



The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Date August 11, 2016

Place Pardini's Restaurant
2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Program - Jaime White, FSU Women's Basketball coach

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Meeting : 12 Noon
\$ 15 and no Buck Bucket

Cool shade-hunting Roosters...we will gather in August at Pardini's for our SIR lunch....maybe getting lucky with a winning ticket for a bottle of wine. All cool.

Over there in Avenal...August afternoons, unusually found us in the fine new Avenal swimming pool. Evenings we had softball and on Saturdays it was the show. No TV sets in Avenal then.

Pop took his vacations during the summer during low tides. We all loaded up and went clamming or abalone picking. We camped in Grandpa Perry's little Cayucos cabin and fished off the pier, explored the tide pools and swam off the beach.

We have never stopped those visits to Cayucos with kids, grand kids and great grand kids. But now we rent some nice houses.

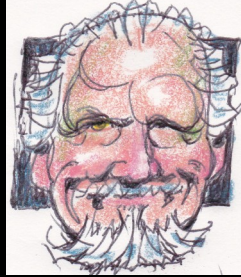
Yeah...back here in Fresno...as your Big Sir, we are staying the course with efforts to evolve and improve your SIR #159.

Little Sir, Gary Smith has interesting speakers lined up and his SIR RAMP teams are expanding choices of activities and we are bringing in new members who do find new friends.

So...some of you signed up for several new activities that were suggested to your Little SIR. Follow up. Join in and have fun.

Hey...you will find the Fresno State Planetarium to be an exceptional experience. Contact Lee Moy to join your fellow SIRs on an amazing tour he is putting together.

Just a reminder... SIR #159 continues to reward SIR recruiters of new members with a well-earned complimentary lunch. **Card players and board-gamers...** join Jim Whitmer and **(Big SIR continued to page 2)**

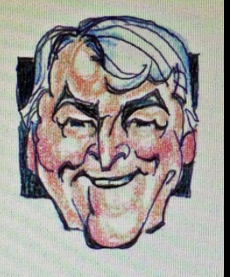


Big S IR Perry

Every once on a while after drolling on and on over something I find interesting, I look over at Jeanette and see that look, "Gary, land the plane!" I have learned that she is invariably right and for the sake of my imprisoned audience I try to make my landing a quick, full stop. It is because of my enthusiasm for whatever the topic that makes the look necessary. I saw that enthusiasm in Dr. White last month. His talk on the space program was full of great energy, information and enthusiasm and I was sorry that I had to ask him to "land the plane." Many of you stayed another half hour to hear more and would have been happy to have had him speak for another hour.

If you are one of them, you will have your chance. Lee Moy, our overworked travel guy has set up a planetarium visit for us in August. The details are in this issue. The price will be a maximum of \$10. If we have more than 15 go, the price will be reduced. Please put this on your schedule and bring your friends. It's not to be missed. I have never met a person who has been to a planetarium without being impressed. And just think, if we have 500 people go, it will cost less than 35 cents.

Next month we will be changing gears. The speaker will be Coach Jaime White, the Fresno State woman's basketball coach. I am hoping that she brings one of her players with her. Years ago when I envisioned myself as a great basketball player (Jabar the Hut) I was matched up with one of the local woman's college basketball players in a game of four on four. I decided to take it easier on her since she was only a girl. A half hour later, nursing both my bruises and my ego, I had developed a high regard for woman's basketball. **(Little SIR continued on Page 2)**



Little SIR Gary

Be A Friend - Bring a Friend

(Big Sir continued from page 1) Bridge Chairman Vic Froehmer who are expanding bridge to partner with Cards and Board Games.

Contact Vic or Jim and bring your ladies, guests, cards and games to join them.

If you are interested in more social interaction and fun, see the inside page of your SIR directory. It has our list of activities. Call your Chairman and meet more like-minded SIRs. Let's have more fun.

Bring a guest or sponsor a new member and be sure to tell your caller for our food count. Please introduce him to your Big Sir, Activity Chairmen and an ambassador. Help get him to know some new best friends.

(Little SIR continued from page 1) This one should be interesting, Coach White led the ladies to the NCAA last year and should do the same again this year.

