

The Chanticleer

LUNCH: Date November 14, 2024

Place : Pardini's

2257 W. Shaw Ave.

Social Hour 11:00 AM

Luncheon: 12 Noon

\$25 per person

New 159 website - www.branch159.sirinc2.org

Program : John Creaney, PGA Pro

Activities Calendar for NOVEMBER

Date	Event	Contact
NOV. 4-11-18-25	Whitmer's Warriors Golf	Brian Nicholson
NOV. 7-13-21-27	SIR Golf	Brian Nicholson
NOV. 20	Dine Out Night	Hector Leyva
NOV.	SIRS Bowling	Duke Marshall
NOV. 14	SIRs Luncheon	Pete Openshaw
NOV. 6-13-20-27	9 Hole Golf	Charlie Barrett
NOV. 20	Cigars	Bob Moore

Sons In Retirement, Inc Branch 159 Financial

	Month:	Oct-24
Beginning Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$10,034.52
Expenses		<u>\$3,282.36</u>
		\$6,752.16
Revenues		<u>\$2,450.04</u>
Month Ending Balance (Checking + Cash)		\$9,202.20
	TOTAL	\$9,202.20
Checking \$8,752.20 + Petty Cash \$450 = \$9,202.20		
Net Gain / Loss		\$832.32

Submitted by Garry C. Elliott - Treasurer

MESSAGE FROM THE LITTLE SIR

My contribution: social clubs:

Social clubs provide networking opportunities, foster friendships, enhance social skills, and offer support and collaboration in shared interests. They can also contribute to improved mental health and a sense of belonging.

"Let us not take ourselves too seriously. None of us has a monopoly on wisdom."

- Queen Elizabeth II

We are all tourists, God is our travel agent who already made our itineraries, bookings and destinations.

Trust him and enjoy LIFE.

Life is just a journey!

Live today!!!!

Charlie Chaplin

MIKE PARKER
LITTLE SIR 159



NEW MEMBERS

November Birth-days

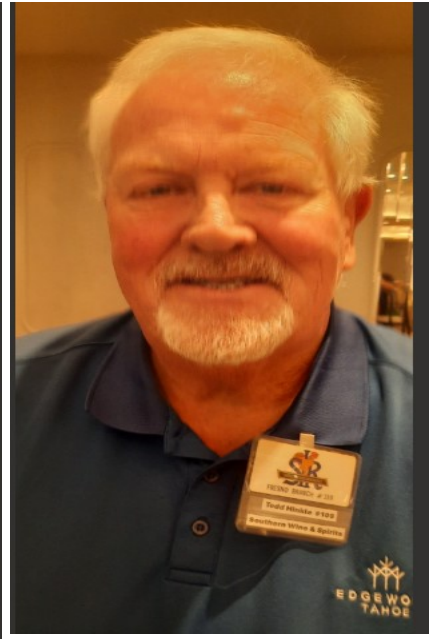
<u>Nickname</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>
Chuck		Charles Barrett
Alan		Barton
Greg		Cassillo
Paul		Gonzales,
Dana		Hamparzoomian
John		Hayes
Rich		Lewis
Jim	Harold	Link
Kieth		Lovgren
Rick	Richard	Pezzi
Dan		Rhoads
Bill		Sahatdjian
Terry		Schneider
John		Shertenlieb
Steve		Whitehead
Melvin		Wyatt

November Anniversaries

<u>Wife</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Last</u>
Midge	Charles	Barrett
Karen	James	Bowman
Felecia	Kenneth	Chancey
Ida	Bruce	Corwin
Dolores	Raymond	Porter
Jody	Stuart	Poytress
Chris	Terry	Schneider
Denise	Neil	Stockton
Lupe	John	Taylor Sr.
Pam	Jim	Wilson



