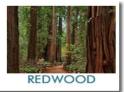


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## THE REDWOOD BARK NEWSLETTER FO

## For August 15, 2019 Meeting

**NEW LOCATION:** meeting at **LEGENDS** in the Bennett Valley Golf Course, 3328 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa, CA For **Excused Absences**, **Guests Lunches** or **Alternate Lunch Selection**, **please**, you must call or email **before** 10 am on the **Monday preceding** the meeting for an excused absence, **otherwise you will be charged for a meal**.

**NEW Contact:** Jim Gurke, 1jgurke@gmail.com or call 707-303-0989, leave a voice mail message.

## **Meeting Schedule**

Board Meeting: 10:00 am

Social Hour: 11:00 am

Lunch: 12:00 noon

Speaker: Matt Stevens, Community and Media Relations Manager for the SMART train.

Adjourn by: 1:30 pm

Please place your badge into the collection buckets when leaving through the side door to the parking lot.

Big Sir Dennis Mangan Message dfmangan@gmail.com 301-717-6234

*That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind.* Neil Armstrong.



The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing of humans on the moon re-awakened my fascination with space travel. Remember the thrill of watching B/ W TV images of rockets blasting off from Cape Canaveral, FL. The space programs begun in the 1960s inspired me and a generation of young men and women to study various areas of science.

But was it worth it? Many thought Apollo was a waste of money. What have we learned from the Apollo programs? One thing for me is that my grandmother was wrong: the lunar landing was not a hoax...it really did happen. My granny went to her grave never accepting the fact that Neil Armstrong was on the moon and not in a Hollywood studio. (When science becomes complex, conspiracy theories pop up, such as vaccines cause autism, humans do not contribute to climate change, or evolution is a myth.)

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Lunch Menu Asian noodle salad, mixed green salad, Teriyaki chicken, roasted broccoli Dinner rolls and butter Chocolate cake

**Beverages:** Regular or decaf coffee, iced tea or water. Beer, wine and mixed drinks, and free sodas are available at the bar.

"Gluten-free cheeseburger patty w/o bun for Roy."



#### Little Sir George Traverso's Message geosan@sbcglobal.net 528-6987

As we come to the closing months of the summer, I wish to recall some lasting memories that as I was growing up come to

mind and I would like to share with you.

When I was about nine years old at St. Rose School, September was a frightening month filled with lots on nervous anxiety. Anticipating the start of a new school year, I realized that a new weekly routine would soon be upon me and the fond summer memories that I enjoyed would soon fade away.

Back in the "old days" of the 1950's schools usually re-opened shortly after Labor Day, at the first week of September. I recall that we started school on the Tuesday following Labor Day. After a few days passed, all the California schools celebrated Admission Day and we enjoyed a quick respite from the projected nine months of studying. California Admission Day is September 9, 1850. During the past years a California city was selected to host a parade in honor of our State joining the Union. Santa Rosa received that honor one year in the late 1950's. As a result, my classmates and I enjoyed watching that spectacle (continued on page 2)

## SIR Luther Burbank Branch 17 is in Area 10 of Region 3. The following is a list of your 2019 Officers and Directors.

OFFICERS: Big Sir: Dennis Mangan Little Sir: George Traverso Secretary: Jim Gurke Asset. Sectr'y: Kurt Wehrmeister Treasurer: Glenn Seime Asset. Treasurer: Al Petrie Newsletter Editor: Jim Fenstermaker .	EMAIL: dfmangan@gmail.com geosan@sbcglobal.net 1jgurke@gmail.com kurtwehrmeister@gmail.com gseime@sbcglobal.net alpetrie7@aol.com sirsrbrn17@gmail.com	PHONE: 301-717-6234 707-528-6987 707-843-3464 630-461-2715 707-537-5360 707-545-7208 707-548-3346	DIRECTORS: Gary Bondi Mark Burchill Rich de Lambert Ken Johnson Chris Nolan Paul Willihnganz WEBMASTERS: Dennis Mangan Mark Burchill Jim Fenstermaker
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**NEW CONTACT for Excused absences** Attendance: Jim Gurke, Email to: 1jgurke@gmail.com or call: 707-303-0989 Please leave a message if no answer

#### **Big Sir** Message

(continued from page 1) The 1969 moon landing dramatically shaped our lives in countless ways. Here are some of the outcomes. 1) A vision of American Democracy as the superior form of government. The USSR was considered inferior to the USA in technology and ambition. 2) Computer chips used in our electronic devices. 3) Liquid-cooled garments for fire fighters and race car drivers. 4) Safer athletic equipment that supports and protects our bodies. 5) NASA as a credible government agency. 6) Cordless tools. 7) Freeze-dried rations edible without refrigeration. 8) MRI and CAT scan digital imaging used to see soft and hard tissue problems. 9) Programmable pacemakers to keep hearts beating.