At this luncheon we will be electing a new Little Sir and two new directors to the Branch Executive Committee. We have had a nominating committee which has proffered a slate of candidates which you can see in this issue. However, and this is a big however, the slate is not final. I know that you all have people in mind who you think would be good in those positions. If you do, please nominate your candidate of choice either by contacting me, the Big Sir or by placing his name in nomination at the luncheon. If there are no further nominations, we will elect the slate by voice vote. As we speak, Butch "Big Wind" Evans is in the process of manually blowing up 150,000 balloons for the gala balloon drop after the election.

New Members

Each month when we induct new members we will ask them to give us a little info about themselves and we will put that in the Chanticleer along with their picture. In a group with over 200 members it can be easy to get lost in the shuffle. So please, get to know the newest members, introduce yourselves to them at the next luncheon and help get them involved. Let them know that we consider it a privilege that they have chosen to spend some time with us.



Bios
Bill R. Jones
Retired from
IBM
Previously employed at
Bank of America,
Coldwater Creek,
American Golf
and Coeur D'Alene
Golf Resort.



Larry A. Henricksen
Retired from Clovis
Unified School District
Teacher, Coach,
Athletic Director
Looking forward to
golfing with my new
"SIR" Friends

We are attempting to bring new activities to the table and have had some success. The History Roundtable had its first meeting on the 19th of July and, if the results are any indication, this one should be great. Did you know that the earthworm was brought to the new world by the Europeans? I don't know how I got through 70 years without knowing that one. Come to the next lunch for a freewheeling discussion on history and learn some stunning facts like that. Details are in this issue.

Lee has started a singles lunch group. It is gaining momentum and should be fun. We may meet for lunch after the planetarium visit.

Two other groups stumbled out of the blocks. The Investment Group and the Gardening Group set up meetings. There were a fair number of SIR who indicated an interest in them, but the first meetings were lightly attended. Undaunted, Rich Lewis will press on until the Investment Group is the talk of Wall Street. I will press on until my tomatoes are the size of basketballs. We will succeed. Stay tuned for further developments.

As you may know, there was a rather unfortunate situation involving a member this last month. Without going into details, the member went inactive. It is the policy of this branch to be as accommodating as possible to our members. However, there are rules to which we must adhere and these rules are set out by the state. All members, especially those who may not be able to participate fully, should know the difference between Active, Inactive and Emeritus Membership. You may be considered an active member with Emeritus status, upon payment of the annual assessment, even if you cannot fully participate. There are certain conditions to Emeritus status. We want you at our

activities as much as you can participate, so rather than going inactive, please consider going “emeritus”.

Before signing off I want to leave you all with a challenge: For every guest we have at a luncheon, we bring in one new member. So if each member just brought **one** friend to a luncheon, our rolls would swell. So consider

this, I challenge each of you to bring one friend to a luncheon by the end of the year, then let's see what happens.

“Life would be infinitely happier if we could only be born at the age of eighty and gradually approach eighteen” - Mark Twain. But we weren't, so act like an eighteen year old but think like your eighty. See you all in August.

CARROLL R. DAHL –A Biographical Sketch

Meet **Carroll Dahl!** Long time SIR Branch #159 Meet **Carroll Dahl!** Long time SIR Branch #159 member, former school teacher, U.S. Army during the Korean War and just one real neat guy. Let's get some details.

Carroll was born in Fremont, Nebraska back in 1931. Well, actually he was born in Colorado, but the family moved to Nebraska when Carroll was 2 years old. He grew up in a family of 3 sisters and 2 brothers. It was here, in Fremont, that Dahl went to school from the grade levels right through high school. We will learn that school/education would play an important role in his life.

After high school, Dahl went on to college. He graduated from Midland College with a Bachelors' Degree in Mathematics. But no sooner had he finished college that that war out in the Far East, the Korean War, caught up with him. Carroll was drafted into the Army and began Basic Training over at Camp Roberts near Paso Robles. That was in 1952. Almost immediately, he found himself in Korea with the 2nd Infantry Division, heavily involved in operation of radios. The war was winding down. He found himself in an ‘occupation’ role, but still involved with the radio. Carroll would spend the rest of his 2-year ‘hitch’ there, in Korea. A number of other roles would occupy him, but all related to the radio. In fact, for a time, Dahl taught ‘Radio Operation’. He completed his term with the Army in 1954.

