



# The Chanticleer

Date August 8, 2013

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Place: Ramada Inn

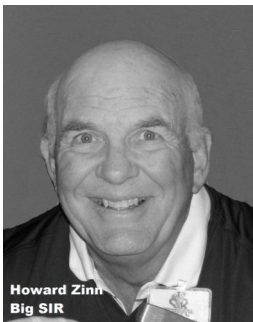
Luncheon: 12 Noon

324 W. Shaw Avenue

**New 159 website - [www.branch159.sirinc2.org](http://www.branch159.sirinc2.org)  
 Program - Nancy Hollingsworth - St Agnes Hospital CEO**

\$15 plus \$2 for the buck bucket

“Oh my gosh”, Its August already and SIR Elections for next year are upon us. As of this date, our Little Sir for 2014 will be Dennis Costello, unless a motion from the floor is made for another nominee. Dennis will serve with Big Sir Elect James Noriega for 2014. We say good-bye and thank you to George Gianopulos and Rich Colby for their four year service to the BEC. Two new members will be voted in to replace them at the August meeting. We have a slate of outstanding candidates to help run 159. We have two other offices that must be filled. Please select an Assistant Treasurer and new Librarian by writing their names in the space provided on the ballot.



Howard Zinn  
Big SIR

**BE SURE TO VOTE.**

Earlier this past month, I attended a morning breakfast meeting with some of our distinguished veterans of 159. My objective was to learn more about Honorary Life Members. It was a pleasure to listen and learn. It is my promise to fully investigate this great honor and make sure we get the allotted number of members to that level of service. I have appointed Sir Rich Colby to head this assignment with the help of Sir Roger Deal. Any advice or suggestions should be directed to Rich Colby or Myself.

Yours truly, will be attending a State SIRS mandatory meeting in Vellejo in August. A full report will be given at the next meeting. I'm expecting nothing but praise from the State Board regarding SIRS 159. We continue to grow and improve in all our activities and lead all other groups in our Area. They come to our luncheons

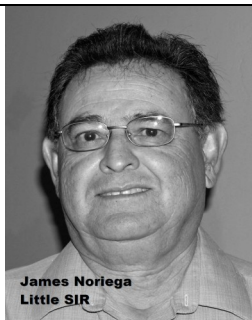
as guest to learn our ways and get ideas to make their organization better.

Thank you to Charlie & Hilda Jaurigue who hosted another awesome “Ladies Date Night” at Plaza Ventana on July 17. Over 40 members & their wives attended. Look in another section of the “Chanticleer” for the August restaurant location. When you decide to attend, call the Hosts ASAP to confirm your attendance. At some places they give us a limited number of couples, due to table availability. First come-first seated.

Thanks to a great membership, we continue to grow and welcome new members each month. Great job gentlemen - keep them coming.

**SEE YOU ALL AT THE LUNCHEON**

Well it's that time of the year that the weather is so hot we wonder why we chose to live in the central valley. But then we realize that living in Fresno has many advantages. First are all the friendships we have, especially SIRS, then we are close to the mountains and the coast and can choose when to visit. We then remember that most of the year the weather is great. Besides we also have air conditioners. Hey, from what I hear, there are not many places in this country where you can play golf almost every day of the year



James Noriega  
Little SIR

I know that by the laughter at last month's luncheon, that you enjoyed our July speaker Chuck Topjian. The speaker for the August luncheon is Nancy Hollingsworth the President and CEO of St. Agnes Hospital. I would also like to remind you to spread the good cheer about Sons in Retirement and the many activities that SIR sponsors. Invite a friend, a relative or a stranger to our next luncheon. Also if you are still tempted to join one of the many SIRs activities, talk to an activity chairman. The activities are great fun and you will meet and get to know some great people.

**Be A Friend-Bring A Friend**

## Couples Bridge

After a spirited 12 month competition the Sirs couples-bridge tournament ended in May 2013. Our annual luncheon was in June. We awarded the first, second and third winners of the tournament. 1st place winner was John and Mary Ellen Williford, 2nd Jim and Mary Ann Whitmer and 3rd was Jeffie Filgas and Larry Knoll. Thanks to the Assistance of Sir Leonard and Wife Maxine, we were able to hold our award luncheon at the lovely Clubhouse at their complex.

A wonderful pot luck luncheon was enjoyed by our 26 players. A special thank you to our luncheon committee, Ruth Weinstein, Barbara Ruhl, Mary Whitmer and Janet Wrazel.