Next time you look at your cell phone, start your car, see firefighters in action, swipe your credit card, or see a medical image of your body, be thankful that my grandmother was wrong and thousands of scientists worked hard to get it right!

#### **Program for Aug 15, 2019**

Our speaker will be Matt Stevens. He has been facil-

itating SMART community outreach programs since 2001, first as a consultant, then as a staff member when he was hired full time in 2012 by SMART.

With all the media news lately, I believe that it should be an interesting and informative talk. Maybe we will learn more about when the line will be extended north



along with extending the tax for another several years.

In his spare time, Matt plays bass in a rock band, is a photographer, loves to travel, and is a partner in a relic fishing resort in Northern Idaho. Matt is a father of two grown children and has lived in the Sebastopol area for over 37 years. (Article by George Traverso)

**Robert Reuther** 

Little Sir Message

**AREA 10 GOVERNOR** 

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**REGION 3 DIRECTOR** 

**Dennis Pangburn** 

as a "day off" from school. Today, my grandchildren begin their school year in the middle of August. So, looking back, my "lazy summer vacation" would have been cut short.

Other recollections of the Septembers of my youth revolve around picking of prunes. Today, I don't think that there is a living prune (or plum) tree in Sonoma County. Sunsweet in Healdsburg was a major packer of the crop and now most of the processing and growing is centered in the Central Valley, north of Sacramento. At one time, Sonoma County was a leading dairy producer and many crops were on our "county's table." Prunes, walnuts, hops, apples, olives and pears made up the majority of the county's bounty. Today we are blessed with the abundant grape harvests that make our county a major world-class wine producer. We sometimes humorously refer to our neighbor to the East as a car part maker.

But with all kidding aside, prune picking was a hot, dusty and demanding job. I enjoyed working at the many prune ranches of my grandfather's friends for several years. In September 1961, I began my tenth grade as a sophomore at Montgomery High. Believe it or not, but our first day of school was postponed because of prune harvesting when many young people were needed and most looked forward to make some extra summer money.

Those were the days: Santa Rosa was smaller, most of the kids picked prunes and for me, a new school year was a little foreboding!

Another new feature has been added to the website. On the "Home" page, click on the "News" tab, scroll to the bottom of the screen, click on the "Speakers" tab. Open the PDF file to view all of the Speakers/ Programs that are scheduled for this year!

# **ACTIVITIES:**

#### **Bocce:**

Five gentlemen enjoyed some tasty wine and a few rounds of Bocce among the vineyards at Hook & Ladder Winery in July. The weather was warm, but not too warm, and the courts were shaded by



some healthy Redwood trees. We even gave some assistance on the finer points of Bocce to the fa mily from Ohio that followed our group on the court.

On **Tue., August 27<sup>th</sup>**, the SIR Bocce group will meet at the professional Bocce courts on Juilliard Park. The courts are on A Street, just south of downtown Santa Rosa. Since the leagues take over the courts about 4 pm, we'll start a bit earlier than usual, at 2 pm.

If you are interested, please contact Mark Burchill, at: <u>SIRMarkB@sonic.net</u>

## **Bowling**:

If you have an interest in joining the SIR bowling league, or just want to see how Mike is progressing, come-on-down to Double Decker Lanes in Rohnert Park any **Monday** 



**at 10:00 am.** Ask for the SIR bowling group. (*Remember, it's not a weekly commitment--just come when you can.*) Whether you are a good bowler or a beginner, you are welcome.

For more information call Mike Heinzelman at **579-6615** or email to: mdheinz2@gmail.com.

