



The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program : **Dr. Matt Vinson of Preferred Chiropractic Center.**

Date Nov 11, 2021

Place Pardini's Restaurant
2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Luncheon: 12 Noon

\$17 per person

Activities Calendar for **NOVEMBER**

Date	Event	Contact
NOVEMBER 1-8-15-22-29	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Steve Chase
NOVEMBER TBD	Model Railroading	Robert Sexton
NOVEMBER 4-10-18-24	SIR Golf	Duke Marshall
NOVEMBER 17	Dine Out Night	Reg Salsman
NOVEMBER 2-9-16-23-30	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
NOVEMBER TBD	SIR Bridge	TBD
NOVEMBER 11	SIRs Luncheon	Pete Openshaw (RSVP)
NOVEMBER TBD	History Roundtable	Gary Lemaster
NOVEMBER 3-10-17-24	9 Hole Golf	Charlie Barrett
NOVEMBER TBD	Pinochle	Duke Marshall
NOVEMBER TBD	Cornhole	TBD
NOVEMBER TBD	Horseshoes	TBD
NOVEMBER TBD	Poker	TBD
NOVEMBER 11	Book Exchange	Paul Gabrielson

2021 Speaker
Thursday, November 11, 2021 Dr. Matt Vinson

Sons In Retirement, Inc Branch 159 Financial		
	Month:	Sept 2021
Beginning Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$9,920.05
Expenses	\$	1,615.49
		\$8,304.56
Revenues	\$	1,375.00
Month Ending Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$9,679.56
	\$	-
TOTAL		\$9,679.56
Checking 9,229.56+ Cash Drawer 450.00=\$9,679.56		
Net Gain / Loss		(\$240.49)
Submitted by Brian Nicholson - Treasurer		

NOTES FROM THE BIG SIR



Hello Roosters and Happy November:

Wishing all of you a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving.

If you know or hear of anyone who is ill or needs our attention, please let me know. You should also check out our Webpage at <https://branch159.sirinc2.org/>. There is lots of good information there and there are links to the State website as well.

Our lunch for November 11 is happening at Padini's. So, plan to be there and bring someone with you. Be sure to tell your caller if you are bringing a guest. If you did not get a call, please contact Pete Openshaw to get your RSVP in for lunch. Lunch will be a buffet and there will be table with 8-10 each. Vaccinated members will not need a mask. **It is important to let your caller, or someone know, if you cannot make it to lunch if you made reservation with your caller. Thanks for helping with this.**

Congratulate Duke Marshall for being inducted as Honorary Life Member.

We started "Dine Out" up again in September and so happy to get to be around some great couples for dinner. Please plan to join us next month.

Also, if you have any other 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. Also, if you have ideas for speakers for the rest of the year, please get with Stuart Poytress your Little SIR.

If you want to update your picture with anything new, please let me know. You can get my contact data off the website under contacts. **Happy Thanksgiving**



The guy who invented the door knocker got a no-bell prize.

I used to think I was indecisive; now I'm not so sure.

Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I do it with my eyes closed.

Thanks, Terry

NOTES FROM THE LITTLE SIR

Greetings Fellow Sir159 Members,

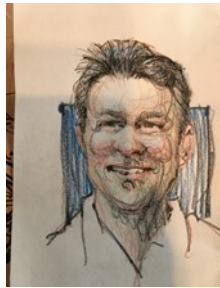
Well, to start off it's nice to finally go outside and breath again. I don't know about you but there were a few 3 to 5 day spans when I chose to stay indoors because of the smoke in the air. I sure hope that these forest fires are not going to be the new normal each summer. I was hoping to get a long term weather forecast for the next six months and share that with you in this writing, but when I called the local news stations and the Hanford Weather Service no one returned my calls. Anybody know a meteorologists that could help with that?

I hope everyone had a fun Halloween. I bet at the next few golf tournaments we'll see a lot of the leftover Halloween candy stashed away in our golf bags for a "pick me up" snack at the turn. (I wonder if that will help our scores?)

Our Big Sir, Bruce Corwin will be taking his wife on a well deserved vacation the first part of November so I will be standing in for him on our Veterans Day Luncheon. Our speaker will be Dr. Matt Vinson of Preferred Chiropractic Center. He will be speaking on the latest advances in Chiropractic Care and will most likely have some information on things we seniors can do to stay healthy when it comes to our moving parts.

See all then,

Stuart Poytress
Little Sir



I have a few jokes about unemployed people, but none of them work.

