



The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program : **PROGRAM CANCELLED**

Date **CANCELLED**

Place Pardini's Restaurant
2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Luncheon: 12 Noon
\$16 per person

Activities Calendar for JUNE

Date	Event	Contact
JUNE TBD	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Steve Chase
JUNE TBD	Model Railroading	Robert Sexton
JUNE TBD	SIR Golf	Duke Marshall
JUNE TBD	Dine Out Night	Howard Zinn
JUNE TBD	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
JUNE TBD	SIR Bridge	Vic Froehmer
CANCELLED	SIRs Luncheon	Pete Openshaw (RSVP)
JUNE TBD	History Roundtable	Gary Lemaster
JUNE TBD	9 Hole Golf	Charlie Barrett
JUNE TBD	Pinochle	Duke Marshall
JUNE TBD	Cornhole	TBD
JUNE TBD	Horseshoes	Rich Lewis
JUNE TBD	Poker	Vic Froehmer
JUNE TBD	Book Exchange	Paul Gabrielson

2020 Speakers

Thursday, June 11, 2020	CANCELLED
Thursday, July 9, 2020	Michael Carbajal, City of Fresno Utilities Director
Thursday, August 13, 2020	David Rodriguez – Pinedale Historian
Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020	Fresno Mayor Lee Brand
Thursday, Oct. 8, 2020	Steve Menchenella former pro at Sunnyside CC
Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020	Michael Lella - Beneath the Scarlett Sky
Thursday, Dec. 10, 2020	TBD

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon to-night: 'Searching for Jesus.'

LITTLE SIR BRUCE CORWIN'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Hello Roosters and Happy June

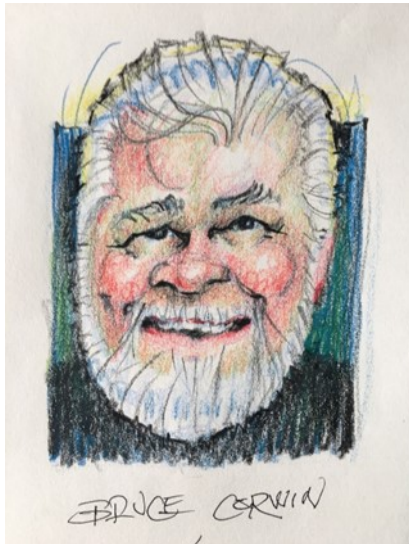
Our Big Sir Dell is out of the hospital as I write this note and we are hoping for his full recovery. He is now at Horizon Rehabilitation Center. Keep him in your thoughts. Also, if you know or hear of anyone else who is ill or needs our attention, please let me know.

Our lunch for June 11 is CANCELLED due to continued COVID-19 concerns. Your Board will meet in June to decide the future for our lunches and activities so stay tuned and stay well. Hopefully, we can meet again for lunch in July, but that is uncertain.

Pardini's is suffering as well due to the closure, but they are offering you the opportunity to make a direct donation via the Pardini's catering site. Let us show them our appreciation by at least donating our individual June lunch costs. They are also offering some take out meal services if you have any interest.

Wishing all our SIR 159 members a Happy Father's Day. Hope you can get out on that day.

Most of the local golf courses are open with rules to protect players as much as possible. Some of our members are playing as friends do, but no sanctioned SIR golf at this time. Looking forward to the time our SIR group can play again together.



We are always looking for new volunteers and, if you are interested, please seek out members of our nominating committee Rich Lewis, Brett Bayley and Richard Glover.

Also, if you have any thoughts, ideas or concerns: I ask that you let me know so that we can provide the best the club can offer to each of you.

Branch 159 Officers, Directors

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ASST. TREASURER: Brett Bayley 619-507-0357

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Roger Deal (HLM) 559-297-7022
John Crawford [2020] 559-779-2484
Thomas Simpson (2022) 559-432-2787
Gary Morgan (2020) 559-277-1249
Ron Wilson (2020) 559-960-8294
Steve Chase (2021) 559-252-2600 :
Pete Openshaw (2021) 559-674-7211

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ROOSTER: Gary Morgan 559-277-1249
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TELEPHONE CALLERS: Pete Openshaw 559-674-7211
WEB MASTER: Gary Morgan 559-277-1249

The Golden Rule

Therefore, all things whatever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets. [Mt.7-12]



Picture of 2020 SIR 159 officers.

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

Zoom Meeting May 13, 2020

The meeting opened at 9:00 am utilizing the Zoom meeting format. BEC members present were Little Sir Bruce Corwin, Secretary Vic Froehmer, Assistant Secretary Robert Scott, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, and Assistant Treasurer Brett Bayley. Directors present were Roger Deal (Honorary Director), Gary Morgan (2020), Steve Chase (2021), Pete Openshaw (2021), and John Crawford (2022). Excused from the meeting was Big Sir Dell Kerns. Secretary Vic Froehmer announced that a quorum was present (10 of 13).