## **Boys' Night Out**:

(Article by Don Malvestiti)

Seventeen Sir members made it to Charlie's at the Windsor golf course for our July night out. Dinner took awhile to prepare but the time was spent listening to the golfers reliving their game. Of course there were many tall tales about almost making a hole in one or just missing the 30 foot put. Once again, everyone had a good time.

The next BNO will be at the **Bear Republic Brewery Company**, 5000 Roberts Lake Road, R/P on **Wednesday**, **August 14<sup>th</sup>**. Plan to join us by 5:30 pm for drinks, order dinner by 6:00 pm.

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## Boys' Night Out:

#### (continued)

Bear Republic was established in 1995 in Healdsburg and grew to a popular brewery and restaurant. In 2006 they opened Factory Five Brewery in Cloverdale. In Sept. 2017, the Rohnert Park location opened in the former Latitudes facilities which has a great outdoor dining area and view of the lake area.

For more information check out their website at: **www.bearrepublic.com/rohnert-park-brewpub**/ or call 707-585-2722.

# **Reservations are a must!**

Contact Don at <u>malvestitidon485@gmail.com</u> or call him at 539-0677, by Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Leave a message if he does not answer.

#### **Bridge:**

Bridge is an important activity with many of our members not only within our own branch but with participation of members



from other branches in our area. Al Black, the Chairman for many years has decided to move down to the Santa Barbara area. So now Bridge activities will be coordinated by **new** chairmen **Pete Mc Grath**, email at: **pmcgrath@sonic.net**. or call: 579-8133. for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays and Jim Park at: **jcpark38@sbcglobal.net** or call him at 578-4255 for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays.

Bridge days scheduled this month for play at Legends Restaurant in Bennett Valley starting at **10:00 am** on **Tuesdays**, **August** 6<sup>th</sup>, **13<sup>th</sup>**. **20<sup>th</sup>**, & **27<sup>th</sup>**. If in doubt, contact Mike Heinzelman at **mdheinz2@gmail.com.** or at 579-6615.

## **Camera Club:**

#### (Article by Rich Osborne)

The SIR Camera Club has been launched. Our kickoff meeting included two ladies and five men that attended. We shared some great pictures. We created Instagram accounts, learned how to use it to take photos and videos to share.

Our remaining issue is where to hold our monthly meetings. At this time, we have not finalized a spot but hope to have more information before the next lunch meeting. In the meantime, start thinking about things you'd like learn about and places you want to go to take pictures. Thanks, Rich Osborne. richosborne@outlook.com or 303-304-9262

## **Couples' Night Out:**

(Article by Fred Rose)

Sorry, haven't been able to nail anything down just yet! I will keep you informed as soon as a decision is made.

Thanks for your patience! Fred

# **Reservations are a must!**

Contact Fred Rose: fredicrose@comcast.net

or call **548-5797** to make your reservations by **Friday**, **August 16**<sup>th</sup>. Cocktails at 5:00, dinner at 5:30 pm.

See bottom of page 8 for recap of CNO at Kirin, along with pictures!

# Fishing:

(Article by Don Salazar)

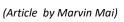
If you are interested in arranging a fishing and/ or camping outing with our fishing expert, then you

need to contact **Don Salazar** at **545-0873**, <sup>6</sup> he does **NOT** have an email, but his phone works just fine. Better



yet, have a talk with him at the Aug 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, you'll be glad you did!

## **GLOBAL FORUM:**



The Global Forum meeting is on **Friday**, **August 9<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am. The normal World Wide range of topics possibilities are:

Mexico's progress on curbing illegal migration. Japan's election and pending reform to their Self-Defense Force. Brexit, the Boris way? And as always Iran, Iraq and the middle east along with China/



Vietnam naval conflict, plus more topics during these interesting times.

All Sir members are invited to join this monthly confab at **4743 Woodview Drive.** 

(South on Summerfield Rd to the end, turn left up the hill about 1/3 mile, the house is on the left.) PARK IN THE DRIVEWAY OR IN THE BAY ACROSS THE STREET, AS THERE IS NO PARKING ON THE STREET. Should you have any questions, please email Marvin at maimarvin57@gmail.com or call him at 545-2224. **Golf:** 

# Just think of it. With a little bit of practice,



# this could be you.

Come join us for a fun day of golf.

The place to be is the Bennett Valley

Golf Course - The time to be there is

Monday mornings starting at 8:30.

