



The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program: Blair Looney CEO- Better Business Bureau for Central California and the Inland Empire Counties.

Date July 13, 2017
Place Pardini's Restaurant
2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Social Hour 11:00 AM
Luncheon: 12 Noon
\$15 and no Buck Bucket

Activities Calendar for July

Date	Event	Contact
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Steve Chase
July 19	Ladies Date Night Javier's Mexican Resturant	Rich Colby
July 6, 12, 20, 27	SIRs Golf	Gilbert Matossian
Dates later	Canoeing	Terry Byrne
July 7,14, 21, 28	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
On Vacation	SIR Bridge	Vic Froehmer
July 13	SIRs Luncheon	Ron Travis (RSVP)
July 18	History Roundtable	Mike Rumley
No Meeting	Technology	Roger Deal
No Meeting	Investments	Rich Colby
July 25	Men's Luncheon Famous Dave's in River Park	Lee Moy
July 5, 19	Horseshoes	Rich Lewis

Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please-
Mark Twain

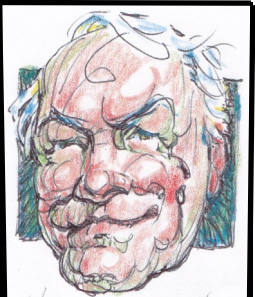
I was sitting here this afternoon thinking about whether I should mow the lawn or write an article for the Chanticleer. It is 108 degrees outside right now and even though the backyard looks like something from ... (Man, I can't find a metaphor for tall grass), Chanticleer wins.

Our branch had a very productive month. The Monday golfers have approved and are in the process of obtaining a bench and plaque in memory of **Jim Whitmer** which will be set up on the 15th tee at Riverside Golf Course. If you didn't know Jim, it is your loss. He was quite a guy, a good friend and valuable SIR and the **(Big SIR continued on page 2)**



Big SIR Gary

You have heard the expression the “dog days of summer” Just what does that mean? Obviously, it has to do with the hot, sultry days of summer. But why a dog? Dogs are man’s best friend and they must take the blame for global warming? I don’t think that is fair. How did we come to this? I remember from my High School English class when we were studying mythology that the god of the underworld, Hades, had a pet guard dog. That would be one hot dog. (groan) “who’s hotter than Hell!” It was so hot that little Timmy often went swimming in the well which caused Lassie to go nuts. All that barking and running around caused her to dehydrate but not before they pulled a protesting Timmy (he was chillin) from the reservoir. Toto gets blamed for killing the Wicked Witch of the West by dumping water on her causing a spontaneous heat combustion. She melted from the heat. Now that is hot! Old Yeller killed a rabid bat on the prairie during a sizzling summer day and you know what happened to him. **(Little SIR continued on page 2)**



Little SIR Mike

(Big SIR continued from page 1)

reason that there is a Monday golf group.

Jim would stop each Monday on the 15th tee, open up this bottle of Jim Beam and toast his playing partners. It has been a tradition as long as I can remember. The bench will be a permanent tribute to Jim and with a SIR logo on the plaque, a permanent advertisement for our branch. Donations for the cost of this impressive bench and plaque should be given to **Rich Lewis**. Many SIR have already donated and, hopefully, our very generous membership may offset the entire cost.

SIR Day at the Races at the Big Fresno Fair is a go. It will be held on Senior Day at the fair, October 9. This will be a joint venture with Branch 169. We, and our 169 brothers, are sponsoring one of the races. We will have a dedicated section in the grandstand where our banner will be prominently displayed. We will have an information table set up where our message will get out to thousands of seniors, and we will have a video message shown on the Jumbotron and all the tv's in the grandstand. This is open to all family members and guests.

Entry into the Fair is free that day. Entry into the grandstand is \$4.00 and we will ask for a nominal fee of \$3.00 from the attending members to offset our potential costs. This is easily recouped by winning just one Exacta. I have done the math: If I pay \$7.00 to get in and win just one superfecta for \$7,000 I made a 1,000% profit. See **Carl Merz** or **Reg Rosander** for details.

We are forming a committee to identify Senior Centers and Senior Living Facilities and will be giving presentations to them about our branch. If you would like to lead or serve on this committee, please see me, or any other officer or director.

I ask that each one of you consider serving on one of these committees and contact either **Carl Merz** or **Reg Rosander** for the Day at the Races, or me for the Senior Center Committee. The success of this branch is dependant upon your participation. Whenever I attend a meeting with other branches I am always impressed with two things. Successful branches always have a plethora of members who are willing to roll up their sleeves and give (Big SIR continued on page 3)

(Little SIR continued from page 1) And, what about Checkers? Fala? Rin Tin Tin? Asta? Bullet? Hootch? And Scooby Do? These famous dogs gave their all to their masters and to their trainers who exploited them for money, fame, and glory. And nary a whelp. They deserve better than to be blamed for the oppressive heat and stifling humidity.

