

The Chanticleer

Date June 8, 2017 Place Pardini's Restaurant 2257 W. Shaw Avenue New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org Program: Sharon Weaver, the Executive Director for the San Joaquin River Park Way Trust

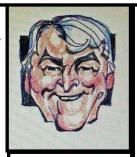
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Activities Calendar for June

| Date | Event | Contact |
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| June 5,12,19,26 | Whitmer's Warriors Golf | Steve Chase |
| June 6 | Texas Hold um Poker | Mike Levine |
| June 1,7, 15, 22, 29 | SIRs Golf | Gilbert Matossian |
| Dates later | Canoeing | Terry Byrne |
| June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | SIRS Bowling | Duke Marshall |
| June 6, 20 | SIR Bridge | Vic Froehmer |
| June 8 | SIRs Luncheon | Ron Travis (RSVP) |
| June 13 | History Roundtable | Mike Rumley |
| No Meeting | Technology | Roger Deal |
| No Meeting | Investments | Rich Colby |
| June 20 | Men's Luncheon Pad Thai Restaurant | Lee Moy |
| June 21 | Horseshoes | Rich Lewis |

Don't have sex, man. It leads to kissing and pretty soon you have to start talking to them. - Steve Martin

There are two kinds of people in the world. Jeannette and my mother are one type, the kind of people that can go up to a perfect stranger and be best friends in a minute or two



Big SIR Gary

I remember one time that my mother came to Fresno to visit. while waiting to get her bags, she mentioned that she had met some very nice, and very big fellow passengers on the flight from SFO. Just then I heard, "Can I get your bags for you, Bea. " I turned around and it was WWF wrestlers Rowdy Roddy Piper, and the British Bulldogs who were wrestling in Fresno that night. She had managed to become best friends in the 25 minute flight. Another time she actually organized a sing-along among commuters on (Big SIR continued on page 2)

It is amazing that the year is half over. It seems like a nanosecond ago I was teetering on the roof putting up Christmas lights. Now I am writing this article in my study in my swim suit with a cold beverage in hand. This past month seemed like it would never end. The family monetary reserve was chal-



Little SIR Mike

lenged by a "sick cat," a new backyard fence that was destroyed in the early May storm, the replacement of the truck's air conditioning system, and a new cell phone for my wife who "crushed" the old one rolling over it with her horse and carriage. May will be remembered also as an amazingly good month of SIR—functions as new things were tried but also as a sad month as we lost some members.

And speaking of the horse and carriage, a big thanks to my Phyllis, and the members from the Central Valley Harness (Little SIR continued on Page 2)

(Big SIR continued from page 1) a Washington, DC commuter bus From Silver Springs, Maryland.

Jeanette is the same way but she will read this so I won't betray any confidences.

Then there is the other type, you know the one who tends to stand off and let others carry the conversation. I fall in that category, and though I'm better now than I was, it is not often as easy to wade into a crowd of strangers, hands outstreched.

My point is this, we have many opportunities to meet men who, whether they know it or not, would love to be SIRs. Many of them may not be inclined to run up to us, shouting, "I WANT TO BE A SIR!" And many (perhaps most) of us may not be inclined to run up to them, hand outstreched and shout "WANNA BE A SIR?"

Why not swallow your reluctance, recognize the opportunity and, when we meet a potential member, let him know about SIR and what we have to offer. Maybe even buy him lunch. You may be like me. Your first inclination may be to look for someone else to carry the laboring oar, but brace up cupcake, you may just make a new best friend.

I want to thank our Little SIR Mike Rumley, John Crawford and all those who worked so hard to put on the Ladies Day Picnic. If you missed it, too bad you missed one of the best events of the year.

See you next week.

