

Date June 11, 2015

Place Pardini's Restraurant

2257 W. Shaw Avenue

The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program: Chris Curtice Fresno County Sherriff's Dept (Retired)

Social Hour 11:00 AM **Meeting: 12 Noon**

\$ 15 and no Buck Bucket

This will be a year of celebration and fun!

A salute to Lee Moy and his task force for planning a wing-ding 25th Anniversary Celebration in August, while we start the commemoration in June. Look forward to a special cake - and, if I get my way, two cakes and ice cream -



Big SIR Charlie

somewhere along the way. All this, and interesting speak- sion of caring regret upon a loss. ers too!

But the monthly luncheons are not the only way to enjoy joy each moment in the company of our fellow barnyard Sons In Retirement.

As we head into summer, we also head into the heart of the Let's have a barrel of fun this summer! recreational season, with its new opportunities for fellowship through play. As it turns out, play is a pretty big deal. Google "play" and just check out the high-powered quotes you get! Stuff like Ralph Waldo Emerson saying, "It is a happy talent to know how to play." Or George Santayana saying, "To the art of working well, a civilized race would add the art of playing well."

Or C. K. Chesterton even going so far as to say, "The true object of all human life is play."

I thought so!

The next time someone says you fish, bowl, or play golf too much, quote these, and the other similar sayings like over in Old Avenal them, back at the critic. Play, as it turns out, is both neces- never sary and noble! It is an essential adjunct to friendship. than Friendship and play are what the Sons In Retirement are all nod...that I about, because it is in this very way that we savor the re- remember. wards of retired life.

On a more somber note, however, I am told that nine of our fellow roosters have passed on since the first of the year. Sometimes, we don't find out about things until it is a little

late. We need, I think, to convey our sympathies to the families, with whatever comfort we can get into our condolences, as soon as possible.

I therefore ask all roosters with knowledge from any source of the loss of a colleague to immediately contact sunshine chairman Sir Ron Wilson, or myself or Perry, as the situation permits. I think we would all appreciate it if the branch could send a speedy while thoughtful expres-

But, enough on that subject! Be now also resolved to enbantams as we strut into the mid-section of the year.

Fathers, welcome to our SIRs lunch. Yes...that's most of us cocky old birds and fine feathered fertile fellows

Old Roosters... keep strutting, crowing, and staying bushy tailed and looking sharp. Aren't you...your favorite magnificent old bird? Why not have



Little SIR Perry

a toast to yourself at our Pre-Father's Day Lunch at the SIR Pardini's Barnyard.

Father's Day passing We took for granted. Only looking back...do

June Menu

Grilled Lemon & Garlic Chicken **Ground Sirloin Steak Scalloped Potatoes** Garlic Green Beans Caesar Salad Fresh Fruit Display Rolls & Butter Coffee, Tea, & Decaf **Assorted Desserts**

Come Celebrate our Silver Anniversary this Month

I appreciate all that he taught us, three brothers. He took the job done well. time to play ball with us, teach us the fundamentals of sports, of work, ethics, responsibility and the joy of living an adventurous life. Thanks again, Pop.

Shane and his crew of volunteers once again facilitated our special Lady's Dining experience with excellent results. The entertainment was a big foot tapping hit.

for the Fresno County Sherriff's Dept. as our speaker. My past newspaper assignments for informational graphics, witness drawings and court room sketches sometimes brought me in contact with officer Curtice. Chris was always professional, respectful, sharp and a good at getting

I am looking forward to seeing him and hearing his presentation. Guys...you will like him.

Hey, be the Cock-of the-walk. Strut with your Chic out to dine on Ladies Date Night, June 11. Have fun and enjoy your new and old dining friends.

Be a Good Buddy and invite a friend you admire to join us for We have Chris Curtice, retired informational officer lunch. He will be charmed by our magnificent strutting and crowing. Remember to tell your caller and count your guest for the correct food count.

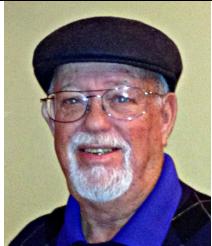
> July's speaker will be Grizzly GM Derek Franks. Yes, we have my Avenal Baseball Guy.