# Hope to see you all out there.

Until next time, Good Golfing.

Roy Thuestad roymond@comcast.net 975-4406

# The Poem of the month for August IN AUGUST

by Paul Laurence Dunbar When August days are hot an' dry, When burning copper is the sky, I 'd rather fish than feast or fly In airy realms serene and high.

I 'd take a suit not made for looks, Some easily digested books, Some flies, some lines, some bait, some hooks, Then would I seek the bays and brooks.

I would eschew mine every task, In Nature's smiles my soul should bask, And I methinks no more could ask, Except--perhaps--one little flask.

In case of accident, you know, Or should the wind come on to blow, Or I be chilled or capsized, so, A flask would be the only go.

Then could I spend a happy time,--A bit of sport, a bit of rhyme (A bit of lemon, or of lime, To make my bottle's contents prime).

When August days are hot an' dry, I won't sit by an' sigh or die, I 'll get my bottle (on the sly) And go ahead, and fish, and lie!

### POKER FEST:

(Article by Steve Edelstein)

We have more players who are willing to play twice a month. We would be willing to help you learn how to play. It's fun and good way to meet your fellow Sir members. Please call Steve to let him know are planning to attend.



The dates are **Thursdays**, **August 8<sup>th</sup>** and **??<sup>th</sup>**, from **12:30 pm to 4:00 pm**, at **Legends** in the Bennett Valley Golf Course.

Contact **Steve Edelstein** by email at: **1hatisland@gmail.com** or call **206-8084**. Please leave a message, I will return your call.

## List of the August Birthdays

Rich de Lambert Dave Mink Gary Lazzarini Bill Traverso



# **Travel Golf**

(article by Roy Thuestad)

August is a busy month for Travel Golf. Look ahead and clear your calendars, then get ready for some golf.

We'll be playing the **Windsor Golf Course** on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Streams, ponds and well placed bunkers make this an interesting but challenging course. A cold beer at Charlie's afterwards, makes it rewarding. Included in the package are: green fees, shared cart, and prize fund. **Jim Gurke** will be hosting this event but you'll need to sign-up with **Bob Nadell** at: **nadellb@sbcglobal.net**. Time is of the essence, so sign-up and hand deliver your payment to Jim Gurke on the day of play.

The **7th Annual Sebastopol Golf & BBQ** is coming up on August 22nd. This is a fun-filled event which has become a tradition you won't want to miss out on. I want to remind everyone that there are only five golf carts available for 10 shared riders. We'll reserve these carts on a first come - first served basis for those who **NEED** a cart to play. If riding in a cart is something you like to do rather than need to do -- *plan on walking*. **Roy Thuestad** is hosting this event so send him an email at: **roymond@comcast.net** to reserve a cart early, or be sure to make a note of it when you see the signup sheet in the ProShop. *Oh, by the way, ladies, significant others and prospective SIR guests are invited also.* 

# Windsor \$50.

Thursday, August 8 - 9:00 am <u>http://www.windsorgolf.com/</u> Includes: Greens fee, shared cart, prize fund.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Sebastopol Golf & BBQ \$25

Thursday, August 22 - 8:30 am Shotgun Start Includes: walking rate green fees and prize fund. Shared carts are extra.

The cost of the BBQ is on us and is our way of saying thanks for being an active golf club member.

# Paradise Valley Yocha Dehe Cache Creek Casino Hotel Stay & Play \$ 285

Wed & Thur, Oct 9 & 10

based on dbl. occupancy and two golfers w/shared cart. \*add \$110 single occupancy with one golfer in single cart.

Paradise Valley - Wed, Oct 9 - 10:00 am

https://www.fairfieldgolf.com/

Cache Creek Casino Hotel Check in:-Oct 9 4:00 pm <u>https://www.cachecreek.com/</u>

Yocha Dehe-Thurs., Oct 10 - 9:00 am https://yochadehegolfclub.com/

#### Wine & Beer Appreciation: (Article by Gary Bondi)

We have put our wine. beer and spirits events on hold for a short while. August already has a busy schedule, the usual CNO, BNO, Monday golf plus two other golf outings and the other regularly scheduled events along with our regular meeting. So, we are taking a break and will look to schedule something in early September.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our past events and thank all of you fellow Sir members and your guests for making them successful and great social outings. In the meantime, keep on enjoying those fine wines, beers and spirits until we get together again

Thank you, Gary Bondi



## THE FAMOUS **BEACH BLANKET BABYLON** SHOW IN SAN FRANCISCO IS CLOSING!

### **SO LET'S GO!!!**

Wednesday, OCTOBER 23<sup>™</sup> 8:00 PM

TICKETS ARE \$59 EACH.