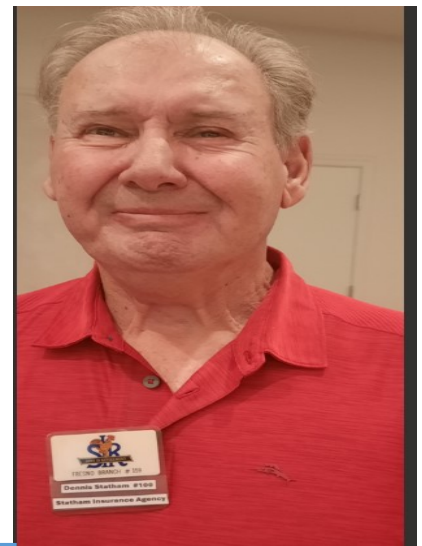
Richard Thompson



Todd Hinkle



Ed Robinson



Dennis Statham



Edward Castanon



Fresno Branch #159

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of October 31, 2024
November Meeting will be #355rd

<u>Membership Status;</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>End of October</u>
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New Members Inducted:	6	25
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Terminated:	3	25
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Members:		178
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Members Terminated last month:

Bob Stenberg ~ Badge #54

Lynn Streit ~ Badge #110

Ron Travis ~ Badge #8

New Members Inducted at last luncheon:

Richard Thompson #94 Sponsor ~ Russ Conrad

Dennis Statham #100 Sponsor ~ Richard Manual

Todd Hinkle #109 Sponsor ~ Ron Garcia

Curtis Lane #110 Sponsor ~ Gary Clemente

Edward Castanon #91 Sponsor ~ Tom Simpson

Ed Robinson #95 Sponsor ~ Gerard Garoian

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

#120 Richard Lundy Sponsor ~ Shane Carroll

#92 Steve Kelly – New Member – Sponsor: Russ Conrad

New Applications for membership to be voted on by the board and inducted if present at the luncheon;

Richard Thompson - Sponsor: Russ Conrad

Curtis Lane - Sponsor: Gary Clemente

Richard Lundy - Sponsor: Shane Carroll

Todd Hinkle - Sponsor: Ron Garcia

Dennis Statham - Sponsor: Richard Manual

Comments: Membership Database
being updated by Rich Colby.

Respectfully Submitted by: Russ
Conrad - Membership Chairman

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

October 10, 2024

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Little Sir Mike Parker, Treasurer Garry Elliott, Assistant Treasurer Keith Lovgren, Assistant Secretary Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were Jerry Brady (2024), Russ Conrad (2025), Robert Ying (2025), and Butch Evans (2026). Robert Scott proclaimed a quorum was present (9 of 12), and Little Sir Mike Parker opened the meeting.

Next, a review of the September 2024 meeting minutes was conducted. Brett Bayley moved that the minutes be accepted, and Garry Elliott seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Based upon inquiries during the calls to members, we found 94 members who stated that they were planning to attend our luncheon today. Bruce Corwin ordered 90 lunches from Pardini's.

Little Sir Mike Parker then announced that Mark Standriff, the Director of Beautify Fresno, would be updating us about the community-based cleanup and beautification activities of his organization.

Next, the September Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Garry Elliott reported the primary General Account income of \$137 was from our 50/50 drawing. In regard to our custodial accounts, our luncheon income exceeded our luncheon expense by \$77. Therefore, our cash balance at the end of September 2024 was \$10,034.52. Jerry Brady moved that the report be approved, and Brett Bayley seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

The following agenda item concerned the membership reports. The Membership Report indicated that today would be the 354 th meeting of SIRs Branch 159. As of the end of September, we had 175 members. To date during 2024, we have inducted 19 new members but lost 22. At today's luncheon, however, we have an additional six members that are eligible to be inducted. Garry Elliott moved that the Membership Report be approved, and Robert Ying seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Form 27 report was then reviewed. At our September luncheon, 49% of our membership was in attendance. This percentage is our average monthly attendance. Jerry Brady moved that the Form 27 report be approved, and Robert Ying seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval.

Our first old business item involved a report about the annual State SIR meeting. We learned that the 2025 State SIR officers had been elected. Also, there are two important meetings that will be occurring. First, on October 18 th , a zoom meeting will be held regarding assisting branches to increase membership. A second meeting will be held on November 8 th for the purpose of preparing branch officers to assume their duties next year.

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October 10, 2024

Our next agenda item involved how we are to store our historical records. A team of Reg Salsman, Rich Colby, John Crawford, and Russ Conrad will gather the storage containers and make them available for examination with the goal of consolidating the information.

The third old business item involved the 2025 golf cruise to be held in April. The trip has been advertised in the Chanticleer and reservations are now being taken. To date, 5 members are planning to do the trip.