Carroll Dahl returned to Fremont, got a job teaching math for some three years. The drive for further studies took him to Graduate School. Where did he go? He went to the East Coast, to Boston College, way up there in Massachusetts. And what did he study? What else! Mathematics. He completed his studies with a Masters Degree and was set for achieving his goal of becoming a teacher of Math. But wait. Here at Boston College was another Math student, one who, too, received a Masters. Her name? Dorothy! She too would become a teacher of



Mathematics.

Carroll Dahl managed to find a teaching job out here in Corcoran, CA. He had reached his goal. The Class Room. The students. And Math. But - - and this is a big but; there was that girl he'd met back in Boston, the math student, the one who got her Master's in math as he did. They re-met, they married. That was in 1963. And that's a wonderful 50+ year marriage.

It would be some time later when Carroll was able to land a position at the relatively new high school here in Fresno, Bullard High School. It was there he would spend 30 years teaching Algebra, Fundamentals of Calculus, and some Geometry. With his math teacher wife, they raised two daughters. Carroll retired from teaching in 1991.

Carroll wound down by reading, traveling, and in some instances, aided and assisted a Flower Shop owner/friend by delivering flowers. Travel took him/them to Tahiti, Canada, the Caribbean and other exotic places. He was also able to enjoy his grandchildren. But in the end, there was something lacking in his retirement. What could that have been. How about the camaraderie of fellow retirees?

Carroll met Jim Casner, one of the Founders of SIR Branch #159. He was invited to attend a luncheon with the Branch. This, of course, led to his joining up. This was back in 1992! The Branch had only then been formed. In fact, it was almost literally moments after the proposed Branch had been issued a qualified charter. Carroll Dahl was issued Badge #44! And it was at this first SIR Branch luncheon that he found the Speaker was one of his former students! How about that. We've not learned whether the speaker's talk was on mathematics!

So there you have it. Carroll Dahl has been a member for nearly the life of Branch #159. He has seen it develop, he's seen it grow and eventually become the 4th largest Branch in the State. He has held the position of Member of the Board of Directors several terms, has Bowled, has

played Bridge - Couples and Singles. He chaired Branch Travel. Asked about destinations he planned, scheduled and led over some 12 years, he answered by going down an impressive list of destinations. How about Cruises to Mexico, Canada via the St. Lawrence River (NYC to Montreal), excursions to Las Vegas, Reno, City of San Francisco (a tour including Alcatraz), Grand Canyon/Bryce Canyon/Zion, miscellaneous Ball Games in the Bay Area and more. But most important to Carroll, in his life as a SIR, was his meeting and socializing with the many members of this and neighboring Branches.

One highlight in the life of Carroll Dahl is his adventure with Central Valley Honor Flights. It was only a few days ago that he was able to board a plane here in Fresno with a bunch of veterans of WWII and the Korean War for a visit to Washington, D.C. There he and his fellow travelers visited sites such as the WWII Monument, the Korean War Memorial, that for the Viet Nam conflict, the U.S. Marine Corp Memorial and witnessed the changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery. All this took place over a three day excursion. Honor Flights was designed to honor those who served in the Military of the United States of America.

In conclusion, Gentlemen of SIR Branch #159, look around you. There are but a few who were here at or near the beginning - the formation of SIR Branch #159. One who was, one who embraced this Branch, a man who has contributed, one who has enjoyed the camaraderie of you all is **Carroll Dahl**. He has made a difference in this wonderful world of SIR Branch #159.

- *George N. Gianopulos* -

Editors Note We had an incident occur last month that requires that all members understand the definition of an inactive member and the rules that apply for an inactive member. (**RULE 90. A member who is unable to attend luncheon meetings due to prolonged illness, acting as a caregiver to a spouse or companion, or an extended absence from the Branch locale, may be moved from active to inactive status by action of the Branch Executive Committee after conferring with the member when possible. RULE 91. An inactive member may be a one-time guest at a regular monthly luncheon meeting or an in lieu function such as a special luncheon, dinner or picnic, but cannot be a guest in any other SIR activity. When he does attend such a function,**