Dont'ask to walk behind me; I may not lead. Dont'ask to walk in front; I may not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend.- Albert Camus

May Birthdays

Howard Boston, John Briceno, Joe Cabral, Rich Colby, Steve Deak, Bob Doig, Bill Freeman, Ron Goering, George Gong, Ron Herleman, Russ Hewer, Dimitri Kostiw, Gordon Lowe, Richard Lulejian, Fred Lusk, Earl Medeiros, Warren Nelson, Jack Neugebauer, Manuel Nunez, Stuart Poytress, Art Rice, Mike Robinson, Gus Short, Lou Shuemake, Ben Tyson, Bill Valk, Jim Vaughan, Stan Weinstein, Bob Wiens, Ery Zander

(Little SIR continued from page 1) Association for their outstanding demonstration of Competitive Carriage Driving at the SIR,s picnic. Who will ever forget the "Leaping Mini" The SIR's family picnic supplanted our Ladies Day luncheon on May 11th out at Kearney Park. All those in attendance raved about the food, venue, and ambience that Kearney Park provided. The unanimous opinion from the participants is that this is going to be a keeper. If you were hesitant about coming talk to anyone who went and you will be joining us next year. A big thanks to John Crawford, my co-chair, who offered so much support to pull this off. Also, a tip of the whip to Del Kearns, Shane Peterson, and Rich Colby who put in overtime to make the picnic a success.

May also saw the first two Horseshoe "throw downs" and it now looks like we have enough participants to offer a throwing of the shoes twice a month. The man to contact is Rich Lewis to get on the email list. Right now the plan is to play twice a month on Wednesdays at Bicentennial Park in Clovis. This is a great chance to get a little exercise and some fellowship with your SIR friends. May also, was the month for the coastal fishing trip over to Morro Bay. A big thanks to Reg Rosander who put the trip together. Participants played a round of golf at the local golf course, never really figuring out the physics of how a downhill put can travel uphill. The next day out to the "bounding main." Reggie reported that fish were caught and no one "chummed" the fish. Lee Moy's Luncheon group feasted at Mimi's Café at the end of the month. Pictures from the luncheon are in the Chanticleer along with an invite to June's May 20th event at the Pad Thai Restrauant. RSVP Lee ASAP.

In May we lost one of our dear friends, Jim Whitmer. Jim started a Monday group of golfers that became known as Whitmer's Warriors. The Warriors had, and still do have, just fun playing the game of golf while adopting Jim's attitude. Mulligan's abound and scores are merely a suggestion. At the 15th hole a toast is given to all the fallen Warriors, and at the 19th hole, the first liar doesn't stand a chance. We are in the process of making a memorial to Jim to be placed on the 15th hole with a big thanks to Keith Berry from Riverside Golf Course and SIR Ron Wilson for spearheading the project.

June promises to be equally active. We have a special treat at the on (Little SIR continued on page 3)

June Birthdays

Pete Berman, Ed Castanon, Daryl DeRouchey, Rich Fimbres, Rick Flores, Ron Jones, Allen Layne, John Leal, Bill Lyons, Mike Moyle, Stan Silva, Bernie Stepanek, Mike Williamson, Fred Wrazel John Wright

May Anniversaries

Flo & Steve Deak
Gail & Larry Henricksen
Ginnie & Ron Herleman
Betty & William Laudig
Renee' & Roger McCoy
Diane & Gary Morgan
Kathryn & Richard Neilson
Shirley & Bob Rathburn
Carole & Jim Rodgerson
Mary & Jim Vaughan
Ruth & Stan Weinstein
Karen & Mike Williamson
Lydia & Melvin Wyatt

June Anniversaries

Angela & John Briceno
Jane & Michael Cunningham
Martha & Roger Deal
Hope & Steve Hernandez
Hilda & Charlie Jaurigue
Betty & Bob Knebel
LuAnn Joy & Michael Levine
Mi & Lee Moy
Stephanie & Shane Petersen
Bernice & Gus Short
Sharon & Bernie Stepanek
Paulette & Ben Tyson
Gina & Michael Ward
Nancy & John Wright

Marjorie & Jim Wulf Mary & Rich Zanarini

Bridge Results

May 2 1st Vic Froehmer, 2nd Fred Wrazel, 3rd Ron Rayburn, 4th Bob Cleveland, 5th Hugh Cox, 6th Bob Moore, 7th Russ Mott, 8th Gene Tognazzini, 9th Charles Ratliff, 10th George Rurik,

11th Jim Lund Consolation Janet Wrazel

High table 1,340 Vic Froehmer Fred Wrazel High score 4,460 Vic Froehmer

May 16 1st Vic Froehmer, 2nd Charles Ratliff, 3rd Janet Wrazel, 4th Gene Tognazzini, 5th Hugh Cox, 6th Ron Rayburn, 7th George Rurik, 8th Jim Lund, 9th Russ Mott, 10th Fred Wrazel 11th Bob Amato