Actually, Greek, Roman, and Egyptian astrology had a common name for the star Sirius. It was called the "Dog Star" and it becomes visible in the night sky on or about July 19th. The ancients associated the dog star with the hottest time of the year. Hence, dog days of summer. Whatever! Just remember that dog spelled backwards is??? And that's how they should be treated.

So how can SIRs help you beat the heat? Everyone knows that it is 5 to 10 degrees cooler on the golf course. Take advantage of earlier start times when the morning is still cool. We have three ongoing golf activities from Branch 159. Weekly tournaments on Thursdays. The informal Whitmer's Warriors that play on Mondays. 9 holes on Wednesdays at Airways. Since we are talking about golf we need some SIRs to step forward and volunteer their services to help run the program. At the time of writing Duke Marshall needs someone to help with scoring. Please check with Duke or Gilbert Matossian if you are interested. On another topic, Whitmer's Warriors are collecting donations to help finance a permanent memorial to Jim and to Branch 159 that would sit adjacent to the 15th hole at Riverside. Please bring your checkbook to the Luncheon and get a check to the Golf Treasurer, Rich Lewis.

You can beat the heat by coming to our Luncheon on July 13th. Air-conditioning, cold beverages, and a great program. Our Luncheon speaker for July will be Mr. Blair Looney. Blair is the Chief Executive Officer of the Better Business Bureau for Central California and the Inland Empire Counties. He writes a weekly column for the Fresno Bee that deals with concerns and complaints from consumers. Of special note for us is his coverage of the scams and cons that often trap "a good wine that has aged." Blair graduated from Fresno High School in 1965. Wait a second! . . . That was the same year I graduated from FHS. Coincidence? It will be interesting to see if he is the same "surfer dude" that I remember.

Lee Moy has added (Little SIR continued on page 3)

(Big SIR continued from page 2) some effort for their branch. Unsuccessful branches always have membership where they have offices unfulfilled and membership who are willing to sit back and let a very small few do everything. Let's be the former.

I see that the temperature is now down to 107 so I think I'll tackle that lawn- now where did I leave that sweater? See you in July.

Support your country at all times, and the government when it deserves it. - Mark Twain

Attention Ladies, if you are not getting the SIR-159 Chanticleer and would like your own email copy please send your email address to rcolby@comcast.net (Rich Colby) to get added to the email distribution.

Roger Deal, BEC Member

Men's Luncheon

If you guess that America's month is July, then you are most certainly a very proud citizen.

Not only is the Fourth of July, our most coveted celebrated of holidays, it is far and away our most enduring celebration of our freedoms.

How have we pledge of our allegiance, to put our hands to our hearts, as well as an organization, do so in unisons.

Join SIR 159 Men's Luncheon on July 25th.

BBQ ribs at Famous Dave's in RiverPark at 11 am.
Yummy! Finger licking awesome!!!

Join SIR 159 History Group as we then meet at Edwards Theatre (also in RiverPark) as we partake in this summer's blockbuster movie...Dunkirk.

Ribs and a movie.
and a beer thereafter
at Yard House with over
100 beers on tap...or something close to that.

(Little SIR continued from page 2) movies and beer to his restaurant luncheon. This will prove to be a heat buster all day long. Not only do you go out to lunch for some BBQ at Famous Dave's but you will be able to sit in an air-conditioned theater and watch a war movie. (Dunkirk) Top off the afternoon by drinking cold beer at the Yard House. BBQ, War Movie, Beer. Please make sure you have your testosterone shots up to date before heading out on July 25th.

Finally, at the luncheon you will find an armed forces survey that I need you to fill out. We will add this information to our SIRs data base. Given our ages it is a given that many if not most of us served in the armed forces. We need this information for planning our November, Veterans Day Program which actually will occur on November 10th this year. We hope to make this day a special day for all our vets.

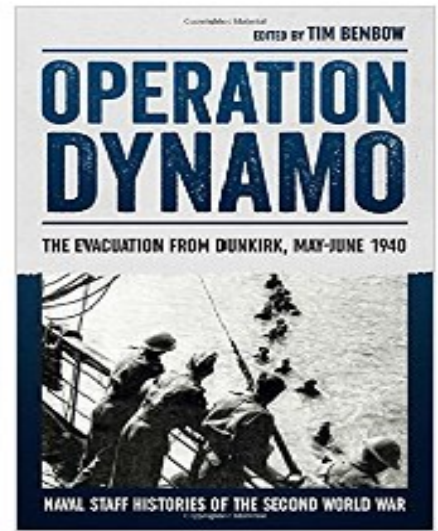
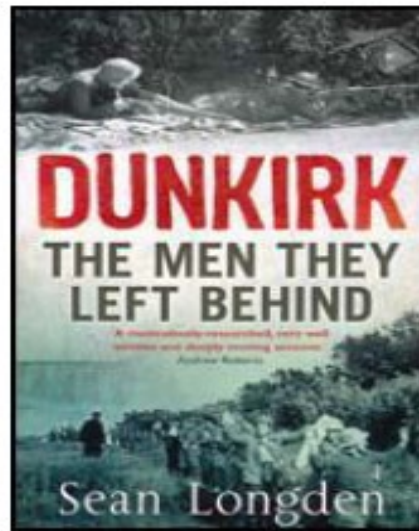
Stay cool!

