

Date September 12, 2013

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

The Chanticleer

Social Hour11;00 AM Luncheon: 12 Noon

Place: Ramada Inn

324 W. Shaw Avenue

Program - John Alkire CEO, **Big Fresno Fair**

\$15 plus \$2 for the buck bucket

The Students have returned to school. Traffic around schools is hectic. Be careful for yourself and students when traveling in the morning around schools and playgrounds. I just returned from State SIRS in Vallejo and WE (159) received an outstanding

progress report. A state representative will visit our branch soon with accodades.

At last month's meeting, Dennis Costello was elected Little Sir for 2014 to assist Big Sir James Noriega for the new year. Also selected to serve on the BEC for 2014 will be Allan Baxter and Reg Rosander. We are still looking for an Asst. Treasurer and someone to assist John Pokorny in the Library. Most importantly, Roger Deal needs help and assistance. He is our membership chairman and will train folks who are interested in helping. (Member packets, Inductions, Directories, Database, click Queries, excell, speaker certificates, & Reports of various information). Please call me at 431-6797 if interested in any of these openings.

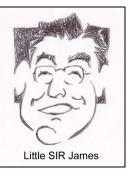
Please keep Sir Terry Dondero in your thoughts and prayers. As of this writing he is in an ICU unit at Fresno Community with health issues.

As your Big Sir and "Monthly golf chairman", I want to thank all our members who play golf with 159. Thank you for confirming or canceling your attendance at our weekly tournaments. It sure makes thing easy when you know exactly who is scheduled to be at the golf course. Hey, and by the way - 32 of 44 golfers shot UNDER par at the last tournament. We are working hard on our handicaps and improving weekly.

Finally, our Ladies Date nights are very successful. We had another awesome evening with our Ladies at the Worlds Sports Cafe in Riverpark.

Thank you to Carroll & Dorothy Dahl, who Hosted the evening WITH 42 GUEST. Look for our next planned ladies night in another section of the Chanticleer. (Back Page) Looking forward to seeing you all at the September luncheon. Bring a friend (Guest).

Here it is almost the end of summer, with the mornings getting somewhat cool. For those of us who are retired educators, there is also the nostalgic feeling of the start of a new school year and the great feeling that we are not involved in it. Also, for those who like sports, the race for the pennant is alive for some teams (Go Dodgers) and the start of the football season is upon us. I hope every-



one has had an enjoyable summer and are looking forward to a great fall.

Nancy Hollingsworth, speaker for last month was very informative about the great medical care available at Saint Agnes Hospital. The speaker for September is John Alkire, the CEO of the Big Fresno Fair, who received the Executive of the Year Award from the Public Relations Society of America. (Dates for the fair are October 2 -14). I am looking forward to the Big Fresno Fair this year and the exhibits, the horseraces, and the excitement of the community getting together to celebrate the success of Fresno County.

Sunshine Desk

There is nothing new to say from the sunshine committee - which is way cool! "However, we are pleased to say that Terry Dondero has completed 2 of his multiple surgeries, and is now in the Golden Living Center @ 111 Barstow in Clovis. Visitation from 10AM to 7PM. More procedures are required but not scheduled yet. Hooray for fellow rooster Terry Dondero!! Get well soon, and get back to the barnyard!!!" *SIR Charlie Barrett*

Be A Friend-Bring A Friend



Editors Note : Caricatures of Big SIR Howard and Little SIR James are contributed by our own Perry Huffman.

Couples Bridge

Sirs couples Bridge will soon be starting it's fall season. We have had some players drop out due to illness but we anticipate that 12 to 16 couples will be playing. We encourage any sir who wants to ioin u s to c a l l for more information. We have players who are beginners, intermediate players and advanced players. So, all new couples will feel at home.

We will be having our annual Fall Luncheon the end of September and more information will be forth coming. We are asking all present players to call by August 15th and verify that they will be playing so we can plan accordingly.

