



The Chanticleer

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program :

Date Mar 3, 2022

Place Pardini's Restaurant
2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Luncheon: 12 Noon
\$18 per person

Activities Calendar for MARCH

Date	Event	Contact
MARCH 7-14-21-28	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Steve Chase
MARCH 2-9-17-24-31	SIR Golf	Duke Marshall
MARCH 16	Dine Out Night	Gary Smith
MARCH 8-15-22-29	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
MARCH 3	SIRs Luncheon	Pete Openshaw (RSVP)
MARCH 8	History Roundtable	Gary Lemaster
MARCH 2-9-16-23-30	9 Hole Golf	Charlie Barrett
	Pinochle	Duke Marshall
MARCH 16	Cigars	Bob Moore
MARCH 3	Book Exchange	Paul Gabrielson

2022 Speaker

Thursday, March 3

Sons In Retirement, Inc Branch 159 Financial

	Month:	Feb. 2022
Beginning Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$13,094.99
Expenses	\$	1,846.46
		\$11,248.53
Revenues	\$	1,936.00
Month Ending Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$13,184.53
	\$	-
TOTAL		\$13,184.53

Checking \$12,734.53 + Cash Drawer \$450.00 = \$13,184.53

Net Gain / Loss \$89.54

Submitted by Brian Nicholson - Treasurer

NOTES FROM THE BIG SIR

Hello Fellow Sir Members,

To start off with, about a week ago an email was sent to some of you that said I was out of town and needed to have you buy some gift cards for me, or something to that extent. I never saw the email so I do not know the exact wording. None the less, it was a scam and I hope none of you responded. Thank you to those who called me letting me know this email was out there.

February certainly had its headlines. The Super Bowl is over, our Olympians all returned home safely, Major League Baseball is on strike, Phil Mickelson is being cancelled for his comments on why he will not be joining the new golf league in Dubai, (using the "F" word didn't help) and the Caruthers Women's Basketball team won another Championship. Gas prices are rising, inflation is rampant, the stock market is volatile, and Ukraine is under attack. We are living in historic times, to say the least.

Here in the Valley we have mild weather, much needed rain is forecast for Thursday, flowers are in bloom and blossoms are making our landscape colorful, we can still buy food and clothing and we have water at the touch of a handle. SIR 159 is healthy and the Pandemic is on the decline.

Captain Jason Sanchez of the Air National Guard was scheduled to speak at our luncheon March 10th, but since we had to change our luncheon date to March 3rd Captain Sanchez was already committed on that date so unless I can come up with a speaker fast, we may not have one on March 3rd.

That's if for now. Hope to see you all at Pardini's this Thursday.

Stuart Poytress
Big Sir



Mickey Lolich, Detroit Tigers pitcher: "All the fat guys watch me and say to their wives, 'See, there's a fat guy doing okay. Bring me another beer.'"

Max McGee, Green Bay Packers receiver: "When it's third and ten, you can have the milk drinkers; I'll take the whiskey drinkers every time."

Tommy LaSorda, L A Dodgers manager: "I found out that it's not good to talk about my troubles. Eighty percent of the people who hear them don't care and the other twenty percent are glad I'm having them."

E.J. Holub, Kansas City Chiefs linebacker regarding his 12 knee operations: "My knees look like they lost a knife fight with a midget."

Tommy John, N.Y. Yankees, recalling his 1974 arm surgery: "When they operated, I told them to add in a Koufax fastball. They did, but unfortunately it was Mrs. Koufax's."

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

February 10, 2022

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Stuart Poytress, Little Sir Richard Glover, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, Assistant Treasurer Steve Chase, Assistant Secretary Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were John Crawford (2022), Javier Rodriguez (2023), and Jerry Brady (2024). Excused from the meeting were Directors Thomas Simpson (2022), Roger McEvoy (2023), and Mark Isonio (2024). Stuart Poytress proclaimed a quorum was present (9 of 12).

Next, a review of the January 13, 2022 meeting minutes was conducted. Steve Chase moved that the revised minutes be approved, and Richard Glover 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.

Richard Glover announced that today's program will be Chuck Brough, a member of SIR 159. Chuck has taught economic courses at Fresno City College and California State University, Fresno. His program will feature historical time periods and events that have impacted economic styles and practices.