History Roundtable

The History group had one of its more spirited discussions in our June Roundtable. We started the session with looking at an old article from the Fresno Republican in 1919 that related how the Australian government was sending some 100 World War I veterans to Fresno county to learn agricultural skills. We surmised that they might be survivors from the Battle of Gallipoli. In this horrible battle, the combined forces from the British Empire mainly Australians and New Zealanders lost 167,000 men to the Ottoman Turks. This in turn sparked a discussion of the Armenian genocide which led to a discussion of the large Armenian population in the Fresno area.

This is how the Roundtable goes. We start out with one topic and that germinates another one. Everyone has something to contribute as our family backgrounds are so diverse.

Our next Roundtable will take place on July 18th at 11:00 AM at the Yosemite Falls Café on Blackstone Ave. just north of Shaw. Our starting topic will be "Little known facts of the Revolutionary War." That's just for starters. Who knows where the discussion will go? Please come and bring a story!



Men's Luncheon-25 July 2017-Tuesday-11 am
Famous Dave's Tuesday's Special-Riverpark
Edwards Theatre-Dunkirk-after lunch
Yard House-beer-after movie

Lee Moy-RSVP-709-9851

Branch 159 JulyGolf Schedule

Chairman Gary Morgan 277-1249

Thur 7/6 8:AM SG Dragonfly
Wed 7/12 8AM SG Valley Oaks
Thur 7/20 9AM SG Belmont CC
Thur 7/27 8AM SG Pheasant Run
Thur 8/3 8AM SG Riverside
Wed 8/9 8AM SG Madera CC
Thur 8/17 8AM SG Sherwood
Thur 8/24 8:30 SG Lemoore
Thur 8/31 8AM SG Madera Muni

Golfer's Corner

The Golf Team. Its no secret that our weekly golf tournament is the main activity in our branch, and draws, week after week, the most participation from SIR members.

Almost 100 active members are involved in golf, however just a handful of volunteers have carried the program for a few years.

The 2018 golf season is approaching fast, and our golf team is now looking to add 2 or 3 good fellows to co-share some duties, and lighten up a few tasks. No need to be a computer geek, or to be available 24/7. Gentle training will be provided. Pay is not negotiable, but the benefits are priceless!

We'd like to hear from you at our next events or at the luncheon. You may contact any of the members following for more info; (Gilbert, Duke, Gary, Mike and Rich), we're looking to grow the team so the program can remain on its current level.

Congratulations to Moyle, Henricksen, Cabral & Nunez who won the **2017 Branch Team Championship** at Sherwood Forest GC by 1/2 stroke over Morgan, Peloian, Merz & Huffman who stalled on hole 12, and by 1 stroke over Moy,

Rumley, Kerns & Rathburn. The course was in great shape and 12 teams competed.

Have you noticed the quality of the embroidery work for our logo on the jackets? We are using a new embroidery art place, right here in Fresno. (See Caps on page 15)

Fall Classic, September 18 & 19. The SIR State tournament is approaching. It will be part of our weekly events, i.e. no other games that week. We cannot use the boards to sign-up; rather, fill out the flyer posted on our website and mail a check for \$140 per player/guest to Butch Evans.

We're in the process of getting, as an enticement, a new "SIR 159" golf cap for all 159 golfers with a paid in registration. More info to follow.

Roger Dunn Special SIR event, July 19th, 2017, 10am-2pm.

We have negotiated a special sales event with Roger Dunn store in Fresno. See details per flyer attached. You must bring the flyer. The special is limited to the day and time agreed upon; it won't work the day prior, the day after, or at different hours.