he should be pressed to become reinstated to active membership. He shall have no other rights or privileges of membership except to receive the Branch bulletin. RULE 55. A Branch BEC may award Emeritus status to a member who cannot consistently attend monthly meetings, for reasons of health, caregiving, or being unable to drive. Emeritus status may be conferred to a requesting active SIR who has been a member for at least 10 years, and is 80

years old or older, or a member for at least 15 years and is 75 years old or older. (New 11/04/2014) Rule 55.1 Emeritus members attending branch luncheon meetings shall count toward the total number of members present, but absent Emeritus members would be exempt from Branch attendance requirements. Emeritus members are considered active, and therefore shall be eligible to participate in any SIR Branch activity. (New 11/04/2014) (Revised 04/08/15)

RULE 44. Membership requires no initiation fees. Authorized expenses of the Branch may be defrayed through dues or voluntary contributions. The amount of dues or a suggested amount for voluntary contributions shall be approved by the BEC. Fund raising events are not allowed. (Revised 11/17/00)(Revised 8/5/13)

Nominees for 2017

According to state rules, a nominating committee must present a slate of candidates for the positions of Little SIR and Director (2) for 2017. The following are those nominees:

Little SIR: Mike Rumley

Director: Duke Marshall

Director: Stu Poytress

Elections will be held at the August luncheon by voice vote and will include anyone nominated at the August luncheon prior to the vote.

Anniversaries

Birdie & Ray Allen
Berdie & Ed Beier
Lillian & Harry Buchaklian
Linda & Alan Bynum
Fran & Ray Cereghino
Dorothy & Carrol Dahl
Mary & Paul Gabrielson
Monica & Dana Hamparzoomian
Sue & Bill Hedman
Patty & Joe Huizar
Louise & Bob Jones
Sue & Mike Kilijian
Judith & Jim Knapp
Nancy & Bill Leavitt
Ann & Fred Lusk
Janis & Duke Marshall
Sharon & Warren Nelson
Karen & Jack Neugebauer
Anne & Michael Petrovich
Barbara & Jim Ruhl
Janet & Don Ryan
Carol & Lynn Streit
Denise & Steve Whitehead
Joan & Bob Zoldoske

Birthdays

James Bertram, Dave Betts,
John Brechmann, Dwaine Chambers,
Doug Duke, Dennis Ensminger,
Richard Graham, Scott Holmes,
Perry Huffman, Mike Jerkovich,
Dana Kahler, Mike Kilijian,
Bob Knebel, Bill Neal, Jim Peterson
Don Ryan Tom Simpson,
Bob Stenberg, John Volkman,
Ron Wilson, Russ Wyatt

Attendance Report

In July, 2016, SIR Branch #159 had 205 active members with 132 of those members attending the July 14, 2016 luncheon at Pardini's. This represents 65% of the active membership. Of the 70 members absent, 42 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 When you call or email please include your NAME and BADGE NUMBER Remember our lunch count depends on YOU responding to your caller and if plans change notifying either Ron Travis @322-1898 or myself, number above by **HIGH NOON of the MONDAY before** luncheon or ASAP!

*Duke Marshall,
Attendance Chairman*

Bridge Results

July 5 1st Jim Lund,
2nd Vic Froehmer, 3rd Ron Vieira,
4th Gene Tognazzini, 5th Hugh Cox
Consultation Fred Wrazel
High table 1,710
Jim Lund Ron Vieira
High score 5,330 Jim Lund
No bridge July 19

Computer Group

Due to heavy Library usage the Computer Group will not meet for August. However, in September the heavy Library Summer usage has passed and I have a reservation in process for September 20 (Third Tuesday) at 1PM.

Roger Deal

History Round Table Meeting

The inaugural SIR Branch 159 History Round-table was held on Tuesday, July 19 at the Yosemite Falls Cafe. The conversation was lively, humorous, fun and informative. A great time was had by all! The members present shared their historical perspectives on a wide range of topics of interest that they had been reading or studying about. The Colombian Exchange and its impact on World History, historical origins of the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution, the impact of Calculus on Western Civilization, and the short-lived congressional history of Davy Crockett made for a lively lunch session. Did you know that the earthworm was introduced into the Americas by the Spanish? Or, that there were two inventors of Calculus who came up with the math system, nearly simultaneously, without consulting each other?