Consolation Robert Moore High table 1,330 Vic Froehmer Charles Ratliff

High score 4,810 Vic Froehmer

May 30 1st Fred Wrazel, 2nd Bob Moore, 3rd Hugh Cox, 4th Russ Mott, 5th Charles Ratliff, 6th Bob Cleveland, 7th Jim Lund, 8th Gene Tognazzini, 9th Vic Froehmer, 10th Ron Rayburn, 11th Nancy Ratliff Consolation Janet Wrazel High table 1,450 Fred Wrazel Hugh Cox High score 4,220 Fred Wrazel

History Roundtable

SIRS held it's monthly roundtable session on Tuesday, May 16th at the Yosemite Falls Café. We had a good turnout.

(Little SIR continued from Page 3) June 8th. Sharon Weaver, the Executive Director for the San Joaquin River Park Way Trust will be our speaker. Her presentation will focus on the programs that have expanded to include outdoor opportunities for recreation for all ages. We will be working with Travel and Actives Chairman Terry Byrne and the Trust to set up a river canoe trip later in the year. Right now, the river is running too high and fast to take the canoes out. Mrs Weaver is planning on bring Mrs Coke Hallowell, the Chairman of the Board for the River Trust. This will be a real treat as Mrs. Hallowell is famous for her philanthropic efforts in our community.

June is also the start of summer vacation. That means that many SIRs and family will be taking to the road to see grandchildren or to take family vacations. This means a general decline in attendance at our functions. Some of our activities like the Roger Deal led Technology and Rich Colby led Investment Groups will be going on vacation too. For that reason, the calendar has been modified to include just the contact info for each chairman unless the editor knows the schedule. We will be still offering a full slate of activities in the summer months but the times and places may have changed so please contact the Activity Chairs to get an update on times and place.

Stay cool and have fun!

One of the great things about the Roundtable is finding out that our membership is so diverse in experiences and then having them share those experiences. New SIR, Tim Mcollum just returned from a month-long trip to Japan. His tour focused on the culture and history of the land of the "rising sun." His presentation was welcomed by the whole group and was quite revealing. We will be meeting in June on Tuesday the 13th at 11:00 AM at Yosemite Falls Café, Blackstone and Shaw. Please come and share your "history" experiences and enjoy a nice lunch to boot.

Branch 159 June Golf Schedule

Chairman Duke Marshall 447-5388

| Thur 6/1 8AM SG | Madera Muni |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Wed 6/7 8:30 SG | Lemoore |
| Thur 6/15 8:30 SG | Sherwood |
| Thur 6/22 8:AM SG | Riverside |
| Thur 6/29 8:AM SG | Airways |
| Thur 7/6 8:AM SG | Dragonfly |
| Wed 7/12 8:AM SG | Valley Oaks |
| Thur 7/20 9AM SG | Belmont CC |
| Thur 7/27 8:AM SG | Pheasant Run |

159 Golfers Corner

Thanks to Steve Chase, our May Monthly Chair, for making sure our golfers were on board. I know Steve will miss the late calls, the changes, so much fun ...

JUNE Schedule. Our Monthly Chairman is Duke Marshall. 159 Golfers, dont forget to regularly check our golf schedule available on our new and informative golf website. We'll have five regular weekly events (including one Novelty that Duke will set up), two NCGA branch qualifiers for the golfers with a competitive mind, and the Branch Annual Team Championship. WOW... no excuse for staying home..

The Branch 159 Team Championship, will be played June 15th, at Sherwood. This year, the format is a 4-man team event, computer draw. Sign up on our regular board and you'll be in.

The two branch NCGA qualifiers are coordinated by Mike Moyle, and you should contact Mike in order to participate. In a nutshell: June 1, at Madera Muni, Branch Qualifier for the NCGA Senior Four Ball Net (aka 2man Better Ball), play from the White tees; then on June 22, Branch Qualifier, NCGA Associate Club Net Amateur, Individual net stroke, at Riverside (White tees). Mike will provide us with the details. Thanks Mike for a great job. **SIR State Team Qualifier,** was played on 5/25 at Pheasant Run GC, a popular venue. Three teams competed, all from Branch 159 (what happened to the

golfers from 169, 175 and 179?). The winning team (Matossian- Kilgore-Moore & Pezzi) shot 9 under par and are going to Rancho Solano where the SIR State Team Championship will be played on August 14th. Some more SIR State jackets heading back to branch 159?