159 Officers

Big SIR – Gary Smith
Little SIR – Mike Rumley
Secretary – Vic Froehmer
Secretary – Carl Merz
Treasurer –Shane Petersen
Treasurer – Roger McCoy

Directors

Roger Deal (Hon. Dir.)
Mike Williamson (2017)
Mike Moyle (2017)
Dell Kerns (2018)
Rich Lewis (2018)
Duke Marshall (2019)
Stuart Poytress (2019)

Anniversaries

Donna & Philip Angelillo
Patricia & Jerry Brady
Rosie & Russ Conrad
Carolyn & Mike Fair
Sharon & Mike Farley
Jeanne & LeRoy Foote
Barbara & Chico Garcia
Maureen & John Hayes
Kathleen & Joe Hushek
Denva & Gary Kazarian
Jo Ann & Bill Lyons
Margaret & Fred Martinez
Sally & Mike Robinson
Holly & Tom Simpson
Beverly & Joe Smith
Sandra & Don Von Berg
Mary & Terry Woolf
Janet & Fred Wrazel

Birthdays

Ray Allen, Terry Byrne, Larry Calvert, Al Carlson, Larry Duba, Garry Elliott, Tom Gallardo, Les Gorden, Joe Huizar, Charles Jaurigue, Larry Knoll, Bill Leavitt, Michael Levine, Bob Moore, Richard Neilson, Chuck Olono, Don Reitz, Joe Smith, Bob Van Wyk, Jim Wulf

CANOE TRIP DOWN THE SAN JOAQUIN

Due to extreme river conditions, all canoe trips have been cancelled until at least August 1, 2017. We hope to be able to schedule our excursion in mid to late August. However, it may not be until September.

In the meantime, if you are interested in participating, please EMAIL Terry

Byrne at tjbyrne952@gmail.com and let him know how many seats you may want. Friends are invited. No solid commitment is required as we do not have a date certain yet.

For general information, visit: riverparkway.org/index.php/things-to-do/river-tours

We are considering the ½ Day excursion from Owl Hollow to Ft. Washington Beach. Although the scheduled price per person is \$35.00, our group rate should be less than \$27.00 each.

EMAIL Terry if you are interested.

Horseshoes

On June 21st the horseshoe group met for another round. Eight gentlemen showed up to see who could get the most ringers. However, we did find it rather difficult to throw a ringer with 3 broken shoes. Don't make these guys mad. We were able to complete the round with Ed Bier and Rich Coly going undefeated at 4-0; Reg Rosander and Robert Rathburn at 2-0; Gerry Fields and Rich Lewis at 2-0. Not to be outdone by Bier and Colby, we had another pair with an "unblemished" record--Terry Byrne and Roger Deal scored a perfect 0-4. Our next round will be held on Wednesday, July 5th at Bi Centennial park--84 No. Sunnyside, Clovis, hopefully with new, unbreakable shoes

Bridge Results

June 6 1st Vic Froehmer , 2nd Charles Ratliff , 3rd Russ Mott, 4th Fred Wrazel 5th Ron Rayburn, 6th John Hulahand 7th Bob Cleveland , 8th Janet Wrazel 9th Nancy Ratliff, 10th Jim Lund
Consolation Gene Tognazzini

High table 1,250
Bob Cleveland Vic Froehmer

High score 4,270 Vic Froehmer

June 20 1st Russ Mott, 2nd Robert Moore, 3rd Gene Tognazzini, 4th Jim Lund , 5th Fred Wrazel, 6th Charles Ratliff , 7th Hugh Cox
Consolation Bob Amato

High table 1,200
Russ Mott Robert Moore

High score 3,660 Russ Mott

No bridge in July. Summer vacation.

Ladies Date Night Out

Wed. July 19

Social 5:30, Dinner: 6:00

**Javier's Mexican
Restaurant & Cantina
5680 E Kings Canyon
Fresno , Ca.**

**<http://javierfresno.com/>
to see the menu**

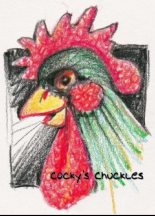
**(We will be ordering from the
menu and individually paying.)**

Hosted by

Rich and Patti. Colby

**Reserve at 261-2602
or rcolby@comcast.net**

By July 17



The 98-year-old Mother Superior lay dying. The nuns gathered around her bed trying to make her last journey comfortable. They tried

giving her warm milk to drink but she refused it .One of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen.

Then, remembering a bottle of Irish Whiskey that had been received as a

gift the previous Christmas, she opened it and poured a generous amount into the warm milk.

Back at Mother Superior's bed, they held the glass to her lips.

The frail nun drank a little, then a little more and before they knew it, she had finished the whole glass down to the last drop. As her eyes brightened, the nuns thought it would be a good opportunity to have one last talk with their spiritual leader.

"Mother," the nuns asked earnestly, "Please give us some of your wisdom before you leave us."

She raised herself up in bed on one elbow, looked at them and said: "Don't sell that cow."

DON'T talk to the parrot...'

Wanda's dishwasher was broken, so she called a repairman. Since she had to go to work the next day, she told the repairman, "I'll leave the key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave the bill on the counter, and I'll mail you a check.

Oh, by the way, don't worry about my dog, Spike. He won't bother you. But, whatever you do, DO NOT under ANY circumstances, talk to my parrot!" "I MUST STRESS TO YOU, DO NOT TALK TO MY PARROT!"

