

SENIOR SIR TIMES

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“ OUR MISSION IS TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OUR MEMBERS THROUGH FUN ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS WHILE MAKING FRIENDS FOR LIFE”
SEPTEMBER 2020 Newsletter - Turlock Branch 143

BIG SIR SAYS...

By Greg Back

Happy Labor Day! Our September weather is still blazing, but fall is just a few weeks away and will hopefully bring us cooler weather. Did you know that Labor Day was first celebrated in New York on September 5, 1882 and became an official Federal holiday 12 years later when Congress passed legislation which was signed into law by President Grover Cleveland on June 28, 1894.



I'm pleased to announce the results of our branch election of officers at our last Zoom video meeting. Please welcome your officers for 2021: Big SIR – Rock Libby, Little SIR – Roy Klevmyr, Secretary – Ken Edwards, Assistant Secretary – Larry Date, Treasurer – Len

Zumstein, Assistant Treasurer – Mike Sakaguchi, Directors - Kevin Byrne, Greg Back, Bob Holly, Larry Hughes, Ken Kajioka, Fred Courter.

Please give the new officers your full support and thank them for volunteering their time to make your SIR Branch 143 the best it can be.

Your BEC is continuing to prepare plans to safely restart our lunch meetings when allowed to do so by the State and County health authorities. We know it may still be several months in the future, but we want to be ready
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STATE SIR HAPPENINGS

Here is the link:

<https://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/>

Just click on the link or put into your web browser and it will take you to it... once on the SIR Happenings page, click on HAPPENINGS September 2020, this will open up the Newsletter... Maximize the pages and then scroll down... Unless you have a lot of paper and colored ink, I suggest you just read it and not print it out... Here are some of the interesting topics you can read:

1. Insurance update... we were able to renew our Liability Insurance which is a big deal... Learn more.
2. I'm Doing My Part- a new program to recognize our members for what they do for their fellow members and SIRs.
3. The New State SIR Store... we can now order a lot of different items with the SIR logo to promote SIR.
4. www. WeAreSIR.com- learn about the new Web site for promoting new members.
5. Restarting SIR... more information.
6. Notes from the State President- Ed Benson always inspirational and informative!!

And much, much more.... Enjoy!!

NOTICE:
ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER HAVE BEEN CANCELED EXCEPT RC CLUB

DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER IS: OCTOBER 1-2 and 3



SIR TRAVEL

BILL STIRES
TRAVEL CHAIRMAN



Cancelled Laguna Arts Festival Pageant of the Masters in Southern California
July 26-29, 2020 - Rescheduled For July 25-28, 2021 with more information to come.

Top of Switzerland, Austria, Germany with Oberammergau and the Passion Play is postponed until August 27 – September 7, 2022. More details to come in future.

Due to cancelled trips and postponements we are looking at some future trips:
Great Smoky Mountains in Fall of 2021. Holland Tulip Festival in May 2022.

14 Night Adriatic and Aegean Medley Cruise Aboard The Newest Princess Ship, the Enchanted Princess

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**Ports of Call: ITALY: Rome, Naples, GREECE: Athens, Heraklion, Mykonos, Santorini,
TURKEY: Kusadasi, Istanbul, MONTENEGRO: Kotor, SICILY: Messina, SPAIN: Barcelona**



Tour Features:

- Transfers from Modesto/Turlock roundtrip to Airport.
 - 15 day cruise aboard the Enchanted Princess.
 - One night hotel stay in Rome and one night stay in Barcelona Including all transfers from airport to cruise ship in Rome and hotel to airport in Barcelona.
 - All taxes including port taxes
- Ship is filling up fast don't delay and get in your deposit to hold your spot.**

BEC MINUTES

BRANCH 143 - SIR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

ZOOM MEETING - AUGUST 21, 2020

Call to Order/Welcome @ 10:05 a.m. by Big Sir Greg Back.

Greg presented notes from state meeting, by-law changes to allow electronic meeting and voting were approved.

Attendance Officers: Big Sir Greg Back, Little Sir Rock Libby, Secretary Ken Edwards, Treasure Leonard Zumstein, Assistant treasure Mike Sakaguchi
Directors: Gary Toombs, Larry Hughes, Bob Holly, Ken Kajioka,
Committee Representatives: Ken Kajioka, RV, Gary Toombs, Activities.

Guests: Rick Kindle Regional Director, Richard Provost Governor.