SIR OF THE MONTH REG ROSANDER

Reg Rosander was born in San Mateo, CA back in 1942. Reg observes that much has changed in his home town since then. He grew up in a middle-class neighborhood, a modest home, in a working family. Reflecting back to those times, Reg says that house, his home, was purchased at around \$4000 back then. It's gone through several owners since then. But it was sold recently for a bit over \$1,000,000! San Mateo was a relatively small town of 40,000 then; today it's nearly one million. But we know that

back then, Silicon Valley was not on the horizon, and the changes we see today could not have even been predicted.

San Mateo was a great place in which to grow up, says cotton pests. Reg. Schools were great. He attended grade school thru high School and graduated in 1960. San Mateo was a place where kids were safe, challenged with many options for this growing lad. He, among other things, was a Eagle Scout. Scouts was consistent with his love of 'nature'. This love of nature would carry him through a lifetime of all things 'nature'. Reg entered San Jose State with the intention of attaining a Secondary credential in science and coaching. He also served 3 years in Air Force ROTC. His major: Entomology. "Nature' persisted. His Minor: Coaching. Discussion of his 'Coaching' minor gives Reg a chance to relate a myriad of stories of many known athletes with whom he encountered as a result. But his major led him to his profession for the rest of his working life, which also led to a



Chair in the Entomological Society of America.

Rosander took a job with the USDA Pest Control Agency in 1965. What did he deal with? Pests! No, not the human kind, but the insect kind! This was plant pest control - in a big way! In agriculture, control of pests is paramount to success. Important is the types of pests that must be dealt with; but also the chemicals applied to control pests. Reg dealt with both. He initially worked in Tucson, Arizona for a

number of years. While there, he took time to attend the University of Arizona and receive an M.S. Degree in Entomology with a specialty in Biological Pest Control of

After some years, working in Indio and Washington state he moved to Bakersfield in 1972 where he rose to be in full charge of the USDA pest control efforts covering an area throughout southern areas of California and beyond. For example, in the southern San Joaquin Valley, he addressed pest issues regarding cotton. In the Los Angeles Basin, he headed up a massive program to eliminate the Med-fly infestation that was faced in the '70s and 80's. We remember formations of helicopters spraying insecticides night after night (from 10PM to 3AM Reg tells me) until the infestation was controlled. He actually flew in these forays. In fact, he tells us, one night flying over the Compton area, his aircraft was fired upon by a homemade missile which penetrated his aircraft. That was enough for him. He moved on!

Among other challenges, he was heavily involved in a program of developing a more natural way of 'killing off' these pests - the Med-fly. Sterilized flies were bred in Hawaii, spread across the infested areas to mate with the invader to produce no off springs! Little-by-little, control gains over the infestation.

His final years were spent in Sacramento heading up a good part of the State's pest control efforts. He held the position of Port Director for California until his retirement in 1996.

Reg Rosander came to this area, Kingsburg, to farm and live in a farm house owned by the family since 1900. Think about it; this house is over 100 years old! 22 acres and the canal were purchased for \$500.00. This now became Reg's role to work. And work them he did. He had a vineyard, blueberries, and Tall Bearded Irises. But it was in 2003, while playing golf that he heard about an organization of retirees called "SIR"; it was Branch #159. Sir Gary Patton told him about it, and invited him to a luncheon. He then sponsored Reg. A number of steps led him to becoming Little Sir and then, of course, Big Sir in 2008. He has also held positions as Director, Chairman of ticipated in bowling.

Reg Rosander reflects on a couple of things his father once impressed upon him:

- 1. "To be a successful organization requires you to participate in it!" Reg believes strongly in this principle. If you're going to join a club, a group, an organization, then do something for it. Take on a job in it, work for it. You will reap the rewards! Don't just sit around and watch everyone else do it.
- 2. " Members should endeavor to meet one new member at each meeting of the organization!" makes a point of moving from table to table at our luncheon meetings to find at least one person - a member whom he has not met He introduces himself to this member and gets acquainted. Newly joined members welcome this informal greeting and s special welcome to SIR Branch #159.

