



The Chanticleer

Date June 13, 2013

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Place: Ramada Inn

Luncheon: 12 Noon

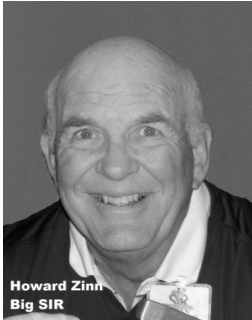
324 W. Shaw Avenue

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program - Bob Bullwinkle Drama & Chorus Coordinator Fresno County Schools

\$15 plus \$2 for the buck bucket

Wow, what a great Ladies day luncheon. Thank you so much attending. We had over 200 in attendance and the entertainment featuring the "Melodears" was outstanding. Special thanks to Shane Peterson and crew for all his hard work. We honored all past Big Sirs and gave flowers to all the ladies and several walked out with awesome door prizes. Some adjustments still need to be made with Ramada.



Howard Zinn
Big SIR

June arrives with the normal activities, but also features special trips for some to the San Francisco Giants game and to Roger Rock's "Good Company Players for "Fiddler on the Roof". A new idea coming is once a month "DATE NIGHT" with the gals. Howard & Marty Zinn will "Host" the first event in June. (See details in the Chanticleer) I will be looking for other Sir 159 couples to host in the future. Please volunteer.

We are looking for our new Little Sir for 2014 to assist James Noriega. Sir Dennis Ensminger will head a committee to nominate candidates for that position. IF you are interested in leading this great organization please contact Dennis at 297-0540.

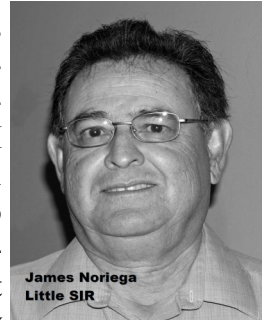
Please continue to support 159 with participation in our Activities and be sure to bring new member and friends to our luncheons. I'll see you all on June 13.

Computer Group

The Computer Group will take a recess for the summer, due to vacations and other things, and will resume again on the third Tuesday in September, the 17th 2013. In the meantime, if you have computer or other technical questions, call me, or see me at our Luncheon Meetings.

Dale Reichard Computer Group Chair

The Mother's Day Luncheon was terrific. The company was outstanding, the entertainment was nostalgic and the food was very good. I hope you all had a wonderful time. Let's thank the members who took their time and effort to coordinate this great event. Also, doesn't it seem that we tend behave differently when the ladies are present? (Not better; just *different* and I will leave the comment at that.)



James Noriega
Little SIR

Currently we are having our bathrooms remodeled at home and many times it is necessary for me to be there, and therefore miss many of the SIR activities (especially golf). These past few weeks have been very boring. **Thank goodness for Sirs.** Just a reminder that there are various SIR activities we all can participate in such as fishing, bowling, golf, cards, computers etc. It seems that I meet new members many times we play golf. Last week I met John Adams and John Briceno. The golf was fun, and so was the experience of meeting new people. By the way, even if you don't play golf join us. Join some of the other activities, you will meet new members and have fun.

Our guest speaker for June is Bob Bullwinkle who is the Fresno County Schools coordinator for performing arts, especially drama and chorus.

June Menu

- Beef Tri-Tip Roast**
- Sesame Chicken Teriyaki**
- Roasted New Potatoes**
- Macaroni Salad**
- Fresh Seasoned Vegetables**
- 1Green & 1Fruit Salad**
- Rolls & Butter**
- Coffee, Tea, & Decaf**
- Assorted Desserts**

Be A Friend-Bring A Friend

Birthdays

May Allan Bertelsen, Howard Boston, John Briceno, Joe Cabral Rich Colby, George Culverwell, Steven Deak, Richard Delgado, Bob Doig, Bob Dowell, Bill Freeman, Frank Garrison, George Gong, Russ Hower Gene Holt, Bill Johnson Dimitri Kostiw, Gordon Lowe Richard Lulejian Warren Nelson, Gerald Nelson, Jack Neugebauer Manuel Nunez, Fred Osterberg, Dale Reichard, Mike Robinson, Gus Short, Lou Shuemake Bart Stockman, Claude Torrez, Jim Vaughan, Stan Weinstein Bob Wiens, Erv Zander