Secretary's Report: By Ken Edwards, July 2020 – Motion to approve 1st Bob Holly, 2nd Ted Thorn, approved unanimous.

Treasures Report: By Leonard Zumstein
 \$120.00 Deposited from dues received
 \$124.44 expense reimbursement to Rick Kindle for printing supplies
 \$2581.00 checking balance
 \$375.00 Cash on hand in briefcase
 \$ 2,956.25 Balance total

Motion to reimburse expenses to:
 -Rick Kindle for mail out roster \$62.89
 -Larry Hughes for printing and mailing out newsletter \$138.82
 1st Bob Holly, 2nd Mike Sakaguchi, approved unanimous.
 Treasurer will mail out checks to both parties.

Membership Report August 19, 2020 Zoom Meeting (attendance not taken):

❖ Absences	0
❖ Excused	0
❖ Guest	0
❖ Speaker	0
❖ Visiting SIRs	0

Two members dropped for not paying dues.

- Charles Nichols Badge #59
 - Charles (Sandy) Newsome Badge #240
- (action on Hold see note below)

One member sent in resignation but he had already been dropped. No change.

- John Schali Badge #198

Five recently dropped members paid their dues and eligible for reinstatement. Need a vote.

- Bob Knapp Badge #213
- Duane Larson Badge #108
- Dennison Parolini Badge #83
- Mike Reed Badge #151
- Ray Rhodes Badge #101

Five back in and two dropped. Membership increased by 3 to 130.

Note: Action on Charles Newsome on hold until next meeting
 Motion to approve membership report and all actions requested (reinstate dropped members)

1st Bob Holly 2nd Ted Thorn vote approved unanimous.

Nominating Committee report: Greg Back for Mark Taylor
 SIR 143 2021 Slate of Officers presented to membership for vote

at Aug 19, 2020 zoom meeting. Vote was held and the following officers were elected unanimously:

Big Sir - Rock Libby
 Little Sir - Roy Klevmyr
 Secretary - Ken Edwards
 Assistant secretary - Larry Date
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Activity Reports:

RC flying group by Greg Back, This group has been reinstated – attendance low but enthusiastic.

Bocce Ball by Gary Toombs, Gary Toombs - will inquire with Tom Bundy to make plans for reinstatement of activity and check with Dust Bowl for use of courts.

Dine in/out; By Gary Toombs: No activities planned at this time.
 RV by Ken Kajioka, Pismo trip is still on at this time but not as a SIRS sanctioned activity. Individuals wanting to go must make their own reservations. If anyone has questions please contact Ken Kajioka @ 209 602-8351

Travel by Bill Stires, not present, no report

No other activities chairmen present.

Old business: Board Operations by Greg Back

Provided reminders to complete and send out the following reports by persons responsible for reporting: Forms 20,28, 27.

Reminder for Big Sir and Little Sir to attend Governor meeting, information on meeting tbd.

Suggestion presented to form a budget planning committee for next year for the incoming Big SIR.

Update of lunch restart committee: target to have rough draft of restart plan to present at next BEC meeting.

New Business:

Rick Kindle notes from town hall meeting:

- Prepare a restart plan that works with area.
- The suggestions were presented for keeping in contact with members, via electronic birthday cards, anniversary cards.
- phone tree to keep in contact with members.

Bob Holly volunteered to lead phone tree, prepare suggested call script and assign members to be called by BEC members.

Revisited the thought of a transportation committee to be discussed further at next meeting.

Incoming State President Jim Johnson has requested contacts from branches for Bocce Ball and RV to coordinate statewide activities. Greg Back will provide the contact information.

The neighborhood social media Next Door was discussed by Richard Provost as a means to spread awareness about SIR and our activities. To be looked into by Larry Hughes, Rick Kindle and Richard Provost.

The use of our branch website, Facebook and/or other social media for outreach was presented by Greg Back. Richard Provost, Larry Hughes, Greg Back, Rick Kindle and Ken Kajioka are to investigate.

Gary Toombs presented the thought of forming a computer group. Greg Back and Gary Toombs will discuss and schedule Zoom meetings to help members with their computers.

Ken Kajioka brought up the need for a medical information portal to share information.

No further new items.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:36 am by Big Sir Greg Back

Respectfully Submitted Ken Edwards, Secretary Branch # 143



RV TRAVEL

Ken Kajioka
trail boss



IMPORTANT: PISMO COAST RV OUTING GUESTS

In the spring, the state SIR cancelled all activities. The decision was made not to reinstate the SIR 143 RV Outing for liability reasons. This has no impact on our individual reservations. Pismo Coast Village is requiring guests to follow all Covid -19 safety guidelines. Contact Pismo Coast if you have any questions or concerns. Drive safely, stay safe and have fun!

