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OCTOBER 2025 Newsletter - Turlock Branch #143

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# Message From The Big Sir...

**Greetings, fellow SIR members!** 

Well, it's official. The summer heat is on its last legs, and the air is getting that crisp, perfect quality. And fall is in the air as we enter our last quarter of 2025!

It's the time of year when we pull out our sweaters, start enjoying the football games, and thank our lucky

stars we don't live in a world without Octobers! So, as we transition from heat strokes to cozy nights, let's remember all the good stuff ahead.

October 1st – Elder persons Day – That is us!!

October Dine Out – October 9th Join your fellow SIRs and their lovely ladies for a dine out night at Center Street Grill. Be sure to contact Gary Toombs at 209-604-8406, to let him know if you plan to attend. Happy hour is 5:30 – 6:00 and dinner is at 6:00. The food is fantastic, the company even better, and we guarantee a laugh or two! The address is 120 N Center Street in Turlock! We hope you will join us!

October 13 - Columbus Day / Indigenous People's Day

October 31 – Halloween – time for spooky fun and sweet treats!

November 20th Play in Sonora – (planning ahead) Get ready to rock and roll!! The Sierra Repertory Theater is currently running the play, "Million Dollar Quartet," and our SIR trip is scheduled for Thursday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m. Dinner location to be determined, will be afterward at 4:30 p.m. KUDOS to Ken Kajioka for putting this together for us! Please send a check for \$30 / person to Leonard Zumstein to secure your spot. His address is: 2645 Mira Flores, Turlock, CA 95380. This hilarious and heartwarming musical is an unforgettable show! You won't want to miss it!

December 17th Ladies Luncheon – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Covenant Village A Friendly Reminder to send a check to Leonard Zumstein for \$20/ person to pay for the annual December Ladies Luncheon. You can pay Leonard at the Dine out, the monthly luncheon or send your check directly to him NO LATER THAN December 1st. We are going to enjoy entertainment by the YES Company. The director of the company will do a short presentation about the history of YES Company as well. We will meet at Covenant Village on 2125 North Olive Avenue, in BERG hall. PLEASE plan to carpool as parking is limited.

### Reminder: A little Something for the New Guys-

Remember our motto: always carry two business cards in your wallet. You never know when you'll meet someone who might be interested in joining SIR. It's a simple way to help our brotherhood grow and ensure we spread the good news about how great our organization is. We have gentlemen out there who can benefit from being a part of SIR.

Also, our tri-fold flyers explain everything about our SIR organization. Keep one handy!

### To open the SIR BRANCH 143 WEB-SITE Click on QR Code.



### REMEMBER SIR LUNCHEON

11:00 am - Sir Lunch meeting Wednesday, OCTOBER 15th - WILL BE HELD AT BLACK BEAR DINER, doors open at 10:30.

NOTE: When you arrive at Black Bear Diner Order your food as soon as possible. Our speaker will start at 12 noon, also please try to finish your meal by 12 noon.

Luncheon Location: BLACK BEAR DINER
3050 N. Tegner Rd., Turlock



## SIR TRAVEL

**Travel Chairman John Cardoza** 





# 16 NIGHT HAWAIIAN ISLANDS CRUISE

### ABOARD THE RUBY PRINCESS ROUND TRIP SAN FRANCISCO OCTOBER 23 to NOVEMBER 8, 2026





### **PORTS OF CALL**

Hilo, Big Island/Kahuli, Maui/Honolulu, Oahu/ Nawiliwili, Kauai and Ensenada, Mexico



A \$500 pp deposit is required to reserve a cabin.

### **TOUR FEATURES:**

Round Trip from Turlock and Modesto Area to Cruise Terminal in San Francisco. **16 Night HAWAIIAN ISLANDS CRUISE** aboard the **RUBY PRINCESS** including shipboard meals, entertainment and shipboard activities. Includes Port Taxes.