June Jack Begley, Pete Berman, David Bourbon, Daryl DeRouchey, Jim Dorgan, Richard Fimbres, Ken Gray, Ron Jones, Bill Kandarian, Allen Layne, John Leal, Bill Lyons, Larry Mathers, Mike Moyle, Merle Petersen, Charlie Philips, Graham Ruff, Stan Silva, Bernie Stepanek, Don Weaver, Mike Williamson, Fred Wrazel, John Wright

From the Sunshine Desk:

It is with some sadness that I report the passing of two of our Branch #159 SIRs. In April, we lost long-time member, Robert Emerzian. Bob joined up back in 2003 and was active in fishing, golf and travel. In May, we also lost Paul Hyland, an active golfer, a member for the last couple of years. Both Bob and Paul will be missed. As we often say, "May their Memory be Eternal!"

George Gianopolos

May Anniversaries

John & Lynn Adams
Bo & Loretta Bolin
George & Betty Culverwell
Steven & Flo Deak
Ed & Patricia Gavigan
George & Irene Gruner
Paul & Pat Kalpakoff
Nick & Anna Livria
Gordon & Nadine Lowe
Jack & Patty Morrill
Bob & Shirley Rathburn
Dave & Layne Scharton
Jim & Mary Vaughan
Stan & Ruth Weinstein
Mike & Karen Williamson
Dan & Pauline Ybanez

June Anniversaries

Jack & Wanda Begley
Mel & Elaine Bisgaard

Al & Hazel Bopp
David & Jessie Bourbon
Johnny & Angela Briceno
Don & Julia Corley
Roger & Martha Deal
Bruno & Liesbeth Dietl
Tom & Becky Dougherty
Mike & Mary Escobar
Estle & Myrtle Finney
Dick & Barbara Hall
Lee & Dorothy Halverstadt
Brent & Joyce Harris
Charles & Hilda Jaurigue
Bob & Betty Knebel
Michael & LuAnn Joy Levine
Tom & Jackie MacNicol
Larry & Nanci Mathers
Lee & Mi Moy
Corky & Sandy Nakayama
Pete & Matilda Rivera
George & Evelyn Rurik
Tom & Sharon Ryno
Bob & Ginny Sheffield
Jim & Harriet Sheldon
Gus & Bernice Short
Bernie & Sharon Stepanek
Bob & Elaine Wilderson
John & Nancy Wright
Jim & Marjorie Wulf
Rich & Mary Zanmarini

Callers Corner

I want to take a moment to thank all of the callers. In the last 8 months our callers for the luncheons have been outstanding. We have sent in the correct number of members for lunch and are usually on the mark or over what is expected. On behalf of BIG SIR and myself we thank you for your excellent work. We are number one because of you. Stay healthy and enjoy your life! **Ron Travis**

Attendance Report

In May, 2013, SIR Branch #159 had 291 members. We had a total attendance of 206 SIRs and ladies at the Ladies day luncheon on May 9, 2013. It was nice to have ladies present and the Melodears did a great job. Members are expected to attend the monthly meeting or to notify

the Attendance Chairman when the wish to be excused. Three consecutive unexcused absences or six unexcused absences in a twelve month period constitutes a jeopardy to membership. If you are unable to attend a future meeting, PLEASE call 447-5388 or send an email to DukMarshal@aol.com When you call or email please include your **NAME and BADGE NUMBER**
Duke Marshall Attendance Chairman

Bridge Scores

May 3 1st. Ron Vieira, 2nd. Fred Wrazel, 3rd. Jim Peterson, 4th. Jim Whitmer 5th. George Rurik, 6th. Bob Cleveland
Consolation: John Williford
High score: 5790
High table: 1570
Fred Wrazel - Ron Vieira