Seating is Front Cabaret

#### DEADLINE FOR TICKETS SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

CONTACT FRED ROSE 707-579-3582 (leave a message) or fredricrose@comcast.net

**Mail** checks payable to Fred Rose and mail them to: 2105 Contra Costa Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95405-8108

We are planning on a round trip bus, cost will vary from \$50 to \$35 each depending on number of passengers going and size of the bus.

Plans for a pre-show dinner is also on the agenda.



#### TRANSCENDENCE'S

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# BROADWAY UNDER THE STARS

On Sunday August 25, 2019, we are planning a group activity to see Those Dancin' Feet produced by Transcendence Theatre's "Broadway Under the Stars" at Jack London State Historic Park.

This will be the closing night for this show with a Broadway cast who will be singing and dancing and whirling through decades of dance. Plus, you will be experiencing the magic of Broadway while looking out at a hillside covered in vines and redwoods from the ruins of a 19th century winery. No need to fly and go to New York City, London England, or L.A., as this is in your backyard in Glen Ellen. The event is open to all Sirs, spouses, significant others, and guests.

The schedule that is planned is to arrive about 5 pm or so when the theatre opens and picnic together before the show and enjoy live music. You can bring your own food or buy food from the food trucks on site. Beer and wine can be purchased but not brought in. The show starts at 7:30 pm. and ends around 10:00 pm with a 15-minute intermission.

No need to worry about walking with a recent knee or hip replacement, as there are golf carts for you and your group to be driven to the picnic and theatre area. Just ask for an accessibility golf cart when driving up the entry road to the park.

We have secured a substantial discount with the theatre and they have provided us with a concierge who will help you book your tickets over the phone. Simply visit <u>www.SIRSBroadway.com</u> and fill out the reservation form. Our dedicated Sales Coordinator Lorenzo Alviso will then call you directly to book your tickets.

You may also reach out to Lorenzo directly at LAlviso@TTCSonoma.org or call 877-424-1414 Ext 2 to purchase your tickets.

The show is expected to sell out quickly so reserve your tickets **today** and make plans to come and enjoy! (Article by Robert Reuther)

#### 2019 Nominating Committee for 2020 Officers,

Bob Reuther Chair, Ted Scapeccia, and Jim Gurke, have proposed the following slate of nominations who have accepted if elected:

Big SIR: George Traverso

Little SIR: Gary Bondi

Secretary: Kurt Wehrmeister

**Assistant Secretary:** Jim Gurke

Treasurer: Glenn Seime

Assistant Treasurer: Al Petrie

**Directors:** Gordon Boultbee, Paul Willihnganz, Chris Nolan, Rich de Lambert, Ken Johnson

According to Procedure 34, the committee must serve the nominees on the Big Sir and BEC by May 31, 2019. The nominees shall then be published in the July Branch Bulletin The Redwood Bark. The election of officers shall occur in August. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at that time.

## Calendar of SIR Events for Aug 2019

Details and contact information is available on the SIR 17 website: http://www.sir17.org/calendar-of-events.html Any Monday Golf at BVGC

Any Monday **Bowling**, Double Decker Lanes, R/P, 10 am

Aug 6 Bridge Club, Legends, BVGC, 10:00 am

- Aug 8 Traveling Golf, Windsor Golf Course, 9:00 am
- Aug 8 Poker Fest, Legends, BVGC, 12:30 pm
- Aug 9 Global Forum, Marvin Mai's place, 10:00 am
- Aug 9 Sir Information Booth, Sonoma County Fair, 11 to 3
- Aug 13 Bridge Club, Legends, BVGC, 10:00 am
- Aug 14 BNO, Bear Republic Brewery, R/P, 5:30 pm
- Aug 15 SIR BEC Meeting, Legends, BVGC, 10:00 am
- Aug 15 SIR Meeting/Luncheon, Legends, BVGC, 11:00 am
- Aug 20 Bridge Club, Legends, BVGC, 10:00 am
- Aug 22 Sebastopol Golf & BBQ, 8:30 am
- Aug 22 CNO, at ???, Cocktails at 5:00, Dinner at 5:30 pm
- Aug 25 Broadway Under the Stars, 7:30 pm
- Aug 27 Bridge Club, Legends, BVGC, 10:00 am
- Aug ?? Poker Fest, Legends, BVGC, 12:30 pm

