

The Chanticleer

Date Sept. 8, 2022

Place Pardini's Restaurant

2257 W. Shaw Avenue

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Luncheon: 12 Noon

\$18 per person

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program : BERNIE CARGLE

Activities Calendar for OCTOBER

Date	Event	Contact
OCTOBER 3-10-17-24-31	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Steve Chase
OCTOBER 6-12-20-27	SIR Golf	Duke Marshall
OCTOBER 18	Dine Out Night	Gary Smith
OCTOBER 4-11-18-25	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
OCTOBER 13	SIRs Luncheon	Pete Openshaw (RSVP)
OCTOBER TBD	History Roundtable	Gary Lemaster
OCTOBER 5-12-19-26	9 Hole Golf	Charlie Barrett
OCTOBER 14-28	Pinochle	Duke Marshall
OCTOBER 19	Cigars	Bob Moore
OCTOBER 13	Book Exchange	Paul Gabrielson

NOTES FROM THE BIG SIR

Happy October,

I don't know about all of you but I'm ready for the leaves on the trees to turn color, the summer flowers to fade into winter weeds, the lawn to turn yellow, a cool breeze to hit my face in the morning and what little tan I have on my legs to turn lily white again. In other words, I'm ready to say goodbye to the Summer of 2022. Enough already! However, I am glad we do not have to worry about hurricanes, tornados, typhoons and the like. I wonder what Dennis Rich and Roger McEvoy are thinking these days? (for you newer people, SIR members Dennis Rich and Roger McEvoy recently moved to Florida).

I will not be attending our October Luncheon which leaves Little SIR Richard Glover in charge of the BEC meeting and host of the luncheon. I hope all of you enjoy the "special" menu Pardini's prepared for you and be sure to thank a BEC member for putting this together. This luncheon has been in the works for several months.

So.....take it away Richard. I'll see you all in November.

Stuart Poytress

Big SIR



Hello SIR 159;

We've made it through three quarters of 2022, can you believe it? The summer has been brutal, and I can't wait for the Fall months to begin, and the cooler climate that comes with it. I don't know about anyone else, but it seems year in and year out, I've become more sensitive to the extremes of the cold and the heat. At least during the cold season, I can bundle up, while during the summer months, I can't remove enough clothing to keep cool AND remain legal. The Corona Virus seems to be behind us (yay), and life is returning to normal, with the exception of \$6 fuel prices and of the other inflationary costs that we must endure. It's almost like, when will it end. I guess, all that we can do is to remain positive.

I need to address an issue from our September luncheon, in which the speaker, became politically one sided. As per SIR directives, all speakers are directed to remain politically neutral, which did not occur. We will make every attempt going forward to ensure that this issue does not re-occur.

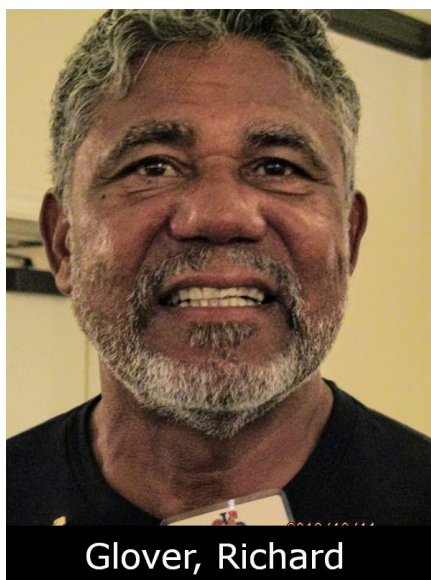
Sincerely,

Richard Glover

Little Sir - Branch 159, Fresno

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559-286-6250



Glover, Richard

DINE OUT NIGHT

Dine out night is on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at BJ's BREWHOUSE on Shaw Avenue in front of Fashion Fair. Contact Gary Smith 916-8677 for more information and sign-up.

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

September 8, 2022

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Stuart Poytress, Little Sir Rich Glover, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, Assistant Treasurer Steve Chase, Assistant Secretary Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were Javier Rodriguez (2023), Pete Openshaw (2023), and Jerry Brady (2024). Stuart Poytress proclaimed a quorum was present (9 of 12).

Next, a review of the August 11, 2022 meeting minutes was conducted. Steve Chase moved that the minutes be approved, and Brian Nicholson seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

It was reported that "callers" had submitted their reports, and we have ordered 96 lunches for today's meeting. Also, Pete Openshaw is in need of an additional caller.

Rich Glover, our Little SIR, announced that today's program will be presented by Jim Patterson our assemblyman in the state assembly. Our speaker is expected to present information about current events.

Next, the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported the financial activities during August 2022 were minimal and noted that our luncheon income actually exceed our luncheon expenses. Consequently, our cash balance at the end of August 2022 was 11,976.46. Steve Chase moved that the report be approved, and Richard Glover seconded the motion. The report received unanimous approval.