Reg is the proud father of three sons, all married. All sons and wives are educated with 4 of the 6 being educa-

tors. 3 have achieved advanced degrees. One serves as Principal of a school in Bakersfield. He, Reg, 'Grandfather,' and 'Great Grandfather', feels most proud when telling of his 5 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Congratulations, Reg.

Reg Rosander is a valued member of Branch #159. He has given to this organization, and is serious about his membership. He understands what it takes for an organization like this to succeed. He works at making SIR Branch #159 a success! Thank you Reg; we need more like you!!! - George Giannopoulos -

Golfers Corner

Branch 159 will be celebrating its 25th anniversary in June 2015. Congratulations! It's no secret that we have an active golf membership and a dedicated team who make our golf events fly weekly.

In 2015, Branch 159 will cleardot.gif ¬account for over 2,600 regular rounds of golf in the Fresno/Madera area, not to mention the thousands of range ball buckets, the purchases of golf equipment, and consumption of food and beverages at the venues. In addition several of our members enjoy competing at the next level and they participate the Fishing Group, served on the Golf Committee and par- in NCGA Associate and SIR State events representing the Branch throughout local qualifiers and finals.

> We can be proud of our Branch 159 where golf is fun, friendly while challenging.

> Rich Zanarini has been our Monthly Chairman for May, and will extend for the first two events in June. What a great example of volunteer work! Doing a great job collecting the money as Assistant was Joe Montejano.

> In June we'll be handing out the January to May Script vouchers. Thanks to our treasurer, Rich Lewis, who has kept an accurate weekly count of the money. also serve as our monthly chairman for the last two events in June.

> Our Annual Ron Rich match play tournament is advancing very well. Thirty-two players signed up. Round1, they were only 16 left and now only 8 will battle for the 4 Flights championship; the Tournament Championship match is scheduled early July.

> We're also in the process of ordering new quality golf polo shirts (polyester moisture free wicking, and a lite 65%

poly-35%cotton blend) from a new supplier, with SIR 159 GOLF embroidered, for around \$20. Please check with SIR Dale Kerns for further info and ordering.

Food "fore" thoughts.... The USGA Handicap System enables golfers of all skill levels to compete on an equitable basis. All reportable games (such as Individual, Four players' score automatically posted by the Scoring Chair- Volkman. man. For all reportable rounds played outside of SIR 159, however, it becomes the player's duty to verify that his score is posted, whether he has played 9 or 18 holes. Any golf course GHIN computer, usually located in the pro shop, is available for this purpose and the staff can help. You may also use your own computer and log on NCGA.com. or simply go to our branch golf web page and click on "Report a Score". Except for tournaments,

The players who do not post scores or post inaccurate scores, even by confusion or ignorance, are cheating and/

hurting the integrity of the handicap system. The NCGA authorize club's any golf committee take numerous actions for dealing

with mem-

Chairman Rich Zanarini (week 1&2)

Branch 159 May Golf Schedule

Phone 251-2306 Chairman Rich Lewis (week 3&4)

Phone 392-9950 8AM SG

Thur 6/4 Belmont G&CC Wed 6/10 8AM SG Madera G&CC Thur 6/18 8AM SG **Eagle Springs** Thur 6/25 8AM SG Airways Thur 7/2 8AM SG Pheasant Run Wed 7/8 Madera Muni 8AM SG

bers who do not post accurate scores. These options include posting low penalty scores, reducing the golfer's handicap index, suspension, even ouster from the NCGA. In addition, the NCGA may on their own reduce a golfer's handicap index, based on what they see, even if the golfer win.

Area 29 Golf Trip

A great time was had by all on Area 29's first out of town golf trip in 2015. On Tuesday, April 28th, two foursomes teed off at Poppy Ridge in Livermore (Poppy Ridge is the sister NCGA course to Poppy Hills in Monterey). Attending were Don Corley, Butch Evans, Mike Fair, Duke Mar-Ball, 4Man2BB) organized by Branch 159 will have the shall, Jim Morgan (and wife Annie), Mike Moyle and John

> Volkman shot the low gross for the day on the Merlot/ Chardonnay combination of nines (PR has 27 holes). After golf, food and libations were enjoyed at the nice restaurant on site. That night our group spent the evening at various locations in the bay area. Some of the guys took advantage of the Fresno State baseball team being in the vicinity and went to watch the baseball game between the Bulldogs and Bears at Cal.