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's apartment, he discovered the biggest, meanest looking dog he had ever seen. But, just as she had said, the dog just lay there on the carpet, watching the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the whole time with his incessant yelling, cursing, and name-calling. Finally, the repairman couldn't con-

tain himself any longer and yelled, "Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!"

To which the parrot replied, "Get him, Spike!"

See? Men just will not listen..

TWO GOLFERSA man, while playing on the front nine of a complicated golf course, became confused as to where he was on the course. Looking around, he saw a lady playing ahead of him. He walked up to her, explained his confusion and asked her if she knew what hole he was playing.

'I'm on the 7th hole,' she replied, 'and you are a hole behind me. So you must be on the 6th hole.'

He thanked her and went back to his golf. On the back nine, the same thing happened and he approached her again with the same request.

'I'm on number 14, and you're still a hole behind, so you must be on the 13th hole.' Once again he thanked her and returned to his play. He finished his round and went to the clubhouse where he saw the same lady sitting at the end of the bar. He asked the bartender if he knew the lady. The bartender said that she was a sales lady and played the course often. He approached her and said, 'Let me buy you a drink in appreciation for your help. I understand that you're in the sales profession. I'm in sales also. What do you sell?'

'I'll tell you, but you're going to laugh,' she replied.

'No, I won't.'

'Well, if you must know,' she answered, 'I work for Tampax.'

With that, he laughed so hard he lost his balance and fell off the bar stool.

'See,' she said. 'I knew you'd laugh!'

'That's not what I'm laughing at,' he re-

plied, 'I'm a salesman for Preparation H, so I'm still a hole behind you.'

The F'Word

When is @#\$\$% Acceptable?

There are only 11 times in history where the "F" word has been considered acceptable for use.

They are as follows:

11. "What the @#\$\$% do you mean, we are sinking?"

-- Capt. E.J. Smith of RMS Titanic, 1912

10. "What the @#\$\$% was that?"

-- Mayor Of Hiroshima, 1945

9. "Where did all those @#\$\$% ing Indians come from?"

-- George Custer, 1877

8. "Any @#\$\$%ing idiot could understand that."

-- Albert Einstein, 1938

7. "It does so @#\$\$%ing look like her!" -- Picasso, 1926

6. "How the @#\$\$% did you work that out?" -- Pythagoras, 126 BC

5. "You want WHAT on the @#\$\$%ing ceiling?"

-- Michelangelo, 1566

4. "Where the @#\$\$% are we?"

-- Amelia Earhart, 1937

3. "Scattered @#\$\$%ing showers, my ass!" -- Noah, 4314 BC

2. "Aw c'mon Monica. Who the @#\$\$% is going to find out?"

-- Bill Clinton, 1998

1. "There is no @#\$\$%ing way Trump will ever become President"

-- Hilary Clinton 2016

and that's the @#\$\$%in' truth!

NIGHT LIGHT

A 90-year-old man goes for a physical. All of his tests come back with normal results.

The doctor says, "Larry, everything looks great. How are you doing mentally and emotionally? Are you at peace with God?"

Larry replies, "God and I are

tight. He knows I have poor eyesight, so He's fixed it so when I get up in the middle of the night to go to the bathroom, poof! The light goes on. When I'm done, poof! The light goes off."

"Wow, that's incredible," the doctor says.

A little later in the day, the doctor calls Larry's wife. "Bonnie," he says, "Larry is doing fine! But I had to call you because I'm in awe of his relationship with God. Is it true that he gets up during the night, and poof, the light goes on in the bathroom, and when he's done, poof, the light goes off?"

"Oh sweet Jesus", exclaims Bonnie. "He's peeing in the refrigerator again!"

FOR THOSE OF US WHO REMEMBER

(When we weren't politically correct)

Hollywood Squares:

These great questions and answers are from the days when 'Hollywood Squares' game show responses were spontaneous, not scripted, as they are now that shows are mostly taped. Peter Marshall was the host asking the questions, of course..

Q.. Paul, what is a good reason for "pounding" meat?

A. Paul Lynde: Loneliness!

(The audience laughed so long and so hard it took up almost 15 minutes of the show!)

Q. Do female frogs croak?

A. Paul Lynde: If you hold their little heads under water long enough.

Q. If you're going to make a parachute jump, at least how high should you be?

A. Charley Weaver: Three days of steady drinking should do it.

Q. True or False, a pea can last as long as 5,000 years...

A. George Gobel: Boy, it sure seems that way sometimes.

Q. You've been having trouble going to sleep. Are you probably a man or a

(Humor from Hollywood Squares continued on page 15)



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10% sale items

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2017 SIR STATE FALL CLASSIC APPLICATION AND ENTRY FORM

Entries close August 31, 2017 - 144 Player Limit.