Next, the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported several activities that are indicated on his report. First, the collection of assessments resulted in \$1,025 in receipts. Next, we paid \$360 for the first installment of our State Board SIR 159 assessment. Brian also indicated that our January luncheon receipts exceeded our expenses by approximately \$48. Consequently, we had an ending cash balance of \$13,094.99 at the end of January. Brian also commented that we have received assessment payments from 176 of our members, but we have also learned, as of today's meeting, 17 members have decided to resign. Steve Chase moved the report be approved, and John Crawford seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

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Don Meredith, Dallas Cowboys Quarterback once said: "Coach Tom Landry is such a perfectionist that if he were married to Raquel Welch, he'd expect her to cook."

Reggie Jackson commenting on Tom Seaver: "Blind people come to the ballpark just to listen to him pitch."

Doug Sanders, professional golfer: "I'm working as hard as I can to get my life and my cash to run out at the same time. If I can just die after lunch Tuesday, everything will be perfect."

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In regard to membership information, John Crawford reviewed the January 2022 Membership Report and noted today would be our 322 nd SIR 159 meeting. The report also indicated we inducted one new member and terminated 6 members during January, so our total membership is currently 203. The Membership Report also listed an additional seventeen members who have resigned for various reasons. Their resignations will be accepted when his report is approved. John also reviewed the Monthly Branch Membership Report (Form 27). Referring to Form 27, John reminded us that we have gained 1 new member, but lost 6 so far this year, and we had 95 members and 1 guest at the January luncheon. Steve Chase moved and Jerry Brady seconded the motion that both membership reports be accepted. The reports were unanimously approved.

Next on the agenda under the heading of New Business was the need to determine microphone time during the meeting. It was indicated that Duke Marshal, Steve Chase, Bob Moore, Gary Morgan, and Terry Schneider would like to address the group.

The next new business item involved the Covid comfort level for luncheon attendees. To respond to the concerns, we requested that a few tables be set up with 6 rather than 8 chairs. If members want to sit at these tables with only 6 chairs, they need to arrive early and secure one of the “first come” seats. It was noted, however, that all of the tables for today’s luncheon had only 6 chairs. It is not known if this will continue in the future.

Next, Big Sir Steve Poytress reported we have two openings on our BEC. First, director Roger McEvoy (2023) is moving from the area. Next, Little Sir Richard Glover has accepted a temporary work assignment that will prohibit him from SIR activities for several months. We need replacements for these two positions. The Nomination Committee will meet to find candidates.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 am.
Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley

Bill Walton, Portland Trail Blazers: "I learned a long time ago that 'minor surgery' is when they do the operation on someone else, not you."

Knute Rockne, when asked why Notre Dame had lost a game: "I won't know until my barber tells me on Monday."

Paul Horning, Green Bay Packers running back on why his marriage ceremony was before noon: "Because if it didn't work out, I didn't want to blow the whole day."

Al Hrabosky, major league relief pitcher: "When I'm on the road, my greatest ambition is to get a standing boo."



2022 SIR 159 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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

Branch 159 Officers, Directors

2022 BRANCH OFFICERS

BIG SIR: Stuart Poytress	559-298-4323
LITTLE SIR: Richard Glover	559-286-6250
SECRETARY: Robert Scott	559-696-2158
ASST. SECRETARY: Brett Bayley	619-507-0357
TREASURER: Brian Nicholson	559-285-8928
ASST. TREASURER: Steve Chase	559-252-2600

2022 BRANCH DIRECTORS

John Crawford [2022]	559-779-2484
Thomas Simpson (2022)	559-432-2787
Javier Rodriquez (2023)	559-706-1989
Roger McEvoy [2023]	559-905-7362
Mark Isonio [2024]	559-916-1540
Jerry Brady [2024]	559-325-3049

2022 BRANCH SUPPORT PERSONEL

ATTENDANCE : Robert Ying	559-289-4548
CHAPLIN: Charles Barrett	559-439-8388
HISTORIAN: Gary Becker	559-251-7408
LIBRARIAN: Paul Gabrielson	559-269-2030
MEMBERSHIP : John Crawford	559-779-2484
MEMBER RELATIONS: Bob Moore	559-322-6909
NEWSLETTER: Fred Martinez	559-432-1864
ROOSTER: Gary Morgan	559-277-1249
SUNSHINE: Charles Barrett	559-439-8388
TELEPHONE CALLERS: Pete Openshaw	559-674-7211
WEB MASTER: Gary Morgan	559-277-1249

AND THE BEST IS LAST:

Q. What is a turbine?

A. Something an Arab or Shreik wears on his head. Once a Arab boy reaches puberty, he removes his diaper and wraps it around his head. (now we're getting somewhere)

The following questions were set in last year's GED examination. These are actual answers from 16 year olds.