May 17 1st. Fred Wrazel, 2nd. Bob Cleveland, 3rd. Ron Vieira, 4th. Jim Whitmer, 5th. Jack Leonard, 6th. John Williford
Consolation: Gene Tognazzini
High score: 8380
High table: 2880
Fred Wrazel - Ron Vieira

SIR Branch 159

Couples Bridge Tournament

HELLO FELLOW SIR'S. COUPLES BRIDGE GAMES ARE MOVING ALONG AND WILL CLOSE THE END OF MAY 2013. THE CURRENT SCORES ARE APPROXIMATE AS NOT ALL SCORES ARE IN. 1ST PLACE IS JOHN AND MARY ELLEN WILLIFORD @ 29,680 2ND PLACE JIM AND MARY ANN WHITMER @ 28,680 THIRD PLACE IS JEFFIE AND LARRY KNOLL 26,480.

WE WILL ANOUNCE THE WINNER AT THE ANNUAL LUNCHEON, JUNE 11TH ALL PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED AT THAT TIME. WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR DICK AND JUNE HANSEN WILL NO LONGER BE JOINING US FOR BRIDGE. YOU WILL BE MISSED. MIKE ESCOBAR IS VERY ILL AND OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU BOTH. THE LUNCHEON WILL BE AT STONE BROOK CLUBHOUSE AT EAST SHAW.

DIRECTIONS WILL BE IN THE INVITATION. SEE ALL OF YOU THEN.

SIR STAN WEINSTEIN

Pool/Billiards

Several people have talked to me about a pool hall related activity. I have the capacity to offer pool table time at a very competitive rate along with other specials at THE BREAK ROOM pool hall located at Hwy 99 and Ashlan Ave. I welcome any input as to whether you would prefer 8-ball, 9-ball or both. Individual or team format. If we decide on a regular team tourney format like golf, THE BREAK ROOM will provide stat services as well as individual handicapping. We can opt for weekdays, week-nights or weekends. If you are interested, send me a note or phone me @ 322-6909 BMoore93611@ATT.net and if we have enough interest we can get the ball rolling, so to speak. I will be at the luncheon in June and I will be glad to discuss it with anyone. . *SIR Bob Moore*

GOLFERS CORNER

Belmont Country Club was the site for 70 SIR golfers to test their skills on May 2nd. Such a good turnout allowed for 6 flights in the first of the month individual match. In the 1st flight, Joe Hushek was low with net 71 followed by Lee Moy with net 72. George Rodriguez led the way in flight 2 with net 68. Carl Merz was next with net 72. In the 3rd flight Joe Russo had a fine net 66 followed closely by Don Avakian with net 67. Winner of the 4th flight was Ed Dorn at net 70. Placing 2nd was John Briceno at net 73. Joe Marshall walked away with flight 5 at net 63. Rick Pezzi was 2nd at net 65. In the 6th flight Robert Anderson had low net of the day at 61. Stanley Littleworth followed with a net 66. On CTP hole #2 Bob Dickson was close at 5' 9" followed by Joe Russo at 8' 2". On CTP #13 Nick Fierro took first at 8' 9" and Bob Dickson was in the money again at 9' even.

Madera Muni was the kickoff site on May 16th for our annual Ron Rich Memorial Match Play Tournament. Spanning a period of 10 weeks, this is our only match play event of the year. 32 players who signed up for the event were separated into 4 flights based on handicaps. Each flight was then seeded (first match had lowest handicap player in the flight playing against highest handicap player in that flight, etc.). The first round of play saw quite a few upsets based on seedings. In the 1st flight the 4 SIRs advancing to round two are Lee Moy, Ray Phillips, Mike Moyle and Jerry Manley. In the 2nd flight Steve Whitehead, Butch Evans and Reg Rosander are all advancing (one match still needs to be played). Flight 3 has Andy Evanko, Bob Rathburn, John Briceno and Mike Williamson moving forward. 4th flight winners moving on are Dennis Costello, Vic Froehmer, Joe Marshall and John Crawford. Next month when the July Chanticleer goes to press we will have played two more Ron Rich rounds and we'll know the flight winners who are moving on to the finals.