**How do you make holy water?
You boil the hell out of it.**

**What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo?
One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter.**

**Two windmills are standing in a wind farm.
One asks, "What's your favorite kind of music?"
The other says, "I'm a big metal fan."**

THANKS TERRY



2022 SIR 159 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

PINOCHLE NEWS

We need more pinochle players!! We are down to only four players, myself, Hector Leyva, Dell Kerns and Steve Chase, in the group and what with rehab and traveling have not been able to sit down for a game. I am announcing a pause until the New Year at which time I will try to restart the play. If you or your significant other would like to join drop me an email @ DukMarshal@aol.com, The pinochle group has met on 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. If you are interested in learning the game we will be very lenient as you begin. 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. Wives and SOs are invited to join in. We currently have 4 Sirs members in our group along with 3 guests. More are welcome. Surely there is a Navy or Air Force vet amongst all the new members who learned to play while in service. Contact me, Duke Marshall @ 447-5388 if you would like to join us.

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

October 7, 2021

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Bruce Corwin, Little Sir Stuart Poytress, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, Assistant Treasurer Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were Pete Openshaw (2021), Steve Chase (2021), John Crawford (2022), Javier Rodrigues (2023), and Richard Glover (2023). Excused from the meeting were Assistant Secretary Vic Froehmer and Director Thomas Simpson (2022). Bruce Corwin proclaimed a quorum was present (10 of 12).

Next, a review of the September 9, 2021 meeting minutes was conducted. Steve Chase moved that the minutes be approved as presented, and John Crawford seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

It was reported that "callers" had submitted their reports, and we have ordered 90 lunches for today's meeting. Pete also mentioned that Ken Mohn has passed away.

Stuart Poytress announced that Matthew Grundy, Fresno Deputy Mayor, will be presenting information at our luncheon about Mayor Dyer's vision and initiatives with details about the mayor's six goals. Mr. Grundy has previously spoken to our group when he was the CEO at Habitat for Humanity.

Next, the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported we only had minor income and expense activities during the month. However, we did not have the attendance expected at our September luncheon, so our luncheon cost exceeded our luncheon income by approximately \$230. Brian also noted that the fourth quarter assessment fee due to the state organization was waived saving Branch 159 about \$350. Consequently, we had an ending cash balance of \$9,679.56 at the end of September. Steve Chase moved the report be approved, and Brett Bayley seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

In regard to membership information, John Crawford reviewed the September 2021 Membership Report. The report indicated we inducted one new member during September, and our total membership is now 209 members. John then noted a potential candidate, Gary McCrea, who would be confirmed by approval of his report. John also reviewed the Monthly Branch Membership Report (Form 27). Referring to Form 27, John reminded us that we have gained 17 members this year but lost 21. Steve Chase moved and Brett Bayley seconded the motion that both membership reports be accepted. The reports were unanimously approved.

The subject of CPR training was on the agenda for old business. Stuart Poytress said that December 5, 2021 appears to be an available date for our training. He indicated that there are 10 SIR members who have stated they are interested in the training. He will contact each of these members to determine if the December 5th date is acceptable.

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SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

Next on the agenda under the heading of New Business was the need to determine microphone time during the meeting. Duke Marshal and Steve Chase indicated they would like to address the group. Duke also announced that he will be “stepping down” from the golf chairman position at the end of the 2021/2022 golf year.

Each year at this time, we receive notice from Pardini’s restaurant about the anticipated luncheon cost for the coming year. The cost to SIRs 159 for each lunch next year is \$17.37. The details for the determination of this cost is available on the Pardini’s contract.

As a result of the luncheon cost increase, the BEC then discussed the monthly luncheon and voluntary 50/50 drawing costs for each member. It was moved that the luncheon cost for 2022 be \$18. Included also in the motion was a voluntary cost of \$5 to enter the 50/50 drawing. The participant in the drawing will receive 6 tickets for each \$5 purchase. Steve Chase moved that the fee proposal be accepted, and Brett Bayley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The BEC then discussed the annual membership fee. After some discussion, Steve Chase moved and Brett Bayley seconded the motion that we keep the annual membership fee at \$25. The measure passed unanimously.

With these items in mind, Brian Nicholson presented his proposed budget for 2022. The final budget will be formalized using the cost changes that were approved by the BEC.

Steve Chase and Ron Wilson reminded the BEC that we have real property in the form of audio equipment that we no longer need. It was proposed that we donate the equipment to the Westside Boy’s Club organization. Brett Bayley moved that the proposal be accepted and Steve Chase seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Ron and Steve will gather the equipment and offer it to the Westside Boy’s Club.

A vote to select an Honorary Lifetime Membership Award recipient was taken. The BEC voted and awarded an HLM award to Duke Marshall. The award is to be announced at our luncheon meeting.

It was also announced that we would not have a Christmas luncheon with our wives because the past luncheons have not been well attended. Also, SIRs may be increasing its use of social media platforms in the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 am. Secretaries Robert Scott and Vic Froehmer

ROOSTERS:

An early reminder that the **Date night** in **NOVEMBER** is on the **17th at the LAZY DOG RESTAURANT. Lazy Dog is located at Blackstone and Nees.**

Start time is 1800 or 6:00 PM.