STATEROOMS & PRICES:
OCEAN VIEW \$3750 PP DBL. BALCONY BB \$4790 PP DBL MINI-SUITE MB \$6055 PP DBL



QUESTIONS? Please contact John Cardoza (209) 483-7722

# **SIR 143 - 2025 OFFICERS**

### **Working For You!**



Roger Jackson Big Sir



Dan Gorman Little Sir



Greg Back Secretary/Web Master



Rock Libby Assistant Secretary



Leonard Zumstein Treasurer



John Cardoza
Travel Chairman



Mike Johnson Membership



Fred Courter Newsletter



Vern Segars
Assistant Treasurer



Gary Toombs
Dine Out



2125 Olive Avenue, Turlock, CA Parking is limited...PLEASE Carpool

### **SIR Annual Meeting**

Wednesday, December 17, 2025 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

### LUNCH

Provided by: Covenant Living of Turlock

### Presentation by: YES COMPANY

Send a check payable to SIR \$20 / person To: Leonard Zumstein 2645 Mira Flores Turlock, CA 95380 No later than December 1st



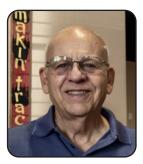
### **NEXT BEC MEETING**

to be held at

MY GARDEN CAFE FRIDAY OCTOBER 17th

Meeting Starts at 8:30am
Be there early for breakfast starting at 7:30am

### SIR BRANCH #143 BOWLING EVERY TUESDAY, 1pm \$14



at McHenry Bowl CONTACT: Tom Mickelson 209-632-2917

# Turlock SIR #143 BEC Meeting My Garden Cafe, Turlock SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 - 8:30AM

**Officers Present:** Bob Holly, Greg Back, Leonard Zumstein, Kevin Byrne, Gary Toombs, Fred Courter, John Cardoza, Mike Johnson, Dan Gorman.

Members/Guests Present: Rick Kindle

Quorum: Secretary Greg Back reported that a quorum is present.

**Minutes from Previous Meeting:** Motion to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter by Leonard Zumstein and seconded by John Cardoza. Motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Leonard Zumstein reviewed Form 28 from last month and reported –

Checking = \$4,528.42 Cash on hand = \$275.00 Receipts = \$70.00 Expenditures = \$153.63

Expenses submitted for reimbursement: Mike Johnson \$17.60 for postage, Greg Back \$31.20 for Constant Contact subscription, Fred Courter \$24.70 for postage/printing, Rick Kindle \$100.00 for gift cards recruiting event raffle prizes. Total reimbursements for approval \$173.50. Motion to approve these reimburesements by Bob Holly and second by Dan Gorman. Motion carried unanimously. After discussion there was a motion by Leonard Zumstein to drop members whose dues were still unpaid for the year. Second by John Cardoza. Motion carried unanimously. We now have 82 paid members on the roster and that number will be used by State SIR to calculate our branch quarterly assessments for 2026.

Membership Report: Chairman Mike Johnson reported that we had 42 members, 5 guests and 1 speaker for a total of 48 at our September luncheon meeting. David Land, Jim McRoberts and Roger Soderstrom took the membership pledge and were formally inducted into SIR at the September lunch. Mike reported that 4 new membership applications have been received from Paul Milligan, repeat member Roland Blevins, Mike Elstad and Eddie Fuentes. After review of the applications by the BEC Bob Holly moved to approve the new members. Second by Fred Courter. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Committee Reports**

**Bocce Ball:** Chairman Mike Johnson reported that bocce ball is played at the Dust Bowl on the 1rst, 3rd and 5th Fridays of the month at 9am except BEC meeting days when start is at 10am.

**Golf:** Chairman Ken Kajioka not present, but Greg Back reported on "hacker's golf" being played on Senior Thursdays at River Oaks golf course (green fees at half price).

**Travel:** Chairman John Cardoza reported on the New Orleans – Memphis river cruise departing September 30.

**RV:** Wagon Master Roger Jackson not present but Rick Kindle reported on the Moss Landing trip (10 rigs signed up) and the Jackson Rancheria trip next spring. Full details are in the newsletter.

**Dine Out/Other Activities:** Chairman Gary Toombs reported the next Dine Out will be October 9 at the Center Street Grill. There was also discussion of hosting a multi-branch catered dinner event at Castle Noz next year with neighboring SIR branches being invited to attend.

**Recruitment and Publicity:** Chairman Rick Kindle reported there was a good turnout at the Denair Farm and Family Festival recruiting event.

#### **Old Business:**

Little SIR Dan Gorman reviewed the schedule of branch operations and Greg Back reported that Form 20 for 2026 has been submitted online. Dan Gorman reported on our October program will be by Lori Crivelli on Medicare and the November program will be a veterans tribute by Rick Kindle. The program for the December Chistmas luncheon is still tbd. Dan also discussed speakers for 2026 and reported that the Turlock Chief of Police is scheduled for January and that our Area 18 Representative Anthony Butera offered to speak on financial planning on a date still tbd. More to follow.