Our 2013-2014 season will be starting in September 2013. You will receive a letter with the date of the luncheon in August. We are hoping for 13 couples. We are extending an open invitation to all. We welcome beginners. Have a Great Summer. *Stan Weinstein*

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Ray & Birdie Allen  
Charlie & Millie Barnett  
Allan & Gloriann Bertelsen  
Donald & Marilyn Bolin  
Jerry & Dene Brown  
Harry & Lillian Buchaklian  
Alan & Linda Bynum  
Dennis & Suzie Costello  
Carrol & Dorothy Dahl  
Ed & Kay Dill  
Paul & Mary Gabrielson  
Frank & Mary Garrison  
Gary & Laynee Greenberg  
Dick & June Hansen  
Bill & Sue Hedman  
Dave & Sue Heth  
Joe & Patty Huizar

Bob & Louise Jones  
Lee & Joan Kerr  
Mike & Sue Kilijian  
Jim & Judith Knapp  
Bill & Nancy Leavitt  
Don & Faye Lowe  
Duke & Janis Marshall  
Warren & Sharon Nelson  
Jack & Karen Neugebauer  
Charlie & Sally Philips  
Dan & Sandy Rodriguez  
Larry & Pat Rosander  
Chuck & Betty Royse  
Graham & Shirley Ruff  
Jim & Barbara Ruhl  
Don & Janet Ryan  
Dave & Kerri Smith  
Ron & Nancy Smith  
Lew & Millie Stewart  
Lynn & Carol Streit  
Jim & Kay Suddath  
Steve & Denise Whitehead  
Ed & Naomi Wiens  
Roger & Robin Wright  
Bob & Joan Zoldoske

### BIRTHDAYS

Walt Berg, Dave Betts, John Brechmann, Jerry Brown  
Dwayne Chambers, Doug Duke  
Greg Ellis, Dennis Ensminger  
Estle Finney, Bruce Gibson  
Al Gonzalez, Frank Hokr, Scott Holmes, Perry Huffman, Mike Kilijian, Bob Knebel, Tony Maslowski, Bill Neal, Jim Peterson, Orie Reed, Don Ryan, Dave Smith, Bob Stenberg, John Volkmann, Ron Wilson, Russ Wyatt

### Attendance Report

In July, 2013, SIR Branch #159 had 293 members with 179 of those members attending the July 11, 2013 luncheon. This represents 60% of the members in attendance. There were 117 members absent of which 58 were excused. 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](mailto:DukMarshal@aol.com). When you call or email please include your NAME and BADGE NUMBER.

*Duke Marshall, Attendance  
Chairman*

### August Menu

**Beef Tri-tip Roast**  
**BBQ Chicken**  
**Roasted New Potatoes**  
**Four Bean Salad**  
**Fresh Seasoned Vegetables**  
**1 Green & 1 Fruit Salad**  
**Rolls & Butter**  
**Coffee, Tea, & Decaf**

### Bridge Scores

**July 5** 1st. Ron Vieira,  
2nd. John Williford, 3rd. Vic Froehmer, 4th. Larry Knoll  
5th. Jim Peterson, 6th. Russ Mott  
Consolation: Allan Bertelsen  
High score: 4610  
High table: 1430

Larry Knoll - Vic Froehmer-  
**July 19** 1st. Ron Vieira, 2nd. Vic Froehmer, 3rd. Jim Peterson  
4th. tied Jim Whitmer  
5th. tied Jack Leonard,  
6th. George Rurik, 7th. Gene Tognazzini  
Consolation: Fred Wrazel  
High score: 3760  
High table: 1570  
George Rurik - "the phantom"

### Computer Group

The next Computer Group meeting will be September 17, 2013, at 1:00PM, at the Woodward Park

Library, located at Champlain and Perrin. If you have technical type questions in the meantime, call me, or see me at the luncheon meeting.

**Dale Reichard, Computer Group Chair**

## GOLFERS CORNER

Our recent golf matches have been played in temperatures over the century mark but player turnout has continued to be good. In July we didn't have a first of the month singles tournament as usual, the reason being that the 2nd and 3rd matches of the month needed to be run on an individual basis so we could play our 2 week Branch Championship. In the regular individual matches that coincided with the Championship, the results were as follows.

At Riverside on JUL 10, CTP winner on hole #5 was Terry Dondero at 2' 7" followed by Dennis Ensminger at 4' 11". CTP #11 had Jim Whitmer close at 3' 6" with Gerry Fields in 2nd at 4' 9". The following golfers ranked 1 and 2 in each flight. 1st flight - Gary Parnell low at net 65, Joe Hushek at net 68. 2nd flight - Gilbert Matossian low at net 67, Bob Doig at net 68. 3rd flight - James Noriega on top in the tiebreaker with Dave Barredo both with net 67. 4th flight - Rich Colby low at net 64, Sal Morales at net 67. 5th flight - Don Corley (with the low for the day) net 60, Bob Wiens net 65.

At Madera Muni on JUL 18, CTP winner on hole #6 was Andy Evanko at 5' 11" followed by Alex Ramirez at 6' 7". On CTP #15 Rich Colby and Gary Parnell tied at 10' even. Ranking 1 and 2 in each flight were the following golfers. 1st flight - Joe Hushek at net 62, Lee Moy net 63. 2nd flight - Mike Fair net 60, Claude Torrez net 63. 3rd flight - Alan Barton net 60, Russ Hewer net 63. 4th flight - Nick Fierro net 60, John Briceno net 64. 5th flight - Dan Rodriguez (with low for the day) net 59, James Suddath net 60. 6th flight - Don Corley at net 60, John Rackin net 64.