Two-day tournament at Fig Garden Golf Club - Sept 18th & Dragonfly Golf Club - Sept 19th

To enter, complete the application below and send it along with a check payable to
SIR STATE GOLF COMMITTEE for the full amount of the entry fee, **\$140.00 per person**,
and mail to:

Butch Evans, 1850 North Hayes Ave, Fresno CA 93723

For questions about entering, or withdrawing from, the tournament contact Butch at one of the following:
559 271-2024 or Email: sirdivision5@gmail.com

ONLY THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY U.S. MAIL WITH FULL PAYMENT WILL BE CONFIRMED AND ACCEPTED

LADIES WELCOME

(Must have an established and current handicap index)

APPLICATION AND ENTRY FORM

1. NAME _____ GHIN# _____ BRANCH _____ TEL _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ (Will be used for confirming receipt of entry)

2. NAME _____ GHIN# _____ BRANCH _____ TEL _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ (Will be used for confirming receipt of entry)

3. NAME _____ GHIN# _____ BRANCH _____ TEL _____

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2017 Fall Classic in the Central Valley

SIR STATE GOLF is Offering Two Days of Fun Golf



DAY 1 Monday, Sept 18, 2017

Fig Garden Golf Club

www.figgardengolf.com

7700 N Van Ness Blvd, Fresno, CA 93711

- ❖ 7:30 AM Check-in
- ❖ 7:30-8:30 AM complimentary breakfast
- ❖ Meeting - Welcome, rules, questions
- ❖ 9 AM shotgun start
- ❖ Format: 4 Man 2 Best Ball
- ❖ 2-4 PM complimentary appetizers



DAY 2 Monday, Sept 19, 2017

Dragonfly Golf Club

www.dragonflygolfclub.com

43369 Avenue 12, Madera, CA 93636

- ❖ 7:30 AM Check-in
- ❖ Meeting - Welcome, rules, questions
- ❖ 9 AM shotgun start
- ❖ Format: 4 Man Scramble
- ❖ A, B, C, & D players
- ❖ Teams selected by computer

Cost: \$140/player includes cart, green fees, range balls, prize fund, breakfast & appetizers (1st Day).

Prizes: \$4000 for the 2-day event with a field of 100 players per day.

Hosts: Butch Evans, Gilbert Matossian, & Steve Johnson

For questions about the golf courses, lodging, or the Fresno area contact Gilbert at 818 926-1004 or gmsunset57@gmail.com

Lodging: There are many hotels/motels, and a couple RV facilities, in the Fresno area at reasonable rates.

Ladies are welcome. They will play a separate tournament. Day 1 Format: 4 Person 2 Best Ball. Day 2 Format: 4 Person Scramble. Must have a verifiable NCGA/SCGA/PWGA.. Index. Separate prize fund

Eligibility: Must be an active member of SIR's with a verifiable NCGA index, or a guest of a SIR member with an active and current NCGA/SCGA/PWGA.. Handicap. (All entries are subject to SSGC approval).

Cancellation & Refund: A cancellation request must be in writing, emailed to Butch Evans at sirdivision5@gmail.com. When the cancellation request is received before September 1st, 2017 (full refund), between September 1st – 10th, 2017, (\$50 charge back), and after September 10th, 2017, (no refund).



Men's Luncheon Pad Thai Restaurant June 2017

Photos by Lee Moy

July Men's Luncheon Famous Dave's—Riverpark





Lee Moy

Men's Luncheon
25 July-11am-Famous Dave's
Dunkirk-movie-Edwards Theatre
Beer-Yard House
Ladies most certainly welcome!!

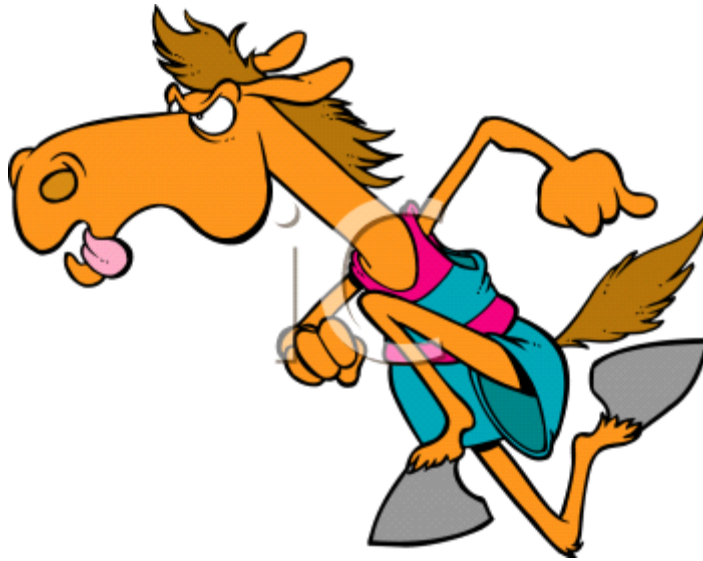


BRANCHES 159 AND 169 PRESENT

A DAY AT THE RACES

Monday, October 9, 2017

Big Fresno Fair



Tickets only \$7.00 (fair entry is free to seniors)