### **New Business:**

Due to closure of the New Town Café our Christmas lunch needs to move to a new venue. Roger Jackson had discussions with Covenant Living who offered to host our luncheon at no charge to us. The luncheon would be on our regular third Wednesday meeting day December 17. Luncheon tickets to be \$20/person with proceeds from each ticket to be split \$5 to Yes Company, \$5 to Covenant Living and \$10 to our branch for gift cards/raffle prizes for recruiting events. Motion to approve by Leondard Zumstein with second by Bob Holly. Motion carried with one no vote by Dan Gorman. Roger Jackson will follow up with Covenant Living to confirm.

Rick Kindle reported on the Area 18 meeting. A marketing plan has been developed by the new State SIR Marketing Director. The was discussion about using yard signs for our members to promote SIR. The signs can be purchased for ~\$7 each for quantity of 40 (\$280 total). Motion to approve the yard sign expenditure by Leonard Zumstein with second by Fred Courter. Motion carried unanimously. Rick also discussed a new sign to be posted at our luncheons or other events. Motion to approve spending up to \$150.00 when artwork is finalized by Mike Johnson with second by Leonard Zumstein. Motion carried unanimously.

Leonard Zumstein brought up the issue of branch dues amount for next year. After short discussion it was decided to continue the discussion next month.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Greg Back and seconded by Bob Holly. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:40am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Greg Back.



# What's Happening at the SIR #143

John Cardoza presenting a \$50 gift card to Eddie Fuentes from the Denair Farm & Family Festival.





Dan Gorman presenting award to our speaker
Dr. Edward
Erickson, PhD
with Gary Potter
looking on.



Rick Kindle with Casper Noz from the Denair Farm & Family Festival

Kim Castro Sunshine & Branch Chaplain

Kim writes notes and sends cards to seriously sick members or recovering surgery, etc.



### **THREE NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED INTO BRANCH 143**

Left to Right Jim Roberts, Dan Gorman, Roger Soderstrom, David Land and Rick Kindle.





# SIR FIELD T

### Jackson Rancheria **RV Park**



11407 Dalton Road, Jackson, **CA 95642 Deadline to book is** March 1, 2026

### Sunday, April 26 - Friday, May 1, 2026

1. Call to make your reservation: (800) 822-9466

Mention you are with SIRS2026 2. Once you have confirmed your reservation Call or text Roger, RV Chairman

209-658-2673 or Email: rogjaxn@me.com

3. IMPORTANT: Reservations are transferrable:

Please call Roger before cancelling 10 rigs = a 15% group discount





**SEATS ARE \$30 EACH** 

SIERRA REP Theatre, 13891 MONO WAY SONORA CA. 95310

Deadline to pay: October 15th MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: SIR MAIL CHECK TO: LEONARD ZUMSTEIN 2645 MIRA FLORES TUBLOCK, CA. 95380

Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, and Elvis Presley come together again to celebrate the holidays in a knock-out Holiday musical experience! Please join us!

NOTE: Dinner To Be Determined. CALL Ken Kajioka if you want to be included in the dinner reservations. 209-602-

### **SIR AREA 18 GOLF SCHEDULE 2025**



Chairman Ken Kajioka

| MO  | DATE | DAY | TIME    | HOST | COURSE      | GF   | CART | PRIZE | TOT  | REMARKS        |
|-----|------|-----|---------|------|-------------|------|------|-------|------|----------------|
| Oct | 6    | Mon | 8:00 SG | ALL  | Creekside   | \$27 | \$20 | \$9   | \$56 | Carts Optional |
|     | 13   |     |         |      | Castle Oaks | \$49 | 7    | \$9   |      | Carts Included |
|     | 20   | Mon | 8:00 SG | 103B | Tracy GC    | \$50 |      | \$9   | \$59 | Carts Included |
|     | 27   | Mon | 8:00 SG | 144  | Dryden      | \$25 | \$20 | \$9   | \$54 | Carts Optional |
|     |      |     |         |      |             |      |      |       |      |                |

**Every Thursday we will have Golf at Creekside Golf Course 9 hole or 18 hole,** contact Ken Kajioka for more info or to sign-up. Also golf on Thursday at River Oaks \$7 for 9 holes (1 week in advance, contact Greg Back)

REMINDER: When you sign-up for golf it also means you will attend 50% of the luncheons Every Third Wednesday.