Combining all golfers scores for the two weeks yielded the final results for our 2013 SIR 159 Branch Championship. In the net competition, placing tied for 3rd were Joe Hushek and Gary Parnell at 130. In 2nd place was Alan Barton at net 128. Our net champion was Don Corley with a very low net 120. In the gross score competition, placing 3rd was Mike Moyle at 158. In 2nd was Gary Parnell at 156. Our champion for low gross, 3rd year in a row, was Joe Hushek with a very fine 147.

The match at Madera also saw the conclusion to our Ron Rich Match Play Championship for 2013. Butch Evans, winner of the 2nd flight, placed fourth. Vic Froehmer, winner of the 4th flight, placed third. Mike Williamson, winner of the 3rd flight, was the runner up. Winner of the 1st flight, and Ron Rich Champion for 2013, was Mike Moyle.

Awards for the Branch Championship and the Ron

Rich Match Play will be handed out at our golf awards luncheon at the Ramada Inn on Friday, OCT 25.

Corky Nakayama served as our monthly chairman for July. Corky wanted to thank those of you who called in early to be added or cancelled for tournaments...as it really helps out the golf chair and our handicap chair John Brechmann when making pairings. Corky would strongly recommend more SIR golfers volunteering to be the monthly chair or assistant, as you would get to know and recognize our golfers along with gain an appreciation for what people have to do in making our tournaments run as smoothly as possible. (Editor's note...we still need two volunteers for chairman and assistant this December :-)). Corky wanted to thank Little Sir James Noriega for his help and diligence as assistant for the month.

The monthly chair for August is Big Sir Howard Zinn assisted by Joe Hushek.

### Branch 159 August Golf Schedule

*Chairman Howard Zinn 431-6797*

Thur 8/1	8AM	SG	Belmont CC
Wed 8/7	8AM	SG	Madera CC
Thur 8/15	8AM	SG	Sherwood
Thur 8/22	8AM	SG	Lemoore
Thur 8/29	8AM	SG	Sierra Meadows
Thur 9/05	8AM	SG	Riverside
Wed 9/11	8AM	SG	Dinuba

### August Bowling News

The Fall/winter 2012/2013 is complete. We had a awesome 42 weeks of bowling, and are looking forward to the next season (starting in Sept 2013). All SIR members and guests are invited (bring the kids) for some summer fun bowling . Friday mornings 10:00am Sierra Lanes, Blackstone Ave, Fresno If you are interested please come out and join us. Contact Ted Fox 298-3179 for more information.

DATE		Name	Score	Branch
4-Jun	HI SERIES	Andy Evanko	685	159
	HI GAME	Bill Ripley	223	175
14-Jun	HI SERIES	Bill Ripley	654	175
	HI GAME	Leroy Foote	257	159
21-Jun	HI SERIES	Tom Harlan	657	175
	HI GAME	Terry Schneider	232	159
28-Jun	HI SERIES	James Noreiga	676	159
	HI GAME	Leroy Foote	245	159



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**Directory Additions**

It has been decided to only print a directory once each year with an insert to be printed and distributed mid-way between the printings. Our current directory is from March 2013 and we intend to print for distribution for the October Chanticleer; therefore, we will print an insert for the August Chanticleer. This insert will include new members inducted in March through July. This insert is in this Chanticleer and can be inserted in the old directory until the new 2014 directory is printed in October. If you have changes to make to your directory information notify Roger Deal so the new directory has your correct information. The 2015 directory and all future directories will run from January to January with an insert printed in July.

**Sunshine Desk**

Your sunshine committee sent three "get well" cards to fellow roosters, and on your behalf, during the month of July. We also welcome former Big Sir Ron Wilson to the committee. We seek, however, at least one more member. Specifically, the committee could

benefit from a SIR interested or experienced in both home and institutional visitation and consolation of the bereaved when and if required. Interested SIRs please call Charles Barrett at 436-8338 or Ron Wilson 960-8294.

*Charles Barrett* <[charles@thebarretts.com](mailto:charles@thebarretts.com)>  
*Sunshine Chairman*

SIRS 159  
**AUGUST'S LADIES DATE NIGHT**  
**WORLD SPORTS CAFE**  
(RIVERPARK)  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2013  
5:00 DRINKS - 6:00 DINNER  
REQUIREMENTS  
CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE  
BE ON TIME  
PAY YOUR OWN BILL  
FAVORITE TEAM SPORTS APPARAL WELCOME  
HAVE FUN - MEET & GREET  
YOUR HOST FOR AUGUST IS  
DOROTHY & CARROL DAHL  
439-5874  
(CALL FOR RESERVATIONS)  
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