The following was agreed on as far as how the History Round-table would function: In the "spirit of egalitarianism" the group would not have a designated leader as this would be somewhat counterproductive to the idea of a "round table." Also, that there would not be any religious or political proselytizing. But, that these topics could be discussed within a historical context. The study of History is one of shifting context and perspective therefore there is no "right" or "wrong" argument and all interpretations

are to be respected. The Tuesday after the SIR;s luncheon at 11:00 AM seems to be a date and time that works for those who were present. The centralized location with it's amble room, senior menu, and not to mention it's excellent service makes the Yosemite Falls a permanent meeting place. Our next Round-table will be Tuesday, August 16th at 11:00 AM at the "Falls" The task is simple. Report back to the Round-table a historical topic, tale or story that you have been reading about or studying and share with the group.

Mike Rumley

Branch 159 August Golf Schedule

Chairman Steve Chase 252-2600

Thur	8/4	8AM	SG	Riverside
Wed	8/10	8:30	SG	Madera CC
Thur	8/18	8:30	SG	Airways
Thur	8/25	8AM	SG	Sherwood
Thur	9/1	8AM	SG	Madera Muni
Wed	9/7	9AM	SG	Pheasant Run
Thur	9/15	9AM	SG	Ridge Creek
Thur	9/22	9AM	SG	Belmont CC
Thur	9/29	9AM	SG	Dragon Fly

Area 29 Golf

July was a busy month for our 159 golfers who enjoy playing competitive golf other than our regular weekly match.

Dragonfly was the site of our Area 29 qualifier to go forward in this years SIR Individual State Championship. The following individuals qualified to move forward to the SIR Division 5 qualifier to be held at Pheasant Run in Chowchilla on Tuesday, August 16th.

Flight 1...Hushek, Nichols and Phillips
 Flight 2...Mattson, Matossian and Soliday
 Flight 3...Ensminger, Price and Merz
 Flight 4...Boguski, Henricksen and Marshall
 Flight 5...Briceno, Hamparzoomian and Lewis
 Flight 6...Pezzi, Harris and Kerns
 Flight 7...Leavitt, Williamson and Fimbres
 Any of the individuals listed above who qualify at the Division 5 match will move on to the SIR Individual State Championship to be played at Laguna Seca CC. An open play or practice round will be held on Monday, October 17. The Championship round along with more open play will be on Tuesday the 18th.

On July 21st, Belmont CC was the site for our last SIR 159 NCGA Associate Club qualifier for 2016. The 4th and final Associate Club competition, the Net Amateur, is the only format that is played on an individual, fully handicapped basis. Because SIR 159 has over 100 golfers who carry NCGA handicaps, we are allowed to send 6 individuals forward to the sectionals. In our largest turnout ever, we had 15 golfers vie for

Sir's Best Bowling for July

The Sir's bowling league is active and rolling. Come join in the fun on Friday afternoon at 1:00 pm. Cost is \$8 for 3 games. Check for updates on the Sir's 159 Bowling Page. Just click on the bowler icon.

DATE		NAME	SCORE	BRANCH
1-Jul	Hi Hdcp. Series	Tom Harlan	617	175
	Hi Scratch Series	Daryl Derouchey	567	159
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Tom Harlan	246	175
	Hi Scratch Game	Tom Harlan	216	175
8-Jul	Hi Hdcp. Series	Hugh Cox	632	159
	Hi Scratch Series	Daryl Derouchey	538	159
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Hugh Cox	246	159
	Hi Scratch Game	Daryl Derouchey	190	159
15-Jul	Hi Hdcp. Series	Bill Ripley	639	175
	Hi Scratch Series	Duke Marshall	543	159
	Hi Hdcp. Game	James Noriega	232	159
	Hi Scratch Game	Duke Marshall	199	159
22-Jul	Hi Hdcp. Series	Tom Harlan	630	175
	Hi Scratch Series	Tom Harlan	537	175
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Tom Harlan	267	175
	Hi Scratch Game	Tom Harlan	236	175
29-Jul	Hi Hdcp. Series	Duke Marshall	666	159
	Hi Scratch Series	Duke Marshall	582	159
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Bill Ripley	246	175
	Hi Scratch Game	Bill Ripley	222	175

those 6 spots. (Good to see some of our newer golfers with a competitive bent!) The 6 low net golfers advancing to the sectional are Matossian, Smith, Kerns, Marshall, Chase and Beier. If any of these 6 golfers are successful at qualifying in the Sectional at Deer Ridge on September 1, they will advance to the two day Championship to be held at Poppy Ridge on Mon-Tues, October 3-4.