Contact Reg Salsman [559-977-6722] to respond **with your yes or no**



MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Fresno Branch #159, November 11, 2021

ALL DATA AS END OF SEP.

New Members Inducted:	1	Branch 159
Terminated:	2	Meeting # 319th
Members:	206	

New Member (14) Net Membership Change (-5) Year Beginning Ref# (211) on 1/1/2021

Members to be Terminated

#4 Ken Mohn —Deceased

New Members to be Inducted pending BEC Approval

#139 –Ron Dunkin Sponson #72 – Carlos Fernandez

Candidates approved by board to be “sworn in” when they attend their next Luncheon

#15- Mark Anderson Sponsor: #31-Shane Peterson

Note Respectfully Submitted by,

John Crawford
Membership Chairman



NEW MEMBER

McCrea, Gary

Life is explained -- And on the 8th day, God created Seniors.

Most seniors never get enough exercise. In His wisdom, God decreed that seniors become forgetful so they would have to search for their glasses, keys, and other things, thus doing more walking. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God saw there was another need. In His wisdom He made seniors lose coordination so they would drop things, requiring them to bend, reach, and stretch. And God looked down and saw that it was good.

Then God considered the function of bladders and decided seniors would have additional calls of nature, requiring more trips to the bathroom, thus providing more exercise. God looked down and saw that it was good.

So if you find, as you age, you are getting up and down more, remember it's God's will. It is all in your best interest even though you mutter under your breath

NEWS in the Golfing Community

We started the month of October with beautiful golfing weather with an Individual Stroke play tournament at Madera Muni where 43 golfers in four flights started our new golfing year. In flight 1 Brian Nicholson shot a four under 68 while on flight 2 Roger McCoy had the low net of the day with a 7 under 65. In flight 3 went to Alex Ramirez with a net 71 and flight 4 to Robert Ying with a net 67. The two closest to the pin winners were Roger McCoy, 4'06" and Roy Benavidez, 10' 09". The following week we we traveled south to Valley Oaks for a game of 4Man 2BB. The team of Stuart Poytress, Brett Bayley, Dana Hamparzoomian and Martin Beza combined for a 15 under 129 to conquer the field, while closest to the pin holes were captured by Mike Davis, 3'04" and Roy Benavidez, 12'04". We next matched up at Riverside where we played a game of 4man2BB Sham-ble. The team of James Branton, Roger McEnvoy, John Briceno, and Roger Anthony went deep at 31 under par to take the field. The closest to the pin holes went to Mike Moyle, 8'05" and Brian Nicholson, 6'08". We finished the month at Eagle Springs for a game of Cha Cha Cha, where the team led by Russ Anderson with Russ Manfredo, Robert Ying and Steve Chase shot a stellar 26 under par 120 to wipe the field. CTP,s went to Keith Lovgren, 9'00" and Joe Hushek, 3'08".

The November monthly chairman is Ben Tyson, benptyson@yahoo.com or 408 202-4886. He will be assisted by Jeff Boatman.

On the 20th of October we held our annual awards luncheon at Yosemite Falls Café. Awards winners for the year included , Dana Hamparzoomian, Dennis Rich, Mark Hofmann, Larry Hodges, Ken Mohn, John Briceno, Gerald Peloian, Jerry Poochigian, Gary Morgan, Robert Ying, Russ Anderson, Fred Martinez, Keith Lovgren, Bob Mattson, Rick Ransom, Jerry Brady and Larry Hendricksen. There were also many runner-ups honored. Also, **Rick Ransom won the 6th flight State Individual Championship in Vallejo.**

NOVEMBER GOLF SCHEDULE

4-Nov	Thurs.	Sherwood Forest GC 787-2611	09:00 AM TT	Individual	\$ 35
10-Nov	Wed	Madera G&CC 674-2682	09:00 AM SG	2ManBB	\$ 40
18-Nov	Thurs.	Belmont CC 251-5078	09:00 AM SG	Scramble	\$ 45
24-Nov	Wed.	Ridge Creek GC 591-2254	09:00 AM SG	4Man2BB	\$ 40+\$10SC

Nine Important Facts to Remember as We Grow Older:

#3 All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

#2 In the 60's, people took LSD to make the world weird. Now the world is weird, and people take Prozac to make it normal.

#1 Life is like a jar of jalapeno peppers. What you do today may be a burning issue tomorrow.

THANKS PERRY



PICTURES FROM THE GOLF AWARDS LUNCHEON. PICTURED ARE DANA, [PLAYER OF THE YEAR], GARY [MOST IMPROVED], AND LARRY, JOHN AND DUKE [TEAM CHAMPIONS]

Nine Important Facts to Remember as We Grow Older:

#9 Death is the number 1 killer in the world.