The first new business item involved our annual contract with Pardini's. Bruce Corwin reported that Pardini's will be charging us \$24.77 per person for lunch next year. After a brief discussion, Russ Conrad moved that we continue to charge members \$25 for their luncheon cost. Keith Lovgren seconded the motion. The item was approved unanimously.

Our 2025 budget and branch member assessment were our next new business topics. Based upon our expected State SIR branch assessment, it was recommended that we continue to assess each branch 159 member an assessment of \$25 for next year. Brett Bayley moved that we maintain our present \$25 cost and begin the collection process. Butch Evans seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval of the motion.

Then, Bruce Corwin reminded the BEC members that we need to have our new officers sign signature cards for our bank accounts.

The next item of business involved advertising in the local newspapers to attract new members. After it was suggested that some modifications to the presented ad be made, the BEC decided to place the ad in the Fresno Bee. Russ Conrad moved that the ad be placed in the Sunday edition of the Fresno Bee for two consecutive Sundays, and then, we will evaluate the effectiveness of the ad. Robert Scott seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Russ Conrad then suggested that another executive committee meeting be held to use our membership survey to improve our branch and promote new membership. He also requested approval to discuss, at today's lunch, a special luncheon at our December meeting that would involve spouses and significant others. The approval was given.

Microphone time at today's luncheon will include Duke Marshall, Brian Nicholson, and Russ Conrad.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:09 am.

Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley

OCTOBER GOLF SCHEDULE

10/03/24	Thurs.	Lemoore GC	8:30 AM SG	\$42.00	Individual
10/09/24	Wed.	Airways GC	8:30 AM SG	\$32.00	4Man2BB
10/17/24	Thurs.	Ridge Creek GC	8:30 AM SG	\$50.00	2BB
10/24/24	Thurs.	Eagle Springs GC	9:00 AM SG	\$70.00	Scramble
10/31/24	Thurs.	Madera Muni GC	8:30 AM SG	\$48.00	Chairman's Pick

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.

Brian Nicholson

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!"

DINE OUT NIGHT..NOVEMBER 20

We are hosting the November Dine Out Dinner on November 20, 2024 at Buffalo Wild Wings.

Branch 159 Officers, Directors

2024 BRANCH OFFICERS

BIG SIR: Steve Chaser 559-252-6250
LITTLE SIR: Mike Parker 951-665-2951
SECRETARY: Robert Scott 559-696-2158
ASST.SECRETARY: Brett Bayley 619-507-0357
TREASURER: Garry Elliott 559-349-5783
ASST.TREASURER: Keith Lovgren 559-930-0662

2023 BRANCH DIRECTORS

Russ Conrad [2025] 559-917-1199
Robert Ying (2025) 559-289-4548
Butch Evans (2026) 559-271-2024
Mark Isonio [2024] 559-916-1540
Jerry Brady [2024] 559-325-3049
Pete Openshaw [2026] 559-674-7211

2024 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: Russ Conrad 559-917-1199
MEMBER RELATIONS: Bob Moore 559-322-6909
NEWSLETTER: Fred Martinez 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

SIR Members

Just a reminder that we need an accurate lunch count so if you have not talked to your caller, you need to contact them or send a message to Pete Openshaw or Bruce Corwin regarding your lunch attendance. Thanks for helping us out.

Also beginning in January our lunch cost goes up to \$25 per member.

Thanks,

Bruce Corwin
7334 W. Portals Ave.

SIR 159 MEMBER ASSESSMENT
FOR 2025 >>>>> **\$25.00**

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

Please Bring Check to Next
Meeting or Mail to:

Garry Elliott

5474 E. Washington

Fresno CA 93727-3365

NEWS from Your Golfing Community

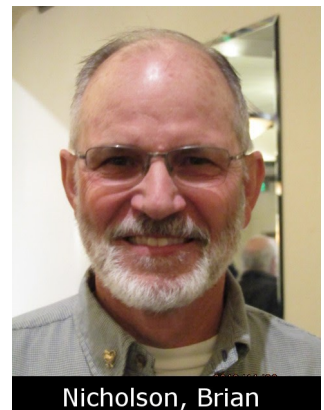
On Thursday, October 3rd, with the temperature still in the summer range peaking at 103 degrees, we started the month at Lemoore with 22 golfer for a flighted individual event. In Flight A Javier Rodriguez won by 1 stroke with a net 71. In Flight B Charlie Amsalian won by 1 stroke with a net 69. The closest to the pin on Hole # 7 was John Shertenlieb at 1 foot 7 inches and on #11 Brian Nicholson was closest at 5 feet 2 inches. The low gross for the day of 75 was shot by Javier Rodriguez.