LET THE FUN BEGIN Sir Stanley Weinstein 559 435-1822

New Members

Rod Ashley435-8490John Blackburn618-9001Richard Graham779-4428

ANNIVERSARIES:

Rod & Earlene Ashley David & Diana Barredo John & Kathy Brechmann Bernie & Kathy Cargle Bill & Nelleen Cross Joe & Margaret D'Amico Larry & Zoe Daniels Bob & Sue Dowell Greg & Diane Ellis George & Dorothea Gianopulos Cliff & Darlene Henderson Larry & Bernice Knoll Nick & Maria Lapietra Bill & Kathy Larkin Larry & Lynn Psaltis Ed & Jackie Smiley Jim & Mary Ann Whitmer

BIRTHDAYS:

Philip Angelillo, Rod Ashley Bob Bosserman, Harry Buchaklian Steve Cox, Larry Daniels, John Devlin, Ray Ensher, Butch Evans Nick Fierro, Phil Fullerton, Dick Hansen, Dave Heth, Gary Kazarian, Gilbert Matossian, Len Mazorra. Byron McCormick, Carl Merz, Ray Phillips, John Price Bob Rathburn, Howard Ray, Dan Rodriquez, Jim Ruhl, Gary Smith Lynn Streit, Jim Suddath, Ted Vogt, Donald Von Berg, Mel Welch, Ed Wiens, Dan Ybanez

Bridge Scores

Aug. 2 1st. John Williford 2nd. Jack Leonard, 3rd. Ron Vieira, 4th. Vic Froehmer 5th. Jim Lund, 6th. Jim Whitmer Consolation: Hugh Cox High score: 4550 High table: 1670 Vic Froehmer — Jim Lund Aug. 16 1st. Vic Froehmer 2nd. Ron Vieira, 3rd. Jack Leonard, 4th. Jim Peterson, 5th. Fred Wrazel, 6th. Bob Cleveland Consolation: Jim Lund High score: 5790 High table: 1630 Vic Froehmer - Ron Vieira

Attendance Report

In August, 2013, SIR Branch #159 had 299 members with 178 of those members attending the

August 8, 2013 luncheon. This represents 60% of the members in attendance. There were 120 members absent of which 61 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 Duk-Marshal@aol.com When you call or email please include your NAME and BADGE NUMBER-Duke Marshall, Attendance Chairman

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

I am looking for someone with good reliability, attendance and computer skills in Excel and email, to take over as Membership Chairmanship. After nearly 10 years I am ready to give the job to another person. *Call Roger Deal at 297-7022.*

September Menu

Chicken Fried Steak/w gravy Sesame Chicken Teriyaki Herb Rice - Waldorf Salad Fresh Seasonal Vegetables 1Green & 1 Fruit Salad Rolls & Butter Coffee, Tea, & Decaf Assorted Dessert

September Bowling News

Bowling is in the summer hiatus, so there is no news to report. However, we are still bowling for fun on Fridays at 10:00am if anyone is interested in joining us.

Pending a possible change in hours of

operation of the bowling alley, SIR's bowling may come to an end in September, but we will keep you informed of that final change. *Ted Fox*

Computer Group

The Computer Group will meet on Tuesday September 17, 2013, at 1:00 PM, at the Woodward Park Library, located at Perrin and Champlain. Roger Deal and I plan to setup a demonstration between our two iPads to show how a feature called **Face Time** is done. It allows the user to connect on the internet with another iPad, or iPod or iPhone or even an Android Smart-Phone, just like calling on a cell phone, only you can *see* each other. All that is required is an E-Mail address for each of you, and typing it in. I've talked to my two sisters, and even trouble-shot ("show me your screen") this way. We'll have other stuff too.Hope to see you there,

Dale Reichard, Computer Group Chair

Perry Humor for September

(1.) The husband leans over and asks his wife, 'Do you remember the first time we had sex together over sixty years ago? We went behind the village tavern where you leaned against the back fence and I made love to you.'

Yes, she says, 'I remember it well.'

OK,' he says, 'How about taking a stroll around there again and we can do it for old time's sake?'

Oh Jim, you old devil, that sounds like a crazy, but good idea!'

A police officer sitting in the next booth heard their conversation and, having a chuckle to himself, he thinks to himself, I've got to see these two old-timers having sex against a fence. I'll just keep an eye on them so there's no trouble. So he follows them.

The elderly couple walks haltingly along, leaning on each other for support aided by walking sticks. Finally, they get to the back of the tavern and make their way to the fence. The old lady lifts her skirt and the old man drops his trousers. As she leans against the fence, the old man moves in.. Then suddenly they erupt into the most furious sex that the policeman has ever seen. This goes on for about ten minutes while both are making loud noises and moaning and screaming. Finally, they both collapse, panting on the ground.

The policeman is amazed. He thinks he has learned something about life and old age that he didn't know. After about half an hour of lying on the ground recovering, the old couple struggle to their feet and put their clothes back on. The policeman, is still watching and thinks to himself, this is truly amazing, I've got to ask them what their secret is.