In regard to membership information, the reports indicated we will be having our 329th meeting today, and we presently have 187 members. Steve Chase moved and Jerry Brady seconded the motion that both membership reports be approved as sent. There was unanimous approval.

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The first old business item involved our meeting location for February, March, and April of 2023. Because Pardini's will be remodeling during those months, Stuart Poytress and Bruce Corwin have contacted many locations that could meet our needs. After comparing the facilities, costs, and parking information, it was decided that we would be meeting at the Yosemite Falls restaurant on Blackstone and Shaw. The cost for each lunch will be \$28, but our branch will pay \$3 of that amount, so each member will pay \$25 for these three months. Steve Chase moved and Brett Bailey seconded the motion to meet at Yosemite Falls. The motion was approved by all BEC members that were present.

Old business subject number two concerned our special luncheon next month. It was announced that callers had identified 46 members who would prefer salmon as their entrée. The remaining members will be served steak. Bruce Corwin stated he would be making an announcement regarding members who had not yet stated a preference at today's luncheon.

New business discussions began with a notice about new SIR State COVID recommendations. The BEC members decided that we would follow our local government guidelines

A second new business item involved a letter from Dale Decker, the State Vice President of SIRs. The letter began with "My sincere compliments to all of your [sic] for such a well run branch." The letter included other accolades and ended with "Now, tell me how I can clone your branch!" Big Sir Stuart Poytress stated we have been successful because of branch 159 member's willingness to participate and to volunteer to meet the operational needs of our branch.

Next on the agenda was the need to determine microphone time during the meeting. Duke Marshall, Bruce Corwin, Pete Openshaw and Steve Chase would like to address the group.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.

Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley

Branch 159 Officers, Directors

2022 BRANCH OFFICERS

BIG SIR: Stuart Poytress 559-298-4323

LITTLE SIR: Rich 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

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 559-439-8338

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 559-365-4123

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

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

Chanticleer Birthdays for October 2022

Nickname First Last

Todd Charles Bowen

Ron Ronald Branam

Rod Rauden Coburn

Bob Davis

Carlos Fernandez

Maximo Franco

Dell Delton Kerns

Lo Loren LaBaron

Dave Loewen

Ron Ronald McNary

Bob Robert Price

Roger Robb

Ben Benjamin Romo

Terry Eugene Woolf

10-2022 Chanticleer Anniversaries

Wife Nickname First Last

Lorie Shane Carroll

Debbie Jeffrey Curtin

Leslie Garry Elliott

Lydia Nick Fierro

Angie Alex Alexander Flores

Sandy Gregg Gephart

SYLVIA RICH Richard Glover

Connie Paul Gonzales,

Chris Mark Hoffmann

Carol Dave Loewen

Edee Russell Manfredo

Diana Bob Robert Moore

Theresa Walt Walter Plachta

Mary Don Reitz

Theresa Ron Ronald Wilson

Message from Governor Bruce Corwin

October lunch is a special lunch on October 13 and the meal will be a sit down lunch with New York steak as the main entree. Your club is offsetting the increased cost so you will still only pay \$18.00. For those that would prefer salmon instead of steak, you either needed to let your caller know or let me know that you want salmon. Otherwise, if there is no response, you will get steak as only RSVP's will get salmon. We need to know the number of salmon as soon as possible so tickets can be prepared and we can let Pardini's know.

Thanks for your understanding.

NEWS from Your Golfing Community

The Autumnal Equinox has pasted and the weather has cooled. As the length daylight hours decreases we find our mornings much cooler and darker so we shift our shotgun start to 9 AM. I know as we approach the end of this coming month we all will have to fall back an hour. **On the 19th of this month we have planned our annual Awards Luncheon at Yosemite Falls Cafe in Granite Park, on Cedar between Ashlan & Dakota.** Also starting at the awards luncheon we open our renewal period for our 2023 year NCGA/GHIN membership. NCGA informs us the price remains the same. If You do not remember it is \$45 to renew an active ghin member. If you are new or reactivating a lapsed number the cost is \$55. Make your checks payable to SIR 159 Golf and get it to Roger McCoy. If you are new without a GHIN number paying now you get Oct-Dec included with all of 2023.

We began the past month at Eagle Springs where we played an Individual flighted stroke play match, which was also the final round of the Branch Individual Championships. In flight 1 Javier Rodriguez took honors in a tie-breaker over Doug Britton by shooting a 1 under net 71 and in flight 2 Brian Nicholson ran roughshod over the entire field with a net 8 under 64. Duke Marshall took flight 3 with a net 70, 2 under par. Meanwhile flight 4 winner, Joe Cabral came in at 2 over 74 to win the flight.. In two closest to the pin competition holes Bruce Corwin, 1'8" and Gary Morgan, 4'5" came away winners on the day. Our next stop was Airways for a game of 2ManBB where the team of Brian Nicholson and Bid Wallace won in a tie break over Russ Manfredo and Bill Leavitt by shooting 11 under par net 58. Meanwhile Brian Nicholson, 8'3" and Bill Leavitt, 0'6" captured the closest to the pin holes.