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. What does 'varicose' mean?

A. Nearby

Q. What is the most common form of birth control

A. Most people prevent contraception by wearing a condominium. (That would work)

Q. Give the meaning of the term 'Caesarean section'

A. The caesarean section is a district in Rome

Q. What is a seizure?

A. A Roman Emperor. (Julius Seizure, I came, I saw, I had a fit)

Q. What is a terminal illness

A. When you are sick at the airport. (Irrefutable)

Q. What does the word 'benign' mean?

A. Benign is what you will be after you be eight (brilliant)



MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Fresno Branch #159, March 3, 2022

ALL DATA AS END OF FEB.
New Members Inducted: 0
Terminated: 17
Members: 186

Branch 159
Meeting # 323rd

New Member (1) Net Membership Change (-22) Year Beginning Ref # (208) on 1/1/2022

Members to be Terminated

- #12 - James Bowman - Resigned
- #319 - Dana Kahler - Resigned
- #297 - Salvador Morales - Resigned
- #93 - Mike Rumley - Resigned

New Members to be Inducted pending BEC Approval

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|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| #17 - Bill Sanders | Sponsor #39 - Dana Hamparzoomian |
| #26 - Loren LeBaron | #69 - Javier Rodriques |
| #41 - Gregg Gephart | #48 - Ken Chancey |

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

Respectfully Submitted by:

John Crawford
Membership Chairman

March 2022 Birthdays		
Nickname	First	Last
	Denver	Butler
Alex	Alexander	Flores
	LeRoy	Foote
RICH	Richard	Glover
	Gary	Lemaster
Jerry	Gerald	Peloian
	Raymond	Porter
	David	Samarco
Don	Donald	Smith

2022 March Anniversaries			
Wife	Nickname	First	Last
Jan	Mel	Melvin	Brewer
Barbara	Larry	Lawrence	Calvert
Linda		Dwayne	Chambers
Judith		Daryl	DeRouche
Alice		Larry	Duba
Carla	Ron	Ronald	Jones
Nancy		Gary	Kilgore
Monica		Keith	Lovgren
Debbie		James	Noriega
Yolanda		Jeff	Shahbazian
Joyce	Bob	Robert	Stenberg

NEWS in the Golfing Community

As we made our way through February the weather had it's ups and downs. We went from long pants weather to shorts weather and back through the month. We began the month up north to play Pheasant Run where we played an individual stroke play round that was a flighted round. In flight 1 [Gary Morgan](#) won with a 2 under net 70. In flight 2 [Keith Lovgren](#) won with a net 69 while in flight 3 [John Briceno](#) took honors with a 5 under net 68 and flight 4 saw [Bill Sanders](#) top the flight with a net 72. The two closest to the pin winners were [Gary Morgan, 7'10"](#) and [Roger McCoy, 7'2"](#).

The following week we stayed home for a game of 2Man BB at Airways where the team of [Joe Kosinski](#) and [Carl Dewazien](#) won with a 9 under par net 60 performance, while [Charlie Amasalian, 2'4"](#) and [Ken Chancey, 8'4"](#) captured the closest to the pin holes.

Next we moved across town to Riverside for a 2-man scramble that had 2 flights. The team of [Javier Rodriguez](#) and [Bob Price](#) took flight 1 with a net 64.1 from the white tees while flight 2 went to [Bob Mattson](#) and [Bill DeMarinis](#) with a net 64.1 from the forward tees. The closest to the pin holes went to [Bob Price, 3' 11"](#) and [Shane Petersen, 6', 2"](#).

We finished the month going up north again to Madera Muni for a game of 4Man2BB where the team of [Javier Rodriguez](#), [Roger McEvoy](#), [Dana Hamparzoomian](#) and [Steve Chase](#) captured the day with a 19 under par 125. Closest to the pin holes went to [Russ Conrad, 2'3"](#) and [Bob DeGeorge, 8'0"](#).

The March monthly chairman is **Russ Anderson, russell50356@gmail.com or 408-825-5083.** He will be assisted by **Jim Branton.**

Have you begun to think about choosing a partner for the 2-Man competition in June? I have begun taking sign-ups. At the same time we will still have the Team Championship, scramble, in May. You need to think about it all. Once again I would like to thank all of you that have volunteered to serve our golf club as monthly chairmen and assistants. Without your help this club could not function as smoothly as it does.