The next morning we met at Harding Park in the City to watch the 1st round of the 2015 World Golf Championships - Cadillac Match Play. Joining us was Ken Felton from SIR Branch 6, Castro Valley. What a treat to watch some of the best professional golfers in the world warm up and compete against each other (see enclosed pictures) was lucky and had a few great low rounds. The NCGA Amazing to sit by the green and watch these guys tee off does not validate the idea that a player gets serious only 350 yards away on the slightly uphill 16th hole (Day and during tournament, because every round counts. There- Johnson were able to hit the green). Enjoyable also to fore, it's every golfer's duty to post his/her recordable come back to Fresno and watch the next 4 days of the tourscore. If you play with golfers who do not post their score, nament on TV, with the added insights of having been remind them of their duty. If we all post all of our report- there and knowing the holes and course layout. The numable scores accurately as required by NCGA, our tournaber 1 player in the world, Rory McIlroy, ended up defeatments will more fairly reflect those who truly deserve to ing Gary Woodland on Sunday afternoon to claim the

championship.



Mark your calendar now for June 28th and 29th. We're planning another overnighter, this time to the Senior Men's U.S. Open to be held at the Del Paso CC in Sacramento. Plans are to carpool to watch the final round on Sunday the 28th, spend the night, then play Haggin Oaks or another Sacramento based



course on Monday morning before returning home. More details will be forthcoming.

Callers Corner

We are still looking for a few good men who will be willing to give up 35 minutes of the month to serve as a caller for the good old 159th. We need help to provide an accurate head count which is very important to the integrity of our branch.

Ron Travis

Digital Media/Computer Group

The Digital Media/Computer Group will meet on the third Tuesday June 16'th from 11am -12am at the Woodward Park Regional Library 944 East Perrin Ave. This is earlier than our usual 1pm because the River Room was booked. Bring your favorite Apps and issues to discuss. July, August, and September

will likely be a Summer Break.

Roger Deal, Roger.Deal@Comcast.net

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Quiet time on the Sunshine desk this month. If it means all is well and all roosters are feeling plucky, good! If it means there are fallen soldiers and I'm not hearing

about it, not so good. Meanwhile, Stan Littleworth's elbow is healing and George Gruner is still down.

Remember to let me know if you hear of an ill or injured fellow SIR.I'm at;ronwilson7777@outlook.com and 960-8294 *Ron Wilson Sunshine Chairman*.

Attendance Report

In May, 2015, SIR Branch #159 had 255 active members. Attendance is not recorded on Ladies'Day The luncheon was attended by 51 members and their guests. Total attendance at that luncheon was 99 members and guests. 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

Bowling News

The Sir's bowling league is active and rolling. Come join in the fun on Friday afternoon at 1:00 pm. Cost is \$7 for 3 games. Check the data on the Sir's 159 Bowling Page. Just click on the bowler icon.

Starting June 5 we turn into a summer league, nothing else changes, just a few missing bowlers from time to time. What a great way to get out of the valley heat for a couple hours.

With the completion of the League for the 2014/2015 season here are some notables: (1) Most improved bowler (last years- this year) Tom Simpson with an improvement of +8 pins, followed by Duke Marshall +7, and Terry Schneider at +4.(2) Don Corley took honors in the 2-week notap with a total of 1270, followed by Bill Ripley(Br.175) at 1224. (3) High scratch game went to Ed Beier at 247. (4) High handicap game was Vic Froehmer at 268. (5) High scratch series(3-games) went to Ed Beier with 664.(6) High handicap series went to Vic Froehmer with 701. (7) High average for regular attendees was Duke Marshall at 171.