Squeezed in-between the 2 qualifiers mentioned above, only 3 SIR 159 golfers ventured to take on the heat while watching the final round of



this year's Women's U. S. Open. Duke Marshall, John Volkman and myself drove over to Corde-Valle Golf Resort (in San Martin, a few miles northwest of Gilroy) early on Sunday morning, July 10. We had a great time

watching the best female golfers in the world compete in the final round of their U.S. Open. Brittany Lang won the Championship in a 3 hole playoff against Anna Nordqvist. After an overnight stay at the dubious Quality Inn in Morgan Hill, we played



the Tournament Course at Coyote Creek on Monday. For anyone driving along U.S. 101, the course is visible on both sides of the freeway. What a challenge! Half the holes had waste or water areas that had to be carried over in the fairway and the slope on the greens was treacherous. If and when our games ever get better, we'll have to try this course again. :-)

Mike Moyle
Area 29 Golf Coordinator

Annual Catalina/Ensenada Cruise and Spring Baseball

It's that time of year again. Zinn & Moyle are starting to plan the 7th annual Catalina / Ensenada Golfing cruise.

Mark your calendars...always the day after the Su-



Going to Dinner on the Cruise 2016



per Bowl, the Carnival Inspiration will set sail on



Monday, February 6th, 2017. Leaving on Monday the 6th from Long Beach, the ship docks in Catalina on Tuesday (golf 9 hole course twice), in Ensenada Wednesday (golf Bajamar on the coast), spends a day at sea Thursday, and is back in Long Beach on Friday morning the 10th at 8:00 A.M. Last year the cruise was enjoyed by 39



SIR, family and friends. Look for the signup sheet and additional information at our August luncheon! :-)

In this year's April Chanticleer, I mentioned I'd send out a reminder concerning Spring Baseball and golf in March of 2017. Every March,



John Price, Duke Marshall, John Volkman, and Mike Moyle @ the Ball Park

Phoenix is the location for 14 Major League Baseball teams to conduct a month of warm up games/tryouts before the regular season starts in April. The teams playing practice games during March are the Diamondbacks, Cubs, Whitesox, Reds, Indians, Rockies, Royals, Dodgers, Brewers, A's, Padres, Giants and Mariners. So if you like baseball and one of the teams mentioned above is your favorite...Phoenix is the place to be in March. Phoenix also has many nice golf courses.

Last year I went with 3 of our SIR and enjoyed a week of baseball and golf. I think we played 4 courses and watched 4 games in a 7 day period. Pretty tired returning home...but what a great time!! :-) This year 7-8 of us have rented a 5 bedroom house with pool for a 10 day period (maybe not quite so hectic with more leisure time). Just to give you an idea, our individual cost for the 10 days rental will be \$344-\$393...this for a very nice 3200 square foot 'ranch house' in a gated community.

Two years ago I tried renting in January for

the following March. It was way too late and just the dregs at a high price were available. So now is the time to book a rental house for this coming March if you're at all interested.

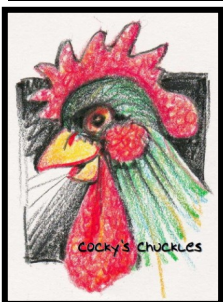


Duke Marshall, Mike Moyle , John Volkman, & John Price getting ready to do battle on the golf links

VRBO.com was the site we used to rent. Trip Advisor is an additional site you could try. There are lots of little details you should be aware of when planning your trip...what is the best week to select for viewing the games, where's a good location to rent in Pheonix (many suburbs with baseball stadiums spread all over the place), when do tickets for the games go on sale, what are some good, reasonably priced golf courses to play, etc. etc.

If you're interested in getting 4 SIR buddies together to try this experience, or perhaps two couples sharing a place...don't hesitate to give me a call and I'll pass on what I've learned from 3 trips so far.