Contact: Carl Merz-559-875-2088 or

Reg Rosander-897-7394 (homeranchiris@sbcglobal.net)



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NEW MEMBER DERBY

START 1 2 3 4 5 6 FINISH



**Alex Ramirez, Jim Morgan, Gerald Peloian, Al Carlson,
John Crawford, Gilbert Matossian, Gary Smith, Russ Conrad, Steve Hernandez, Russ Wyatt**

Down the backstretch still clustered with one new member each. Four still in the paddock, all signed up and ready when they get to their first meeting..... Join the pack or break out to **WIN THE FABULOUS PRIZES.**

Nine Hole Golf

Hey! Look! Nine holes of Airways Golf between 10am and noon each and every Wednesday morning. Walk, ride, laugh, gripe...then laugh some more! Practice your game, and hone your ability to enjoy unrestricted fun with your pals.

You don't have to walk in this hot weather, but you are sure welcome to do so if you like. Airways, however, just took delivery of a fleet of brand spanking new Yamaha golf carts with high-fidelity, stereo televisions, air conditioning, independent suspension systems and built in beer dispensers (both Coors and Budweiser- but no Heineken)!

Walk if you want!

Join us, and I guarantee you will not be able to avoid smiling some.

Charlie Barrett

Attendance Report

In June, 2017, SIR Branch #159 had 198 active members of which 120 were in attendance at Pardini's for the luncheon on the 8th. This represents 61% of the active membership. Of the 77 members absent, 41 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 fu-

ture 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! Our callers begin making those calls on the Thursday-Sunday prior to the luncheon. Please do your part.

For Ladies' Day (May & December) contact Shane Petersen @ 916-1821.

Duke Marshall, Attendance Chairman



Free hats for 159 members who play in the Fall Classic

June Best Bowling

The summer league has begun and we invite any SIR member to come join us – Friday afternoons, 1 PM Sierra Lanes. Anyone interested please contact Duke Marshall @ 447-5388 or just show up and

DATE		NAME	SCORE	BRANCH
2-Jun	Hi Scratch Series	Ed Beier	604/237	159
	Hi Hdc. Series	Merle Knapp	635	179
	Hi Scratch Game	Duke Marshall	213	159
	Hi Hdc. Game	Hugh Cox	222	159
9-Jun	Hi Scratch Series	Duke Marshall	608/256	159
	Hi Hdc. Series	Bill Ripley	624	179
	Hi Scratch Game	Hector Leyva	223	159
	Hi Hdc. Game	Tom Harlan	208	179
16-Jun	Hi Scratch Series	Hector Leyva	556	159
	Hi Hdc. Series	Merle Knapp	643	179
	Hi Scratch Game	Tom Harlan	212	179
	Hi Hdc. Game	Bill Ripley	235	179
23-Jun	Hi Scratch Series	Hector Leyva	548/220	159
	Hi Hdc. Series	Daryl DeRouche	588	159
	Hi Scratch Game	Duke Marshall	205	159
	Hi Hdc. Game	Rich Lewis	213	159
30-Jun	Hi Scratch Series	Hector Leyva	638/226	159
	Hi Hdc. Series	Vic Froehmer	594	159
	Hi Scratch Game	Bill Laudig	186	159
	Hi Hdc. Game	Merle Knapp	310	175

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woman?

- A.. Don Knotts: That's what's been keeping me awake.
- Q. According to Cosmopolitan, if you meet a stranger at a party and you think that he is attractive, is it okay to come out and ask him if he's married?
- A.. Rose Marie: No wait until morning.
- Q. Which of your five senses tends to diminish as you get older?
- A. Charley Weaver: My sense of decency..
- Q. In Hawaiian, does it take more than three words to say 'I Love You'?
- A. Vincent Price: No, you can say it with a pineapple and a twenty..
- Q. What are 'Do It,' 'I Can Help,' and 'I Can't Get Enough'?
- A. George Gobel: I don't know, but it's coming from the apartment next door.
- Q. As you grow older, do you tend to gesture more or less with your hands while talking?
- A. Rose Marie: You ask me one more growing old question Peter, and I'll give you a gesture you'll never forget.
- Q. Paul, why do Hell's Angels wear leather?
- A. Paul Lynde: Because chiffon wrinkles too easily.
- Q.. Charley, you've just decided to grow strawberries. Are you going to get any during the first year?
- A.. Charley Weaver: Of course not, I'm too busy growing strawberries.
- Q. In bowling, what's a perfect score?
- A. Rose Marie: Ralph, the pin boy.
- Q. It is considered in bad taste to discuss two subjects at nudist camps.. One is politics, what is the other?
- A. Paul Lynde: Tape measures..
- Q. During a tornado, are you safer in the bedroom or in the closet?
- A. Rose Marie: Unfortunately Peter, I'm always safe in the bedroom.