On Wednesday, October 9th, we were back in Fresno at Airways GC with 49 golfers playing a 4Man2BB event with the temperature still feeling like Summer with a high of 95 degrees. The team of Dana Hamparzoomian, Keith Lovgren, Gary Morgan, and Rich Morrissey won by 3 strokes with a net 121. The closest to the pin on Hole #7 was Mike Parker at 4 feet 5 inches and on Hole #15 Russ Conrad was closest at 2 feet 9 inches. The low gross for the day of 78 was shot by both Mike Moyle and Gary Morgan.

On Thursday, October 17th, we were at Ridge Creek GC with 42 golfers for a 2ManBB tournament with the temperatures finally finding their Fall levels with a high of 78 degrees. The team of Larry Henricksen and Rick Ransom won by 1 stroke with a net score of 63. The closest to the pin on Hole # 3 was Bill Leavitt at 4 feet 0 inches and on Hole #16 Rick Ransom was closest at just 8 inches.. The low gross for the day of 78 was shot by Russ Anderson.

On Thursday, October 24th, we were again at Eagle Springs GC with 34 golfers for a Four-man Scramble event with the temperature warming to a high of 77 degrees. This was a Tee Time event instead of a Shotgun start due to some scheduling issues. The team of Javier Rodriguez, Rick Moss, Bill Leavitt, and Rick Ransom won by 2 strokes with a net 54. The closest to the pin on #7 was Russ Anderson at 13 feet 4 inches and on #17 Fred Martinez was closest at 14 feet 2 inches.

On Thursday, October 31st (Halloween-I saw many people dressed up as pretend golfers), we were at Madera Muni GC with 39 golfers playing a SHAMBLE 4Man2BB event with the temperature maxing out at a below average 67 degrees accentuated by a light breeze. The team of Mike Moyle, Joe Kosinski, Bill Demarinis, and Bob Souza won by 1 stroke with a net 114. The closest to the pin on Hole #6 was Russ Anderson at 5 feet 9 inches and on Hole #15 Brett Bayley was closest at 8 feet 5 inches. The assisted and not recorded low gross for the day of 72 was shot by both Mike Moyle



Nicholson, Brian

Dine Out Night

Hector Leyva is chair for Dine Out Night for 2025. Help make it a success. This is an opportunity to involve fellow members and include your sweetie or significant other.

Dine out is monthly between January and November of the year. We need a chair for each month and duties are as follows:

1. Sign up for desired month
2. Find a restaurant
3. Third Wednesday of the month
4. Monthly attendance has been between 30-40 people
5. Ask for individual checks (singles or couples) with gratuities included
6. Social hour is 5:00 pm with Dinner at 5:30 pm
7. Prefer a venue with full bar or option for Beer & Wine
8. Sign-up sheet to be brought to monthly luncheon
9. Flyer or information of Dine Out venue to be emailed to Fred Martinez between the 23-27th of the month to be put in the monthly Chanticleer Newsletter.

Fred Martinez ajm7pc@hotmail.com

mobile 559-365-4123

Dine Out Chairman

Hector Leyva

hecramsey@sbcglobal.net

mobile or text 559-970-3197

The 2025 golf dues are now payable. The amount due is \$55 and your check should be made payable to "SIR 159 GOLF". You can mail the check to Roger McCoy. His address is: 1514 W Tenaya

Fresno CA 93711

Or give your check to me or Roger at the next golf outing or at the SIR luncheon in November.

Thank you,

Brian Nicholson

We would like to thank EVERYONE who attended the October Dine Out dinner at Black Bear Diner. We had a small crowd, but the food and company were great. Join us next month at Buffalo Wild Wings. More information in November Chanticleer and at luncheon.

The only way that we can keep the Dine Out going and make it a success, is if we have group participation.