The minutes of two months were discussed. First, the minutes of the March BEC meeting were revisited. It was proposed that the membership section be revised to show 2 new members and 9 terminated members (Manual Nunez and Rod Ashley will not be terminated because they paid their assessment). The result was the membership total was 208 roosters. The BEC approved these changes unanimously. In addition, the minutes of the April 2020 email meeting were reviewed. John Crawford moved that the minutes be accepted, and the motion was seconded by Steve Chase. The April 2020 minutes were approved unanimously.

Pete Openshaw reported that callers had contacted members to determine how they were feeling, and how they were dealing with the coronavirus isolation. It was noted that no Branch 159 members had experienced confirmed cases of the virus.

Next, Brian Nicholson reviewed the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28). Cash on hand was pronounced to be \$9,610.69. It was stated that there was minimal financial activity during the month because we are not meeting. Brett Bayley moved that we accept the report as submitted, Steve Chase seconded the motion, and the vote to accept the Monthly Cash Report was unanimous.

In regard to membership information, John Crawford indicated Form 27 showed we now have 198 active members after adding new members and subtracting members that were terminated for not paying the annual assessment. John Crawford moved that the report be accepted, and Steve Chase seconded the motion. The report was accepted unanimously. It was also reported that there was not any change in the membership total during the month of April. John Crawford made a motion to accept the report, and Steve Chase seconded the motion. The report was unanimously accepted.

Old Business was next on the agenda. John Crawford stated that Branch 159 will celebrate its 30th year when we begin meeting again. In recognition of the event, a SIRs

pin has been produced and delivered. Bruce Corwin will work with John Crawford on the date for the event and the rescheduling of speakers as needed.

Regarding New Business, Bruce Corwin suggested that we cancel our June monthly meeting. He asked Pete Openshaw to contact the callers and inform all of the members that we would not be meeting. The BEC unanimously approved the decision.

Next, Rich Lewis outlined the Nominating Committee Report regarding our slate of officers. He reported that the existing officers have agreed to serve once again next year.

The next agenda item involved the BEC's request that all external information sent to Branch 159 members be passed through and approved by our Big and/or Little SIR and the BEC as necessary. After a short discussion, the officers and directors of Branch 159 approved this requirement.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 AM.

Secretaries Vic Froehmer and Robert Scott

**Sons In Retirement, Inc
Branch 159 Financial**

	Month:	May 2020
Beginning Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$9,610.65
Expenses	\$	-
		<hr/> \$9,610.65
Revenues	\$	-
Month Ending Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$9,610.65
<u>NO TRANSACTIONS IN MAY 2020</u>	\$	-
	TOTAL	<hr/> \$9,610.65
Checking 9160.65 + Cash Drawer 450.00=9,610.65		
Net Gain / Loss		\$0.00

Submitted by Brian Nicholson - Treasurer

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

AMENDMENT I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, an to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

APRIL'S Best Bowling

May's Best Bowling

Our branch BEC voted to approve reopening bowling with a month lag time. As of today Bowlero at Sierra Lanes is not yet open. I expect to see them open soon here at the start of June. Once they open I will get their protocols and we could resume on 30 June. Keeping this goal in mind we still need prayers for our Big Sir Dell. He is at the Horizon Rehab facility at Chestnut & Herndon.

I say to those of you that are not making it **COME ON DOWN and HAVE SOME FUN!** Statistics are kept and posted to the SIR 159 website on the bowling page. We invite any and all SIR members to come join us – Tuesday afternoons, 1 PM at Bowlero Lanes (formerly Sierra Lanes) at the corner of Blackstone & Sierra. Anyone interested, please contact Duke

NEWS in the Golfing Community

With June closing in upon us, Our BEC met via zoom and approved the reopening of branch activities based on the protocols submitted by the chairmen on the 27th of May as per the SIR State directive with a month or 30 day delay. The following day Richard T. from Belmont called me as to the possibility of starting on the scheduled 28th of June. We could run into a problem of available carts(40), since all the courses are following the 1 per cart unless you are same household on rode together to the course. There for If you are signing up for Belmont and would volunteer to walk enter an XW. It looks as if I will have to do some rescheduling since Sunnyside, at present, is allowing NO non-members on the course. Remember though that state guidelines are constantly changing. Now grab your clubs and head for the range or out in the yard to grove you swing.