NEW SIR 159 GOLFER-MEMBER:

If you are new to SIRs or new to golf, or know someone who may join our branch and play golf, you may be interested in this Summer 2017 contest sponsored by the NCGA. In a nutshell, "every new member who joins SIR 159 GHIN NCGA between May 19 and August 31, 2017, will receive a complementary twilight round at Poppy Hills (Monterey-Carmel) or Poppy Ridge (Livermore) to be played bu 12/31/2017". For further details, please contact Mike Moyle, our NCGA Coordinator.

The 2017 FALL CLASSIC, will be played Sept 18th&19th, in Fresno. Its a SIR State tournament, no need to qualify to play, its open to all SIR members (and qualified guests) with a valid GHIN handicap. All info and details are available on our branch golf website.

Attendance Report 2

In May, 2017, SIR Branch #159 had 197 active members. We had our first ever May Picnic on the 11th at Kearney Park on a beautiful day in the There were 60 Sirs members park. and guests in attendance. We saw a great demonstration of the horses puling their carts and riders through the dressage course. 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

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! Our callers begin making those calls on the Thursday-

DukMarshal@aol.com

For Ladies' Day (May & December) contact Shane Petersen @ 916-1821. *Duke Marshall, Attendance Chairman*

Sunday prior to the luncheon.

Please do your part.

State Team Qualifier

Kudos to the SIR 159 qualifying team for the 2017 SIR State Team Championship (scrambles). On May 25 at Pheasant Run G.C. in Chowchilla, the 159 team composed of Gilbert Matossian, Gary Kilgore, Bob Moore and Rick Pezzi walked away with the low team net of 64, 9 under, to qualify for this year's finals of the SIR State Team Championship. They will compete in the finals to be held at Rancho Solano G.C. in Fairfield on August 14th.

The 159 team of Shane Peterson, Butch Evans, Gerald Peloian and Vic Froehmer placed 2nd in the qualifier...while the team of Mike Moyle, Duke Marshall, Del Kerns and Ed Beier were third.

Congratulations to the winning team and a big thanks to all those who participated in the qualifier!

Mike Moyle Area 29 Golf Chairman

Bowling move in the wind

We have just been informed that Bowlmor-AMF is again changing the hours of operation at Sierra Lanes and will not open until 3 PM on Fridays. We will be staying in our present time slot until about Aug. 22. Tom Harlan who has been our acting secretary with the house says he is through. If we are to continue we need your input as to a course of action. We can change houses, move to Rodeo Lanes or Madera Lanes. We could try to find a new day and time or both. Give me some direction. Updated information is found on the SIR 159 website under the bowling icon. Email me at DukMarshal@aol.com or call at 447-5388. Duke Marshall

Special report from the SIRs Bowling League

The fall thru spring season has come to a close. The following are the best of '16-'17 season.

| BEST | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------|
| Hi Avg | Ed Beier | 191 |
| Hi Avg 2nd | Jim Petersen | 177 |
| Hi Scratch Series | Ed Beier | 691 |
| Hi Scratch Series 2nd | Daryl DeRouchey | 622 |
| Hi Scratch Game | Ed Beier | 258 |
| Hi Scratch Game 2nd | Alan Barton | 258 |
| Hi Hdcp Series | Daryl DeRouchey | 713 |
| Hi Hdcp Series 2nd | Duke Marshall | 685 |
| Hi Hdcp Game | Dana Hamparzoomian | 260 |
| Hi Hdcp Game 2nd | Jim Petersen | 258 |
| Most improved | Tom Simpson | up 13.7 |
| Most improved 2nd | Tom Harlan | up 1.4 |
| Most improved 3rd | Duke Marshall | up 1.1 |
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Poker

Our SIR's poker tournament will be held at Steve Whitehead's home, Tuesday June 6, 2017. The game starts at noon. We break for lunch at 1 pm. The cost is \$20 to buy in and \$5 for food given to the host. Steve's address is 1513 E. Via Estrella, Fresno, 93730. Call Steve at 307-6830 or Michael Levine (250-4137) for directions and further information. The game generally ends around 3 pm. If you wanted to be added to the SIR's poker mailing list contact Michael by phone, text (559-250-4137) or email (rmikelev1@comcast.net).