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New Members and Changes to contact information Jul,

#	NAME, Interests	Nick-	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	TEL, email	Wife	EMPLOYER	
29	BAQUERA, LOUIE Baseball Day, Football Day, Games Night, Golf		1698 E. NEES	FRESNO	CA	93720	323-6550	Linda	SaveMart	New
									lbaquera@sbcglobal.net	
182	BRANAM, RONALD Computers, Sports Car Racing	Ron	85 N CINDY AVE	CLOVIS	CA	93612	392-5476	Shirley	Comp. Prog.	
									ronbranam12@gmail.com	
11	BRYNE, TERRANCE Backgammon, Baseball Day, Football Day, Golf - 18 Holes	Terry	5518 N. LA VEN-	FRESNO	CA	93723	341-8776		Attorney	
									tjbryne952@gmail.com	
19	CARLSON, AL Book Club, Chess, Coins, Cooking Group & Host, Dinner Dances, Dine In & Out, Gardening, Golf, Historical Interests, Travel, Wine Finders, Wine Tasting, Wine Bargans,	Al	1229 W. BULLARD	FRESNO	CA	93711	435-3316	Karen	Income De-	
									Alcarlson@reagan.com	
38	CORWIN, BRUCE Golf, Wine Tasting, veterans		7334 W. PORTAL	FRESNO	CA	93723	375-1689	Ida	Corwin	
									corwinbj@sbcglobal.net	
144	GOERING, RON Golf	Ron	464 S. PARK AVE.	FRESNO	CA	93630	213-1140	Beth	P.G. A. Pro..	New
									georingron@yahoo.com	
99	HERNANDEZ, STEVE Antique Cars, Dancing, Dinner Dances, Dine-In, Football Day, Gardening, Golf, Histori-	Steve	1205 W. STUART	FRESNO	CA	93711	438-8661	Hope	P.G.&E.	New
152	KAHN, CHRIS Baseball Day, Biking, Cooking Gp, Crab Feed, Dine Out, Fishing, Football Day, Game Night, Golf, Hikers, Historical Interests, Softball, Travel, Veterans, Yoga, Aviation, Mo-	Chris	7095 N. Fruit Ave.	FRESNO	CA	93711	799-7862		USN-Air	New
97	MARTINEZ, FRED Baseball Day, Biking, Chess, Computers & Tech, Crab feed, Cribbage, Dancing, Football Day, Golf, Hikers, Softball, Theatre, Travel, Walkers, Wine Tasting, Veterans Yoga	Fred	6372 N. TEILMAN	FRESNO	CA	93711	432-1864	Marga-	P.G.&E.	New
									ajm7pc@hotmail.com	
9	MORGAN, GARY Golf, bridge basic, Cribbage, games night, investments, billiards		6663 W. FAIRMONT	FRESNO	CA	93723	277-1249	Diane	B of A	
									morgangary@att.net	
58	NEILSON, RICHARD Baseball Day, chess, Football Day, gardening, Golf 9 & 18, Wine tasting		158 UNDERO AVE	FRESNO	CA	93247	920-5102	Kathryn		
									neilsonrr@gmail.com	
132	OPENSHAW, PETER Dinner Dances, Expore & Eat, Golf, Travel, & Walkers		1423 W. 4TH ST.	MADERA	CA	93637	674-7211		Weir Floway	New
									pbacup@aol.com	
121	PRICE, ROBERT Golf, Snow Skiing, Sailing	Bob	184 CINDY AVE.	FRESNO	CA	93612	907-1030	Kathryn	Price, Paige	New
									bob@ppcpas.com	
107	RANSOM, RICK Golf -18 Hole	Rick	1222 W. Shaw Ave.	FRESNO	CA	93711	221-5355	Judy	CPA/ Self	
									RICK@RM4S.COM	
28	SALSMAN, REG Baseball Day, Biking, Book Club, Cribbage, Football Day, Games Night, Golf,		4923 W. LOCUST	FRESNO	CA	93722	977-		Howe Elec-	
									DYVRS@AOL.com	
69	TEIXEIRA, ALLEN Anique Cars, Golf, Rec. Vehicles		7025 N. PLEASANT	FRESNO	CA	93711	449-1505	Nancy	Nat. Raisin	New
									teixeira2k@att.net	
291	WEINSTEIN, STAN- Poker, Bridge, Tennis	Stan	2175 STANFORD,	CLOVIS	CA	93611	538-3151	Ruth	Probation	
									boyhigh1943@AOL.com	
133	WILSON II, JIM None		4622 N. WISHON	FRESNO	CA	93704	779-8727	Pam	Ceramics	New
									wilsonocsinc@sbcglobe.net	