In the meantime prayers are still needed for Big Sir Dell, who is in rehab at the Horizon on Herndon & Chestnut.

The monthly chairman for July is Bruce Corwin, 375-1689 or corwinbj@sbcglobal.net assisted by Ron Travis. Terry I will get the bag & box to you before the event.

25-Jun	Thurs	Belmont CC 251-5078	8:00 AM	2ManBB
2-Jul	Thurs	Sunnyside CC 225-6871	9:00 AM	Indiv or Scramble
8-Jul	Wed	Airways GC 291-6254	8:00 AM	2ManBB
16-Jul	Thurs	Ridge Creek GC 591-2254	8:00 AM	Scramble
23-Jul	Thurs	Riverside GC 275-5900	8:00 AM	4Man2BB
30-Jul	Thurs	Pheasant Run GC 665-3411	8:00 AM	Novelty

9 HOLE GOLF

“Hey! Charlie Barrett here to remind you about how very pleasant (and inexpensive) it is to stroll (or ride) around nine holes of golf at Airways on a fall morning. It is positively charming, satisfying, and wholesomely relaxing (unless you chunk every swing like I do).

“Join us! The boys moved it up to 9:30 each Wednesday morning of the year, to give us a bit more time in the clubhouse. Affordable golf with invaluable wholesomeness, a doable pace, and priceless camaraderie.

“I will see you there!”

Whitmer's Warriors

We have good news from the IT department. The IT boss says our IT team has finally figured out how the Email List works and that we can Now add players to the weekly mailing list. If that less than competent Steve Chase told you in the past that he would add you and yet you didn't receive our mailing, we now can add you. Please [email Steve at steve.chase@att.net](mailto:steve.chase@att.net) and we will get you hooked up. Thanks for your patience.

Down the middle,

Whitmer's Warriors Team

PINOCHLE NEWS

You've probably already read our BEC adopted the protocols presented to them by the chairmen to reopen activities after a month delay. That would mean restarting Pinchle on the second Friday of July, which is the 10th and then the 24th. However I can be overridden by the Boss. The Pinochle group meets every 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month, 1 to 3:30 pm and meet at my place for now at 3434 W Menlo , just off of Sierra & Valentine. When playing double deck partners we manage to get in one game to 500 and if we have three players single deck cut-throat to 100 allows for three games. Just about everyone comes out a winner on the month. As November turns the corner our play dates should be the 8th & 22th. We are now inviting wives and SOs to join in. We currently have 10 Sirs members in our group. More are welcome. Contact me, Duke Marshall @ 447-5388 if you would like to join us.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.

Five Minutes Management Course

Lesson 1:

A man is getting into the shower just as his wife is finishing up her shower, when the doorbell rings.

The wife quickly wraps herself in a towel and runs downstairs.

When she opens the door, there stands Bob, the next-door neighbour.

Before she says a word, Bob says, 'I'll give you \$800 to drop that towel.'

After thinking for a moment, the woman drops her towel and stands naked in front of Bob, after a few seconds, Bob hands her \$800 and leaves.

The woman wraps back up in the towel and goes back upstairs.

When she gets to the bathroom, her husband asks, 'Who was that?'

'It was Bob the next door neighbour,' she replies.

'Great,' the husband says, 'did he say anything about the \$800 he owes me?'

Moral of the story:?

If you share critical information pertaining to credit and risk with your shareholders in time, you may be in a position to prevent avoidable exposure.

The Man Who Gave Up Sex for Golf:

A golfer is in a competitive match with a friend, who is ahead by a couple of strokes. "Boy, I'd give anything to sink this putt", the golfer mumbles to himself.

Just then, a stranger walks up beside him and whispers, "Would you be willing to give up a quarter of your sex life to sink the putt?"

Thinking the man is crazy and his answer will be meaningless, the golfer also feels that maybe this is a good omen, so he says, "Sounds good to me," and promptly sinks the putt!

Two holes later, he mumbles to himself again, "Gosh, I wish I could get an eagle on this one."

The same stranger is suddenly at his side again and whispers, "Would it be worth giving up another quarter of your sex life to make an eagle?"

Shrugging, the golfer replies, "Okay." And, amazingly, he makes the eagle.

On the final hole, the golfer needs another eagle to win. Without waiting for him to say anything, the stranger quickly moves to his side and says, "Would winning this match be worth giving up the rest of your sex life?"

"Definitely," the golfer replies, and sure enough he makes the eagle and wins the match.

As the golfer is walking to the clubhouse, the stranger walks along beside him and says, "I haven't really been fair with you because you don't know who I am. I'm Satan, and from this day forward you really will have no sex life at all."

"Nice to meet you," the golfer replies. "I'm Father O'Malley."