There will be no Technology or Investing group meeting in Jun, Jul, or Aug. We will start again in Sept or Oct.



Perry Presents

Save Saturday June 24th to see **SIR Perry Huff-man** present a speaker program he developed with help from SIR Roger Deal and his SIR Computer Group.

The Fresno Chapter of the Society of Western Artists will gather at the Door

Art Gallery at 1:00 ... Bullard and Marks...(located in the back south-west corner.)

SIR Perry will present his program showing and telling highlights from his 33 year TV and newspaper illustration career...and answer your art and history questions. You and your guests are welcome to enjoy the fun.

COMING SOON!!

DELIVERANCE II

the sequel

CRUISE THE SAN JOAQUIN BY CANOE SOME-TIME AFTER AUGUST 1, 2017

EXACT DATE TBD

MORE INFO AT JUNE LUNCH MEETING

Horseshoes

Nine Sir members were on hand to kick off the first Wednesday of horse shoes on May 31.

Ed Beier and Shane Petersen won with a record of 3-0. Del Kerns and Gerry Fields, Rich Fimbres and Terry Byrne, Rich Colby and Rich Lewis tied for 4th place-all with a record of 1-2. (one of our strong armed participants broke a shoe in one of the games—not sure who that was)

We agreed that the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8:30 AM would be be best days and time to continue these hotly contested games.

The location is at BiCentennial park—84 N. Sunnyside Ave., Clovis. We encourage all to come out and join us for interesting and fun games.

Since the 1st Wednesday in June is a golf day, the next horseshoe game with be Wednesday, June 21st.



A Lexus mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a LS460 when he spotted a well-known cardiologist in his shop.

The cardiologist was there waiting for the service manager to come and take a look at his car when the mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey Doc, want to take a look at this?"

The cardiologist, a bit surprised, walked over to where the mechanic was working.

The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened it's heart, took the valves out, repaired or replaced anything damaged, and then put everything back in, and when I finished, it worked just like new.

So how is it that I make \$48,000 a year and you make \$1.7M when you and I are doing basically the same work?

The cardiologist paused, leaned over, and then whispered to

the mechanic......

"Try doing it with the engine running.

SEX IN THE SHOWER...."Our lives begin to end - the day we become silent about things that matter."

In a recent survey carried out for the leading toiletries firm 'Brut', people from Chicago have proved to be the most likely to have had sex in the shower! In the survey, 86% of Chicago's inner city residents (almost all of whom are registered Democrats) say that they have enjoyed sex in the shower. The other 14% said they hadn't been to prison yet.

Sort of brings a tear to your eye.

A retired older couple returned to a Mercedes dealership where the salesman has just sold the car they had been interested in to a beautiful, leggy, busty blonde in a mini skirt and a halter top.

The old man was visibly upset. He spoke to the salesman sharply, "Young man, I thought you said you would hold that car till we raised the \$55,000 asking price. Yet I just overheard you closed the deal for \$45,000 to the lovely young lady there. And if I remember right, you had insisted there was no way you could discount this model."

The salesman took a deep breath, cleared his throat and reached for a large glass of water. "Well, what can I tell you? She had the cash ready, didn't need any financing help, and, Sir, just look at her, how could I resist?", replied the grinning salesman sheepishly.

Just then the young woman approached the senior couple and gave the car keys to the old man.

"There you go," she said. "I told you I could get that idiot to lower the price. See you later Dad, Happy Father's day."

Once again.... don't mess with seniors.

A trucker came into a Truck Stop Café and placed his order.

He said," I want three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards."

The brand new blonde waitress, not wanting to appear stupid, went to the kitchen and said to the cook, "This guy out there just ordered three flat tires, a pair of headlights and a pair of running boards. What does he think this place is, an auto parts store?"

'No,' the cook said. 'Three flat tires... mean three pancakes; a pair of headlights... is two eggs sunny side up; and a pair of running boards... are2 slices of crisp bacon!

'Oh... OK!' said the blonde. She thought about it for a moment and then spooned up a bowl of beans and gave it to the customer.

The trucker asked, 'What are the beans for, Blondie?'

(I love this one...!)

She replied, 'I thought while you were waiting for the flat tires, headlights and running boards, you might as well gas up!