### Speaker for month of OCTOBER will be

# LORI CRIVELLI



Lori Crivelli, LUTCF, AFIS

1572 Fulkerth Road Turlock, CA 95380 209-668-3319







# IT'S DINE-IN-DINE OUT TIME

**Center Street Grill** 

Thursday, October 9th 5:30 Drinks - 6:00 Dinner

On Center Street Downtown Turlock, we have been their before.

Call Gary Toombs to confirm 209-604-8406



### **BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER**

Phil Franco, Ladd Hackler, Thomas Pannier

### ANNIVERSARIES IN OCTOBER

Kevin Byrne, Marvin Scott



# A Hole-In-One and RV Trips



### "Golfing Once In A Lifetime"

Our fellow member, Jon Ellefson, scored a HOLE IN ONE September 18, 2025, on the 154 yard Par 3 Seventh hole at River Oaks golf course in Ceres. Congratulations Jon, on this once in a lifetime achievement. Next time you see Jon be sure to congratulate him on his great golfing prowess.



Happy folks enjoying Clint Eastwood's Mission Ranch Restaurant in Carmel.



These folks were finally let out of the home to enjoy a meal and a cablecar ride at Shadowbrook Restaurant in Capitola.

### **ELECTED OFFICERS for 2026**

Election of officers took place at the August luncheon meeting. The following 2026 officers have been elected to serve and are endorsed by the SIR BRANCH #143 BEC

Big SIR – Dan Gorman Little SIR – Ken Gomes Secretary – Rock Libby Assistant Secretary – Greg Back Treasurer – Leonard Zumstein

Respectively, Bob Holly Chairman - Nominating Committee Director 1 – Roger Jackson

Director 2 – Kevin Byrne Director 3 – Fred Courter

Director 4 – John Cardoza

Director 5 – Mike Johnson

Director 6 - Bob Holly



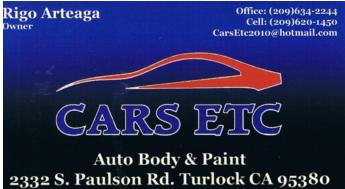
FROM THE BOCCE BALL COURT



Join us for a funtime of Bocce Ball 1st, 3rd and 5th Friday's 10am at Dust Bowl Contact Mike Johnson 209-613-6801

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# **TURLOCK BRANCH NO. 143 OFFICERS & CHAIRMEN FOR 2025**

| Big Sir                      | Roger Jackson    | 658-2673 |
|------------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Little Sir                   | Dan Gorman       | 404-3799 |
| Secretary                    | Greg Back        | 585-6862 |
| Assistant Secretary          | Rock Libby       | 634-6508 |
| Treasurer                    | Leonard Zumstein | 634-8878 |
| Assistant Treasurer          | Vern Segars      | 634-2142 |
| Membership                   | Mike Johnson     | 613-6801 |
| Assistant Membership/Mailing | Rick Kindle      | 652-8608 |
| Recruiting                   | Rick Kindle      | 652-8608 |
| Bowling                      | Tom Mickelson    | 632-2917 |
| Travel Chairman              | John Cardoza     | 483-7722 |
| Travel Assistant             | OPEN             |          |
| Golf                         | Ken Kajioka      | 602-8351 |
| Assistant Golf               | Ray Walker       | 606-9889 |
| Sunshine                     | Kim Castro       | 613-5111 |
| Newsletter Editor/Photo      | Fred Courter     | 202-1926 |
| Bocce Ball                   | Mike Johnson     | 613-6801 |
| Program                      | Gary Potter      | 667-8516 |
| Assistant Program            | Ken Kajioka      | 602-8351 |
| Chaplain                     | Kim Castro       | 613-5111 |
| RV Chairman                  | Roger Jackson    | 658-2673 |
| Assistant RV Chairman        | OPEN             |          |
| Web Master                   | Greg Back        | 585-6862 |
| Nominating Com. Chair        | Bob Holly        | 688-2986 |

Directors: Kevin Byrne, Gary Toombs, Fred Courter, John Cardoza, Mike Johnson, Bob Holly

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