Out to the Kings River and Sherwood Forest we went for a 4man Scramble where where the team of Roger McCoy, James Branton, Garry Elliottt and Mike Williamcon took the field with a net 50.7. Closest to the pin holes went to Mike Moyle, 4'0" and Bob Hudson, 2'11". We then headed to the northeast side of town for a game of 4Man2BB at Dragonfly where the team of Bob Davis, Martin Beaza, Jerry Brady and Bob Rathburn shot 18 under to top the field. The closest to the pin holes went to Greg Gephart, 5.0" and Bid Wallace, 7'9". Our final stop for the month was south to Ridge Creek where we once again played Russ Anderson's novelty. In this round the team of Russ Amderson, Jim Branton, Brett Bayley and Pete Openshaw played to a 74 under par performance. We also had four closest to the pin winners: Bob Rathburn, 7' 1", Jeff Shahbazian, 11'11", Ken Chancey, 13' 1", and Gary Parnell, 14'4".

NEWS from Your Golfing Community

As I mentioned above we concluded the Branch Individual Championships. The overall branch champions and flight champions for 2022 are:

Par = 217

	Low Gross	Low Net
overall	Russ Anderson 235	Bob Hudson 210
Flight 1	Javier Rodriguez 238	Russ Conrad 222
Flight 2	Gary Parnell 254	Duke Marshall 216
Flight 3	Garry Elliott 279	Alex Ramirez 224
Flight 4	Jerry Brady 308	Bob Rathburn 221

The October monthly chairman is Steve Chase, Steve.Chase@currently.com, or 252-2600 He will be assisted by Roy Benavidez.

A special shout out to Mike Moyle for serving as the past monthly chairman and to 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. Also mark your calendar and the sign-up page for the Awards luncheon on Oct. 19.

Duke Marshall

Sir 159 GC Chairman

OCTOBER GOLF SCHEDULE

10/06/22 Thurs.	Riverside GC 275-5900	9:00 AM SG	\$38.00	Individual,
10/12/22 Wed.	Madera G&CC 674-2682	9:00 AM SG	\$50.00	4Man 2BB
10/19/22 Wed. Golf Awards Luncheon 12:00 PM Yosemite Falls G.P.				
10/20/22 Thurs.	Madera Muni GC 675-3504	9:00 AM SG	\$44.00	4Man Scramble
10/27/22 Thurs.	Valley Oaks GC 651-1441	9:00 AM SG	\$43.00	2ManBB

From the Lanes in September

We are currently bowling on Tuesday starting at 1:00 PM. We would love to see a few of our past bowlers like, Rich Lewis, Tom Simpson, Dana Hamparzoomian, Dan Pitta, Dale Samuelian, and James Noriega back out on the lanes with us. This past week one of our travelers, Joe Huizar, found his way back to Blackstone & Sierra just to pick up where he left off. It's been so long since he was here, rumor has it he needed a GPS to find us. In addition of course all you new SIRs come out and join us in some fun. Plan to arrive by 12:45 for warm up time and to get set up. This week the house informed me of a rate hike in the Veteran's rate from \$3.45 to \$4.70 per game. I will collect \$15 for the 3 games and at the last session of the month the bowlers with the High Scratch & High Handicap Series will split the monthly pot. 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 September. When bowling we roll scratch games and a series, 3 games total. There is also a handicapping category for each of us. We use the difference between one's average and 240. We use 240 because that is what the Sir State Bowling organization is using. Nothing like a little friendly competition between friends. 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. August's top scoring week for week.

Sons In Retirement, Inc Branch 159 Financial

	Month:	Sept 2022
Beginning Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$11,976.46
Expenses	\$	1,857.04
		\$10,119.42
Revenues	\$	1,781.00
Month Ending Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$11,900.42
	\$	-
TOTAL		\$11,900.42

Checking \$11,450.42+ Cash Drawer \$450.00 = \$11,900.42

Net Gain / Loss

(\$76.04)

Submitted by Brian Nicholson - Treasurer

PINOCHLE NEWS

September 9 did not work out for the group, but on the 23rd we were able to sit around the table where Steve & Carl took on Duke & Dell. Duke and Dell were able to prevail in a game to 500. It was a great time to be able to get a game going. If you would like to learn we can teach you. 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 Carl's place 47 Fairbanks in Sanger. If you would like to join call me at 447-5388 for more information. 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

SENIORS TEXTING CODE:

ATD: At The Doctors
BFF: Best Friend Fell,
BTW: Bring the Wheelchair,
BYOT: Bring Your Own Teeth,
FWIW: Forgot Where I Was,
GGPBL: Gotta Go Pacemaker Battery Low,
GHA: Got Heartburn Again,
IMHO: Is My Hearing-Aid On,
LMDO: Laughing My Dentures Out,
OMMR: On My Massage Recliner,
OMSG: Oh My! Sorry, Gas,
ROFLACGU: Rolling On Floor Laughing And
Can't Get Up
TTYL: Talk To You Louder.