Since it was such a crappy day, I sat in my recliner and started thinking about life. I came to realize that as I have grown older I've learned that pleasing everyone is impossible, but pissing everyone off is a piece of cake.

Drive By ... Someone broke into my house last week. They didn't take my TV, just the remote. Now they drive by and change the channels. Sick bastards!

The Agony of Aging ... On the morning that Daylight Savings Time ended I stopped in to visit my aging friend. He was busy covering his penis with black shoe polish. I said to him, "You better get your hearing checked - You're supposed to turn your clock back."



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 impress upon her that she must remain there. I walked to the curb backward, pointing my finger at the car and saying em-

phatically, "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'?"

Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, "Lord take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me life and give up me Irish Whiskey!" Miraculously, a parking place appeared. Paddy looked up again and said, "Never mind, I found one."

Why Men Wear Earrings? ... A man is at work one day when he notices that his co-worker is wearing an earring. The man knows his co-worker to be a normally conservative fellow, and is curious about his sudden change in "fashion sense". The man walks up to him and says, "I didn't know you were into earrings."

"Don't make such a big deal, it's only an earring," his friend replies sheepishly.

He falls silent for a few minutes, but then his curiosity prods him to ask, "So, how long have you been wearing one?"

"Ever since my wife found it in my truck."

A kindergarten pupil told his teacher he'd found a cat, but it was dead.

"How do you know that the cat was dead?" she asked her pupil.

"Because I pissed in its ear and it didn't move," answered the child innocently.

You did WHAT?!? the teacher exclaimed in surprise.

"You know, explained the boy, "I leaned over and went 'Pssst!' and it didn't move."

Nine Hole Golf

For those looking for a shorter but meaningful golf outing (meaningful both in terms of practice and fun with the guys) join Bob Knebel and Charlie Barrett at Airways GC each Wednesday for nine holes of relaxed and casual golf. We tee off at 10am, so be there or be square. By the way, if you come out with us, I hope you like to laugh while you have fun. Airways at 10am on Wednesdays.

Sunshine Committee

This month we mourn the passing of one of the cornerstones of Branch 159. Jim Whitmer passed on May 20, 2017. Sir Whitmer was an active bowler, bridge player and served as Director twice.

He was Born in a little town in North Dakota where he learned to play golf from his dad in the snow, with black painted balls. when they finally made it to the "green", they would have to shovel a path to the hole. Jim has been an avid golfer ever since. And, an Eagle Scout, going to the national Jamboree in Washington DC.

I met Jim after he Married Mary Ann, served in the military and picked up a degree in engineering specializing in traffic management. To this day you can travel down First St. or Palm Ave. at an even 33 miles an hour. Jim did that. Timed all those lights. Of course, with all the traffic now, you better try it at 3AM.

I had never picked up a golf club in my life, but now that I was an avid Branch 159 member, all my friends walked golf, talked golf, and I wanted to also. Jim handed me a rule book, met me at Riverside Golf Course, and introduced me to the other two members in his 4-some. One of which was John Metzger, and off we went; instruction was minimal, chewed on if I stepped on someone else's line, giggled at if my stance was to wide, and tolerated quietly if my third shot in a row went off into the same tree on the left. I liked it a lot!

Well, eventually, one member in our group moved to Oregon, John was hurting and quit so we started adding other friends, usually all SIR's, and a second foursome, and then a third. Pretty soon Perry Huffman showed up and pronounced us all "Whitmer's Warriors". In the summertime Jim would bring fresh produce from his garden to share. I liked that too.

Jim was a presence in whatever endeavor he attempted, I guess all his life. And he accomplished it all with only one eye, no teeth and trick knees. Rest well my friend.

Ron Wilson, Sunshine

Roosters and Spouses having fun at the Picnic



















Men's Luncheon

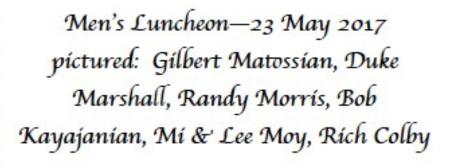
June 20, Tuesday, noon

Shaw/Minnewawa next to Rodeo Lanes















Pad Thai Restaurant 198 Shaw Ave, Clovis Minnewawa/Shaw next to Rodeo Lanes June 20 Tuesday, noon

> RSVP—Lee Moy—709-9851 LeeHealthStudio@gmail.com