Duke Marshall

Sir 159 GC Chairman

MARCH GOLF SCHEDULE

2-Mar	Wed	Dragonfly GC 432-3020	09:00 AM SG	Individual	\$ 49
9-Mar	Wed	Valley Oaks GC 651-1441	09:00 AM SG	4M2BB	\$ 43
17-Mar	Thurs.	Belmont CC 251-5078	09:00 AM SG	4M Shamble	\$ 68
24-Mar	Thurs.	Sherwood Forest GC 787-2611	09:00 AM SG	2MBB	\$ 55
31-Mar	Thurs.	Lemoore GC 924-9658	09:00 AM SG	Novelty	\$ 38

From the Lanes in February

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 \$10.50 for the 3 games. We are rolling now. It certainly would be nice to see more bowlers on the lanes with us. Everyone can check up on us by visiting the bowling page of Sir 159's website. Below is a short table of who had the best scores in February. When bowling we roll scratch games and a 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.

The State has lifted the indoor requirement for a mask if you are fully vaccinated. Once again for those of you that are not making it to the lanes, 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 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. Hope to see you there.

The following questions were set in last year's GED examination. These are actual answers from 16 year olds.

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q. How is dew formed

A. The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire

Q. What guarantees may a mortgage company insist on

A. If you are buying a house they will insist that you are well endowed

Q. In a democratic society, how important are elections

A. Very important. Sex can only happen when a male gets an election

Q. What are steroids

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs (**Shoot yourself now, there is little hope**)

Q. What happens to your body as you age

A. When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental

Q. What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty

A. He says goodbye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery (**So true**)

Q. Name a major disease associated with cigarettes

A. Premature death

Q. What is artificial insemination

A.. When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow

Q. How can you delay milk turning sour

A. Keep it in the cow (**Simple, but brilliant**)

Q. How are the main 20 parts of the body categorised (e.g. The abdomen)

A. The body is consisted into 3 parts - the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels: A,E,I,O,U (**wtf!**)

BOWLING SCORES FOR FEBRUARY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
02/01/22	High Scratch Series	Reg Salsman 548/214
	High Scratch Game	Jim Link 210
	High Handicap Series	Daryl Derouchey 725
	High Handicap Game	Duke Marshall 240
02/08/22	High Scratch Series	Ed Beier 606/211
	High Scratch Game	Jim Link 193
	High Handicap Series	Daryl Derouchey 703
	High Handicap Game	Reg Salsman 232
		Duke Marshall 232
02/15/22	High Handicap Series	Ed Beier 620/236
	High Handicap Game	Duke Marshall 199
	High Scratch Series	Jim Link 753
	High Scratch Game	Reg Salsman 233
02/22/22	High Scratch Series	Ed Beier 585/226
	High Scratch Game	Reg Salsman 225
	High Handicap Series	Jim Link 725
	High Handicap Game	Daryl Derouchey 250

Lazy DOG
EAT. DRINK.



**SIR 159 Dine Out—March 16, 2022—Arrive 5:30 pm—
HOSTED BY BRUCE & IDA CORWIN—Reservations
call 559-375-1689 or email us at
corwinbj@sbcglobal.net**

Villaggio Shopping Center

**Lazy Dog Restaurant & Bar
7965 N. Blackstone Ave.**

Name email Phone

2022 SIR GOLF "Spring Fling"

Members, Lady's, Guests Invited, PLAY ONE OR BOTH DAYS

Tuesday April 19th AND Wednesday April 20th



** Eagle Vines Golf Course, Napa **



** Chardonnay Golf Course, Napa **

DAY 1 EAGLE VINES, 9:00 am Shotgun start, \$ 85

"Men and Women" Four Person Team – 2 Best Ball Net, Select Your Playing Partners

DAY 2 CHARDONNAY, 9:00 am Shotgun start, \$ 65

"Men and Women" Four Person Scramble - A, B, C & D, Team is Selected by Computer

PLAY BOTH DAYS for \$ 150

PRICE per Day Includes Green Fee with cart, range balls, prize fund, closest to the pin contest on both 9's.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS TOURNAMENT AND APPLICATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE SIR STATE GOLF WEBSITE AT "WWW.SIRGOLF.ORG"