#8 Life is sexually transmitted.

#7 Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.

#6 Men have two motivations: hunger and sex, and they can't tell them apart. If you see a gleam in his eyes, make him a sandwich.

#5 Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day. Teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years.

#4 Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in the hospital, dying of nothing.

THANKS PERRY

Bowling News

If you are not aware we are now bowling on Tuesday starting at 1:00 PM. Plan to arrive by 12:45 for warm up time and to get set up. We are charged the veteran's rate which keeps the cost at \$10 for the 3 games. We are rolling now. It certainly would be nice to see more bowlers on the lanes with us. All of you can check up on us by visiting the bowling page of Sir 159's website. At the end of last month while bowling, on the 28th of September, Ed Beier rolled 12 consecutive strikes in the same game for a perfect 300 game. Below is a short table of who had the best scores in October. When bowling we roll scratch games and series, 3 games total. We also have handicapping for each of us. This is the difference between one's average and 240. We use 240 because that is what the Sir State Bowling organization is using. Masking when moving around inside is encouraged but it is ok to take it off while on your lanes and bowling. On Friday November 5 a team of Ed Beier, Hector Leyva, Steve Beveridge and Duke Marshall will represent Sir 159 in the State Bowling Tournament held at Modesto's McHenry Bowl. Once again for those of you that are not making it and to our new members **COME ON DOWN and HAVE SOME FUN!** I have heard there are a few bowlers in our new members. Check the up to date statistics that are posted to the SIR 159 website on the bowling page, as well as the next bowling date. We will not bowl the week of the luncheon unless a non golfer steps forward to act in my behalf. 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 Marshall @ 447-5388 or just show up and we will get you started. See you there.

DATE		NAME	SCORE
Oct 05	Hi Scratch Series	Daryl DeRouchy	485
	Hi Scratch Game	Jim Link	172
	Hi Hdcp. Series	Duke Marshall	686
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Dana Hamparzoomian	240
Oct 12	Hi Scratch Series	Duke Marshall	504
	Hi Scratch Series	Reg Salsman	504
	Hi Scratch Game	Hector Leyva	195
	Hi Hdcp. Series	Jim Link	669
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Dana Hamparzoomian	225
Oct 19	Hi Scratch Series	Duke Marshall	537/197
	Hi Hdcp. Series	Duke Marshall	744 /266
	Hi Scratch Game	Daryl Derouchy	183
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Jim Link	263
Oct 26	Hi Scratch Series	Daryl Derouchy	541/214
	Hi Scratch Game	Duke Marshall	191
	Hi Hdcp. Series	Jim Link	729
	Hi Hdcp. Game	Daryl Derouchy	279

SIR 159 MEMBER ASSESSMENT
FOR 2022 >>>>> \$25.00

Make Check Payable to
“SIR 159” , Due By Dec 31st

Please Bring Check to Next
Meeting or Mail to:

Brian Nicholson

6530 N Pleasant Ave

Fresno CA 93711

FRIENDS WE LOST



Mohn, Ken



Poochigian, Jerry



Wulf, Jim

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

Whitmer’s Warriors is a group of people that play golf on Monday. Although it is officially a SIR event, it is open to anyone that wants to join us. On any given Monday we will have twenty or so players, and there is always room for more. I send out an email telling everyone where we will play and what our tee time is. If you would like to be added to my email list just email me and it will be done.

Steve Chase

SIR 4 Day Golf Cruise

There has been some interest in setting up the Ensenada golf cruise again. I have arranged for a cruise on April 4th, 2022 aboard the Carnival ship Radiance.

I have tried to keep things similar to what Mike and Howard did as possible. I choose a later date hoping to get nice golf weather.

Our Booking Number is Q05VD2 and the phone number is 866-721-3225, or visit their web site, carnival.com

First deposit is due by the 26th of October of this year.

I have reserved 16 cabins and I’m sure more will be available.

Steve Chase



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April 23-April 30, 2022

Group name----SIR4232022

Password-----SIR

Booking #K55HM0

phone # 1-800-227-6482 EXT. 70232

Inside cabin 4D Aft Deck 6 ==Total \$668.74pp

Balcony 8A Deck 6 Aft ==Total \$973.74pp

Totals include port taxes and fees

Travel Protection \$109.00/pp

Gratuities \$97.93/pp

Jan 16, 2021 Deposit \$25.00pp----will hold spot

Nov. 24, 2021 Due \$250.00 pp including deposit----**CAN**

DECLARE CABIN LOCATION ONCE \$250 pp PAID

Jan. 24, 2022 Final payment

Questions or need help booking--- Hector 559-970-3197

Karyn 559-970-3198

Thanks all, Hector, and Karyn Leyva