Mike Moyle
Area 29 Golf Coordinator
(559) 244-9872



Perry's Pun ... I pulled into the crowded parking lot at the local shopping center and rolled down the car windows to make sure my Labrador Retriever Pup had fresh air. She was stretched full-out on the back seat and I wanted to im-

press upon her that she must remain there. I walked to the curb backward, pointing my finger at the car and saying emphatically, "Now you stay. Do you hear me?"

"Stay! Stay!"

The driver of a nearby car, a pretty young blonde, gave me a strange look and said,

(this is going to hurt but read on)

"Why don't you just put it in 'Park'?"

Travel

Open Invitation

Recently all SIR Fresno area 29 representatives met. The common theme: working together, and doing things together. To that end we are connecting and passing out information for all SIR members locally.

An "open invitation" is extended. We have a wonderful line-up of activities this month. Following on the heels of our most recent luncheon speaker, arrangements have been made to visit the FSU Planetarium. From comments that I have heard, this event will be a treat.

The Planetarium trip is planned for Tuesday, August 23, 1pm. We'll need at least 30 folks to make this a success. Please RSVP Lee Moy prior to the August 17th deadline.

Two days later (Thursday, August 25) everyone is invited to one of the final AAA baseball games of this year. Our locale Houston affiliate will host our former club. This Highway 99 rivalry will feature the Grizzlies vs the RiverCats. Besides this match-up being rather special, it happens to be Thirsty Thursday. Beer & baseball...."How sweet it is".*

Friday, August 26, 4 pm kicks off the annual Greek Festival. The newly comprised Single SIR Guys Luncheon seeks adventurous multi-cultural gourmet outings. To be more inclusive, WorldWide Foodies (formerly known

asSingle SIR Guys) wishes to welcome couples, too. After all the samplings, we plan to take a tour of the majestic Greek Orthodox Church.

Please enjoy all the offerings. *Jackie Gleason

What's in a Name?

Success, it seems, breeds more of the same. When word got around that the original Single SIR Guys Luncheon was a resounding hit, other members wanted to come to the next outing.

FYI: The next special event is slated at the beginning of the Greek Festival (4pm, Friday, August 26). Available are meals of pilaf, gyro, unique olives, shish kebab, and a variety of baklava desserts. Meals are around \$ 10 per plate. A free tour of St. George Greek Orthodox Church is scheduled at 6 pm.

Our monthly luncheons are a great time to meet & greet your fellow friends. Date Night is for everyone, especially married couples. For some without a partner and/or those who's vision is impaired at night, the idea of having something for members to meet during the safety of the day was thoughtfully considered.

To better recognize a more openness to all members notwithstanding their marital status, a name change from Single SIR Guys was being discussed. For now the name change is WorldWide Foodies. It also recognizes the second tenet of this gathering: seeking international cuisine/cultural experiences. All are welcomed.

Moving forward, feel free to join us for a meal or three. Whatever the name of the "group", don't call me late for lunch!

HOT

AUGUST

WEEK

All Fresno-Area 29-SIR Branches

Do you *really* have to go out with the guys again?!!



Fresno Greek Festival

Aug 26, Fri, 4 pm

**Orthodox Church Tour
Cultural Festive Eating
WorldWide Foodies**



FSU Dowling Planetarium

Aug 23rd, Tues, 1 pm

30 sign-ups needed

Grizzlies vs RiverCats

August 25, Th, 7 pm

\$ 14 pp; \$ 2 beers

-Highway 99 Series-

only 10 tickets available

RSVP: Lee Moy, Area 29 Travel, (559) 709-9851; LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com; **Deadline:** August 17th
Open to ALL Fresno-SIR Branches; Fellowship with friends & family.

Highway



Series

Fresno Grizzlies vs Sacramento RiverCats



"Thirsty Thursday" - 25 August 2016, 7pm
\$2 beers till the 6th inning; \$1 sodas

Chukchansi Park, Fresno
section 122 Row 6; \$ 14



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AUGUST 26, FRIDAY

WORLDWIDE FOODIES
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS SINGLE SIR GUYS)
EARLY BIRD-4 PM

&

ST. GEORGE CHURCH
FREE TOUR-6 PM

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\$ 7-10 MEALS
PILAF, GYRO, OLIVES
SHISH KEBAB, BAKLAVA



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