Help is needed with monthly Host sign ups in 2025. Pick a month, pick your restaurant and pick your location. Right now we have January, February and July months covered for Dine Out.

See attached flyer for monthly sign-up and Host Responsibilities and Terry Schneider has supplied a listing of possible Dine Out restaurants to help with your selection.

Thank-you,

Dine Out Chairman,

Hector Leyva

Questions, Call or Text

559-97-3197

DATE NIGHT RESTAURANT POSSIBILITIES

YOSEMITE FALLS	BLACKSTONE	225-6800
SHANGHI	BLACKSTONE & GRIFFITH	221-0227
OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY	EAST SHAW	222-1066
ANDIAMO'S	SHAW IN CLOVIS	298-3196
SANTA FE BASQUE	MAROA	226-7499
RED LOBSTER	EAST SHAW	221-9495
MARIE CALENDARS	SHAW	271-0148
COLTON'S	SHAW IN CLOVIS	721-6655
JAVIER'S	EAST KINGS CANYON	252-4511
SEQUOIA BREWING	OLIVE IN TOWER	264-5521
DICICCO'S	ANYWHERE	
ELBOW ROOM	WEST SHAW	221-1747
COSMOPOLITAN	VENTURA- CONVENTION CTR.	266-8662
CATTLEMAN'S	WEST SHAW	896-8450
TAHOE JOE'S	CEDAR	299-9740
TEXAS ROADHOUSE	WEST SHAW	274-1100
OVIDIO'S	WEST BULLARD	435-1396
TOLEDO'S	SHAW IN CLOVIS	298-0290
SHEPHERDS INN	SANTA FE -FRESNO	266-2228
DOG HOUSE GRILL	EAST SHAW	294-9920
YARD HOUSE	EL CAMINO AVE	261-2165
HUNAN CHINESE	CEDAR	297-0336
YOSHINO	BLACKSTONE	431-2205
PHOENICIAN GARDEN	HERNDON	261-2747
ARK MEDITERRANIAN	CHAMPLAIN DR.	840-0018
FLEMING'S	SHAW	222-5823

DINE OUT NIGHT

Come ALONE, bring your sweetie, significant other, but join us on-----

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

(Week before Thanksgiving)

Buffalo Wild Wings

3331 W. Shaw Ave., Fresno 93711

(At Shaw & Valentine Avenue @ Broadway Faire)

(Wings, Tenders, Burgers, Sandwiches and Wraps, Salads and Desserts)

Full Bar

No Host Social Hour 5:00 p.m.

We will be ordering from the menu with individual paying and 18% Gratuity is included in final billing

Social 5:00, Dinner 5:30

Hosted by Hector and Karyn Leyva

Reserve with Hector 559-970-3197 (Call or Text) or

Karyn 559-970-3198 (Call or Text) or

CRUISE 2025 INFORMATION

4-day Baja Mexico: Catalina, Ensenada

Only \$50 pp will hold spot

4 days on Carnival Firenze—135,156 tons.

April 27-May 1, 2025

Group name----SIR159 Cruise

Group Booking #R2JN99

phone # 1-866-721-3225 EXT. 70229

Inside cabin 4E Deck 6/7 = \$384.00pp

Deck 6 mid = Double occupancy Total \$ 768.00

Deck 7 Forward & AFT = Single occupancy Total \$728.19

Oceanview 6L Deck 1/2 = \$469.00pp

= Double occupancy Total \$938.00

Balcony 8B = \$552.00pp

Deck 6 mid = Double occupancy Total \$1104.00

Deck 7 Forward & AFT = Single Total \$1064.19

***Prices may vary depending on location picked

Totals include port taxes and fees

Gratuities \$ 64.00/pp

Travel Protection \$49.00 avg./pp (optional)

Nov. 15, 2024, Deposit \$50.00pp----will hold spot

Dec. 28, 2024, Due \$150.00 pp including deposit----**CAN DECLARE CABIN LOCATION ONCE \$150 pp PAID**

Feb. 11, 2025, Final payment

Early Dining

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

Karyn 559-970-3198

Thanks all, Hector and Karyn Leyva

Blow some smoke



Cigar Aficionado
Fig Garden
Wed, Nov 20, 2024, 1pm

Lee Moy