Please pass this information on to non-members.

SIRs Personalized Hats, Shirts and Jackets

Show your pride in SIRs, wear a hat, shirt, vest or jacket.. We have some hats and shirts in stock and will have them at our the next meeting, or call Rick Kindle at 209-652-8608 to pick these up... Vests and Jackets are special order, so we need your size. Also, if you want a different color for hats and shirts, these also need to be ordered.. if you have a special shirt you want embroidered, Russel Steeley can do this for \$10... Call him at 209-922-8832 to arrange drop off... he is right here in Denair on Eastgate Drive.



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



SIR 143 - 2021 Officers

Election of Turlock SIR Branch 143 officers took place at the August 19 video meeting.

The following were elected by unanimous vote. Please welcome your new officers and give them your full support. They will be working hard next year to make your SIR Branch 143 the best it can be for our members. Thank them for stepping up to work for you.

Elected Officers for 2021

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 Little Sir - Roy Klevmyr
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 Assistant treasurer - Mike Sakaguchi
 Directors - Kevin Byrne, Greg Back, Bob Holly,
 Larry Hughes, Ken Kajioka, Fred Courter

Although not elected positions, the following volunteer and appointed positions are also vitally important to the opera-

tion and support of our branch and of our members. Please give them your full support and thank them for their hard work:

Appointed Volunteer Chairman positions for 2021

Membership – Open
 Assistant Membership - Ted Thorne
 Sunshine – Ted Thorne
 Recruiting – Open
 Golf - Joe Adams,
 Assistant Golf - Ray Walker
 Travel - Bill Stires
 Bowling - Tony Ferro
 Bocce Ball – Tom Bundy
 RV - Ken Kajioka
 Dine In/Out - Gary Toombs
 RC Flying – Larry Date/Greg Back
 Activities – Gary Toombs
 Program - Gary Potter
 Roster/Mailing – Larry Hughes
 Newsletter Editor/Photographer - Fred Courter
 Webmaster – Larry Hughes
 Hall Set Up - Earl Hamilton
 Chaplain - Earl Hamilton
 Nominating - Greg Back
 Technology – Greg Back

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER



Dan Adams, Abe Robert, Jack Miller, Lester Tyson,
 Gary Toombs, Bob Braudeberry, Tom Bundy, Carl Hillberg,
 Charles Newsome, Mike Gutierrez, Alan Serpa

Happy Anniversary



ANNIVERSARIES IN SEPTEMBER

R. Jay Faughn, Fred Courter, Jim Lackey, John Schali,
 Carl Hillberg, Curt Green, Tom Bundy, Marty Healey,
 Ladd Hackler, Ernie Scheuber, Luis Duron

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Big Sir	Greg Back	585-6862
Little Sir	Rock Libby	634-6508
Secretary	Larry Date	632-7287
Assistant Secretary.....	Ken Edwards	620-9532
Treasurer.....	Leonard Zumstein	634-8878
Assistant Treasurer.....	Mike Sakaguchi	602-5740
Membership.....	Kevin Bryne	648-2373
Assistant Membership.....	Ted Thorne	874-2249
Recruiting.....	OPEN	
Bowling	Tony Ferro	634-8377
Travel	Bill Stires	544-2684
Roster/Mailing.....	Brad Sleeper	620-2620
Golf.....	Joe Adams	632-8197
Assistant Golf	Ray Walker	606-9889
Sunshine	Ted Thorn	535-8696
Newsletter Editor/Photographer	Fred Courter	226-1173
Bocce Ball	Tom Bundy	668-5163
Program	Gary Potter	667-8516
Assistant Program	OPEN	
Catering/Hall Set-Up	Earl Hamilton	606-4525
Chaplain	Earl Hamilton	606-4525
Wagon Master.....	Ken Kajioaka	602-8351
Trail Boss.....	OPEN	
Dine-In ~ Dine-Out.....	Gary Toombs	604-8406
Nominating Committee Chair	Mark Taylor	620-6013
Directors	Gary Toombs, Ken Edwards, Bob Holly, Larry Hughes, Ken Kajioaka, Fred Courter	

STATE OFFICERS

State President: Ed Benson - 925-943-7011
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Area 18 Governor: Richard Provost 209-222-1910