseph Augustin

Here is the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2010

Beginning month cash	\$ 1,621.39
January cash in:	
Contributions	\$590.00
Other (Raffle)	140.00
Luncheon	1,015.00
January cash out:	
Newsletter printing Jan Feb	\$188.00
Postage	43.55
Room rent (Vets)	188.00
Caterer (luncheon)	999.38
Depos. Mar. and Dec. event	450.00
Ending month cash balance	\$ 1,497.46