Bowling Scores for Apr.- May

<u>17-Apr</u> Hi H Series Vic Froehmer	701	159 Hi S Series	Vic Froehmer	581	159
Hi H Game Vic Froehmer	262	159 Hi S Game	Vic Froehmer	222	159
24-Apr Hi H Series Tom Harlan	634	175 Hi S Series	Tom Harlan	519	175
Hi H Game Tom Harlan	214	175 Hi S Game	Duke Marshall	181	159
1-May Hi H Series Jim Whitmer	629	159 Hi S Series	Tom Harlan	507	175
Hi H Game Jim Whitmer	242	159 Hi S Game	Merle Knapp	203	175
8-May Hi H Series Don Corley	700	159 Hi S Series	Don Corley	616	159
Hi H Game Don Corley	254	159 Hi S Game	Don Corley	226	159
15-May Hi H Series Rich Lewis	646	159 Hi S Series	Duke Marshall	539	159
Hi H Game Rich Lewis	231	159 Hi S Game	Don Corley	203	159



Little SIR Perry at Ladies Day

PARTY! PARTY! "DATE NIGHT"

MARIE CALLENDER'S

CORNER OF SHAW AND CEDAR

(across from Fresno State)

Wednesday June 17

Happy Hour -5:30/ Dinner-6:00

WE HAVE A PARTY ROOM BEHIND

THE BAR ON THE WEST SIDE

(IF ITS TOO NOISY; IT'S OUR OWN FAULT)

ALL FUNSTERS CALL

Your hosts

MIKE & KAREN WILLIAMSON

(a)

251-3103 or mdw93727@yahoo.com



Ladies Day Gathering at Pardini's on May 14



If you can do this, then give it a go...



Contact

SIR 159 Rill Leavitt 917-0025 demo day-time-location



Lee Moy, SIR 159 T.E.A. eeHealthStudio@gmail.com

Travel & Activities Fun Stuff

















July Menu

Sliced Tri-Tip Au Jus **BBQ** Chicken Breast **Red Potato Salad Ranch Style Beans Green Salad & Fruit Salad** Rolls & Butter

July Speaker

Grizzly GM Derek Franks

June Birthdays

Jack Begley, Pete Berman, Edward Castanon, Daryl De Rouchey, Jim Dorgan, Richard Fimbres, Rick Flores, Ron Jones, Allen Layne, John Leal, Bill Lyons, Mike Moyle, MerlePetersen, StanSilva, Bernie Stepanek, Mike Williamson, Fred Wrazel, **JohnWright**

June Anniversaries

Wanda & Jack Begley Angela & John Briceno Julia & Don Corley Susan & Bill Coyle Jane & Michael Cunningham Martha & Roger Deal Becky & Tom Dougherty Myrtle & Estle Finney Delores & Tom Gallardo Hilda & Charles Jaurigue Betty & Bob Knebel LuAnn Joy & Michael Levine Mi & Lee Moy Stephanie & Shane Petersen Evelyn & George Rurik Sharon & Tom Ryno Harriet & Jim Sheldon Bernice & Gus Short Sharon & Bernie Stepanek Nancy & John Wright Marjorie & Jim Wulf

Mary & Rich Zanarini

Bridge Scores

May 5 1st. Allen Bertelsen, 2nd. Jack Leonard, 3rd. Fred Wrazel, 4th. Jim Lund, 5th. 6th. Ron Russ Mott

Vieira, 7th. Gene Tognazzini Consolation: George Rurik

High score: 3430 High table: 1180 Allen Bertelsen

PLEASE note!! We will not meet to play bridge



I was sitting at a long stoplight yesterday, minding my own business and patiently waiting for it to turn green, even

though there was no on-coming Traffic.

A carload of bearded, young, loud Muslims, shouting Anti-American Slogans, with a halfburned American Flag ducttaped on the trunk of their Car, and a "Remember 9-11" slogan spray painted on the side, was stopped next to me.

Suddenly they yelled, "Allah Akbar! Praise Allah!" and took off before the light changed.

Out of nowhere, an 18-wheeler came speeding through the intersection and ran directly over their car, crushing it completely and everyone in it.

For several minutes I sat in my car thinking to myself, "Man....that Could have been me!"