So, as the couple passes, he says to them, 'Excuse me, but that was something else. You must've had a fantastic sex life together. Is there some sort of secret to this?'

Shaking, the old man is barely able to reply, 'Sixty years ago that wasn't an electric fence.'

(2.) Dan was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business.

When he found out he was going to inherit a fortune when his sickly father died, he decided he needed to find a wife with whom to share his fortune.

One evening, at an investment meeting, he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away.

"I may look like just an ordinary guy," he said to her, "but in just a few years, my father will die and I will inherit \$200 million." Impressed, the woman asked for his business card.

Three months later, she became his stepmother.

Women are so much better at financial planning than men.

Golfers Corner

Our first of the month individual match for August was held at Belmont G&CC on 8/1/13. Sixty-one golfers were treated to a beautiful day for golf weather wise. After the match our club picked up the tab and we enjoyed a lunch social. On CTP hole #2, Perry Huffman had the shot of a lifetime by using his sand wedge to knock his ball into the hole for an ace. Congratulations Perry!! Joe Montejano almost did the same thing, leaving his ball 2' 7" from the hole to place second. On CTP # 13 Lee Nichols was close at 3' 2" followed by Steve Whitehead at 7' 10". In the 1st flight Lee Nichols was low at net 67 followed by Lee Moy at net 68. Flight 2 had George Rodriguez in first at net 68, Paul Gabrielson second at net 69. In the 3rd flight Gerry Fields had the low net of the day at 64. Bob Moore followed at net 72. In flight 4 Hank Gomar duplicated the low net at 64, Duke Marshall took second at net 70. In the 5th flight Vic Froehmer came out on top in the tiebreaker over Joe Cabral, both at net 66.

Congratulations to our scramble team that represented Area 29 in the SIR State Scrambles held at Stevinson Ranch on Monday AUG 12. The team of Butch Evans, James Noriega, Nick Fierro and Bob Anderson took 3rd place out of the many teams that competed. The team didn't stick around for the awards ceremony as they would have had to wait an extra hour or so and Stevinson's clubhouse had been consumed by fire a few weeks earlier. The team should receive a sizable \$ payout from SIR STATE Golf soon.

Kudos also to Gary Smith and Ray Phillips. Both SIR 159 golfers played in the SIR Division 5 qualifier for the State Individual tournament at Rancho Del Rey in Atwater on AUG 23rd. In the 4th flight Smith had a net 75 to advance to the state finals to be held at Laguna Seca golf course in Monterey on OCT 21. In the 1st flight Phillips fired a net 73 to qualify as an alternate to the state match.

Last but certainly not least, we'd like to recognize Claude Torres. On JUL18 Claude shot a gross score two strokes under his current age at Madera Muni. Way to go



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Claude!! Very few golfers are good enough to ever accomplish that feat. Both Claude (for shooting below his age) and Perry (for his hole-in-one) will be receiving their "Feather in the Cap" awards from SIR State golf shortly.

SEPT is a busy month for SIR 159 golf. Besides our regular weekly matches there are two special events, one at the coast on SEP 9-10 (the annual Beat the Heat tournament) and the other at Sunnyside CC on SEP 24 (annual Sunnyside Open). Contact Rich Zanarini for the coast and Butch Evans for Sunnyside.

Chairman for the AUG matches was Big Sir Howard Zinn. Howard wanted to thank his helper Joe Hushek for handling the money at the matches. He also wanted to thank those golfers who called in by Monday evenings to be added or cancelled to the matches.

Monthly chairman for SEP is Dell Kerns. Gary Parnell will assist.

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SIR Annual Fishing Safari

Morro Bay Tuesday October 1, 2013, 8am to 2pm

Open to all SIR, relatives, and guests. Sign up with Reg Rosander for details by September 20th or sooner. Reg's phone 897-7394

SIRS 159 SEPTEMBER'S LADIES DATE NIGHT SHANGHI CHINESE CUISINE **4011 N. BLACKSTONE** (CORNER OF BLACKSTONE & GRIFFITH) WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2013 **5:30 DRINKS - 6:00 DINNER** REQUIREMENTS **CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE BE ON TIME PAY YOUR OWN BILL** YOUR NO-HOST COUPLE **RICH COLBY & PATTI O'NEIL** 260-5887 **CALL THEM FOR RESERVATIONS SPACE IS LIMITED**