As this article goes to press this month we're also just a few days shy of knowing which group of SIR golfers will be moving on to the finals of the 2013 Sir State Scrambles. That info will be in next month's article.

Doing a great job as monthly chairman for May (having to work 5 matches) was Jim Morgan. Jim had high praise for his assistant Vic Froehmer who had all match monies accounted for down to the last cent. Jim noticed that the participation in our matches is up from last year when he was chairman. With more SIRs playing in the matches it's important for our members to utilize our signup boards so fewer adds have to be made at the last minute.

Golf Chairman for June is Dennis Costello. Ron Wilson will be assisting.

Branch 159 June Golf Schedule *Chairman Dennis Costello 676-5878*

Thur 6/6	8AM	SG	Sherwood
Wed 6/12	8AM	SG	Ridge Creek
Thur 6/20	8AM	SG	Riverbend
Thur 6/27	8AM	SG	Valley Oaks
Wed 7/3	8AM	SG	Pheasant Run
Wed 7/10	8AM	SG	Riverside
Thur 7/18	8AM	SG	Madera Muni

April Bowling Scores

All SIR members and guests are invited to come join us – Friday mornings, 10AM Sierra Lanes. Anyone interested please contact Ted Fox @ 298-3179, See you.

DATE	Name	Score	Branch
5-Apr	HI SERIES Jim Whitmer	628	159
	HI GAME Bill Ripley	224	175
12-Apr	HI SERIES James Noriega	659	159
	HI GAME Rich Zanarini	272	158
19-Apr	HI SERIES Vic Froehmer	656	159
	HI GAME Leroy Foote	244	159
26-Apr	HI SERIES Leroy Foote	692	159
	HI GAME Tom Harlan	247	175

New Members

Name	Phone
John Price	313-4854
Randy Hanna	412-2759
Gary Greenberg	269-1340
Steven Shaw	298-7815
Bob Kayajanian	299-2690
Gary Kilgore	790-4560
Russ Wyatt	271-2012



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SIRS 159 MONTHLY
“DATE NIGHT WITH THE GALS”

One night each month we will host a “Date Night” with our gals. The “Host” couple will pick a local Restaurant and make all the arrangements to accommodate the group. (It may start out with two or three or even four couples - maybe more). The date should be after the monthly luncheon so details can be confirmed to all and the restaurant chosen. The host names, telephone number, and choice of restaurant will be announced at that time and couples can choose at that time. It will also be put in the Chanticleer. Each couple will pay for their own dinner. This attempt will give our ladies an opportunity to meet more gals from our 159 family, instead of just two times a year at our luncheons. Howard and Marty Zinn (431-6797) will host the first Date night on June 19, at the “OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY” on Shaw near Fresno State. 6:00 PM

A little humor from Perry

“GOOD LUCK, MR. GORSKY”

Who is Mr. Gorsky?

In case you didn't already know this little tidbit of trivia, on July 20, 1969, as Commander of the Apollo 11 lunar mod-

ule, Neil Armstrong was the first person to set foot on the moon. His first words after stepping on the moon were "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind," were televised to earth and heard by millions. Just before he re-entered the Lunar Lander, he made the enigmatic remark, "good luck Mr. Gorsky."

Many people at NASA thought it was a casual remark concerning some rival Soviet cosmonaut. However, upon checking, there was no Gorsky in either the Russian or American space programs. Over the years, many people questioned Armstrong as to what the 'good luck, Mr. Gorsky' statement meant. But Armstrong always just smiled. On July 5, 1995, in Tampa Bay Florida, while answering questions following a speech, a reporter brought up the 26 year old question to Armstrong. This time he finally responded. Mr. Gorsky had died so Neil Armstrong felt he could answer the question.

In 1938 when he was a kid in a small mid-western town, he was playing baseball with a friend in the backyard. His friend hit the ball which landed in his neighbor's yard by their bedroom window. His neighbors were Mr. and Mrs. Gorsky. As he leaned down to pick up the ball, young Armstrong heard Mrs. Gorsky shouting at Mr. Gorsky. "Sex! You want sex?" You'll get sex when the kid next door walks on the moon!

True story - It broke the place up.