So today, bright and early, I went out and got a job as a truck driver

The Theory of the Dark Sucker



For years it has been assumed that an electric bulb emits light, but recent research has shown otherwise. Researchers conducting tests at the largest and most prestigious universihas mass and is heavier than light and proves the dark is faster the dark leave the closet! than the light.

suck dark and send it through wires to the power company Remember, It's a dark sucker, not a light bulb! where they must grind it in their generators to get rid of it. For example, take the dark sucker in the room you are in, there is much less dark right next to the dark sucker than there is elsewhere. The larger the dark sucker, the greater its' capacity to suck dark. Dark suckers in a parking lot have a much greater capacity than the ones in this room. As with all things, dark suckers don't last forever; even though the dark is sent back to the power company, the filters on the dark sucker can become clogged and as a result they can no longer suck dark. Once the filter has clogged, it cannot be cleaned and must be replaced. This is proven by the black spot on the dark sucker when it no This is what transpired... longer sucks.

white wick, but, you will notice that after the first use, the wick is blackened, representing all of the dark which has been Dr. Young: --- Aaagh !! -- "This is Gasoline!" sucked into it. If you put a pencil next to the wick of a primitive operating dark sucker, it will turn black because it got in the way of the dark flowing toward the wick. One disadvantage of these primitive dark suckers is their limited range. Since there are no wires to send the dark to the electric company, it is stored in the wick. When the density of the wick increases to a Dr. Young: "I have lost my memory, I cannot remember anycertain point, it creates a "black hole" and collapses into itself; thing." thus, becoming nothing when it has sucked all it can suck.

There are also portable dark suckers. In these, the dark is stored in dark storage units. When these units become full, they must be emptied or replaced before the portable sucker can be Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your memory back. used again.

Dark has mass! When dark goes into a dark sucker, friction from the mass generates heat as it passes into the bulb; therefore, it is not wise to touch an operating dark sucker as it may Doctor Young: "My eyesight has become weak. I can hardly burn you. Candles present a special problem in that the mass see !!!!" must travel into the solid wick and it collides with the other Dr. Geezer: "Well, I don't have any medicine for that so here's dark already there; therefore, this generates a great amount of your \$1000 back." heat.

Also, the dark is heavier than the light. If you swim just below the surface of a lake, you will see a lot of light. If you were to slowly swim deeper and deeper, you would see more dark. When you got really deep you would see all dark. This proves that dark is heavier than light because dark sinks down and light floats to the top. This is why we call it "light".

Finally, we must prove that dark is faster than light. If you ties have proven that electric bulbs do not emit light but that were to stand in a room with the dark not sucked out and were they suck dark; thus, we should call these bulbs dark suckers also standing in front of a closed dark closet. Now, slowly open not light bulbs. The dark sucker theory establishes the basis for the closet door. You will notice that the light slowly enters the the existence of dark suckers. The theory also proves that dark closet; but since the dark is so fast, you will not be able to see

In conclusion, we have proved beyond a shadow of doubt the First, the basis of the dark sucker theory is that electric bulbs dark sucker theory. So, the next time you use an electric bulb –



An old geezer, who had been a retired farmer for a long time became very bored. He tried golf and loved it, he couldn't give it up,-- but it wasn't enough, so he opened a medical clinic and put a sign up outside that said: "Get your treatment for \$500, if

not cured get back \$1,000."

Doctor "Young," who was positive that this old geezer didn't know beans about medicine, thought this would be a great opportunity get \$1,000. So he went to Dr. Geezers clinic.

Dr. Young: I can't taste anything.

A candle is a primitive dark sucker. A new candle has a Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in Dr. Young's mouth."

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You've got your taste back. That will be \$500."

Dr. Young gets annoyed and goes back after a couple of days figuring to recover his money.

Dr. Geezer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth."

Doctor Young: "Oh no you don't, that is Gasoline!"

That will be \$500."

Dr. Young (after having lost \$1000) leaves angrily and comes back after several more days.

Dr. Young: "But this is only \$500..."

Dr. Geezer: "Congratulations! You got your vision back! That will be \$500."

Moral of story: Just because you're "Young" doesn't mean that you can outsmart an old "Geezer" who loves to play golf!!!!