## Joke of the day



Hear about the new restaurant called Karma? No, what is it about? Well, for one thing there is **NO** menu, you get whatever you deserve!

## **Membership Relations in JULY**

At our July 18<sup>th</sup> lunch the attendance was a little better than last month, as we had 53 members, no guests and one speaker. There were 25 members that were excused and only three were unexcused.

Three new members were inducted: Badge #27 Terry Freeman was sponsored by #90 Fred Rose, #34 Tom Sparrowe was sponsored by #90 Fred Rose, and #91 Gary Lazzarini has returned after a few years absence and was sponsored by #111 Bob Vidalin.

Member, #46 Jerry Sanchietti passed away on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Members #107 Ken Clark, #170 Al Black and #173 Ron Schultz all resigned.

We now have a total of 81 members.



## **New Member** Welcome! #27 Terry Freeman

Terry is married to Cathy and they have two adult children living in the Portland area.

Terry moved to the bay area in 1986 and retired in January 2014.

Terry has lots of interests: Astronomy, backgammon, bocce, computers, dining out, golf and billiards.



## **New Member** Welcome! #34 Tom Sparrowe

Tom is married to Mary Ellen and he has one adult daughter.

Tom has lived in the Santa Rosa area for the last five years and just retired last December.

Tom also has lots of interests: bocce, cooking, photography, dining out, fishing, gardening and wine tasting.

## **Returning New Member #91 Gary Lazzarini**



Gary first joined in March 2010, then Welcome! work kept interfering with Friday meetings, so he resigned in January 2015.

Like life, things change and we are happy to have him back with us now.

His interests, as you know, are baseball, golf and poker.

What was the first novel ever written on a typewriter? Tom Sawyer

## **Recap of the July 18<sup>th</sup> Program:**

Our July speaker was Luis Guiterriz who spoke

about his experiences in coming to the United States when he was fourteen years old. He had a goal in mind and today he is associated with a large landscaping firm and is receiving his U.S. citizenship in the coming months...truly a great success story. Welcome Luis!



(by George Traverso)

#### Sir Publicity:

We are having a table at the **Sonoma County Fair, Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**, the free Senior Day, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm to promote our Sir organization. We need three or more Sir members to take turns during the day at the table with our new larger size Sir poster and literature. If you can spare a couple of hours to spend spreading the word about our Sir organization to seniors, this would be great. The table will be in the Shade Park area, behind the Grace Pavilion, just off the Highway 12 entrance. Contact Lance at: **lance@pon.net** (put Sir in the heading) Thanks, Lance Thompson

#### An apology to Sir 17 members

I want to personally apologize for the July luncheon at Legends. Through a scheduling error by the restaurant, our regular banquet room was unavailable and we were moved to the public dining room. Unfortunately, a tsunami of things went wrong. The sound system was inadequate, there were not enough tables set up to accommodate our members and guests, the guys working the ticket lines were cramped for space, noise from the bar on the other side of the curtain was a distraction, the food ran out and our meeting went over time.

Our August meeting will once again be in the Legends banquet room. We will work hard to make sure this meeting goes more smoothly. **Thank you for your patience and understanding**. Dennis Mangan, Big Sir

#### NON-RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION

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The July CNO was enjoyed by 24 Sir members and their guests. We filled the entire room to the left of the entry. The seating arrangement of separate tables did help for better conversations but the noise level was high. Still, overall, we all really enjoyed it. The food was very good as usual and a wide selection was chosen by all that were attended. This was an excellent choice of location, Fred!



A special **Thank You** to members Gordon Boultbee and others for helping me by spotting all my errors in grammar, punctuation, spelling and any other boo-boos I have made before the final edition goes to press and you see it. Jim, the Editor