



Our next in-person meeting together will be on **May 11th, social time at 11 AM, the meeting will begin at 11:30 AM.**

**Check your Email! Steve Behnke has sent you an invitation and sign-up for our May meeting from a new email address, SIR Branch 171. If you do not see it in your Inbox, please check your spam (junk) email folder.**

PLEASE RESPOND EITHER YES (with your sandwich selection) or NO. The cost of the lunch is \$20 and includes the facility fee. BEER, WINE and soft drinks will be available in the bar area.

All members will have to present proof of a 'booster' as well as vaccine and have a completed waiver on file. If you haven't already done so, please print and sign the attached waiver and bring it with you. As of this writing, **masks will still be recommended indoors**, unless you are eating or drinking.

### **Please support your Speaker Committee!**

Branch 171 has formed a Speaker Committee in an effort to expand our reach to prospective speakers for our monthly luncheons. Finding people with interesting backgrounds who bring relevant and interesting topics to discuss with our group can be a challenge. To that end, Clark Wallace, Steve Patton, Bill Wadsworth and Steve Behnke have teamed up to tackle the task together. As SIR members who have lived and worked in the area for years you probably know or know of someone who would make an interesting speaker. We encourage you email Steve Behnke (stevebehnke@mac.com) with suggestions and we will reach out to them with an invitation to speak.

### **Our speaker for the May meeting: Our Area Governor Michael**

**Barrington.** Author of such books as "The Bishop Wears No Drawers", "Let the Peacock Sing", "Becoming Anya" and the upcoming "The Ethiopian Affair". He will be speaking to us about his professional career as a writer.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The State Golf Committee would like to invite you to our second golfing event of the year to be held in Reno the week of June 13th. This four day event includes an option for either playing two or three days of golf. Atlantis Hotel and Casino will again be our host hotel. For much more information on this event click on the Tournament Information tab below. You can also find more information on other future events, golf committee member contact information, golf policies and so much more by clicking on the State Golf website tab below or by entering "[www.sirgolf.org](http://www.sirgolf.org)" on your computer, tablet or phone.

**BIRTHDAYS!** The prize is a free lunch (YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!)

Horst Apenroth, Tom Beals, Peter Berryhill, Rich Carmel, Bill Cooper, Bob Damaschino, Bob DeJohn, Gray Eliot, Bob Frane. Al Gertmenian, Ken Jew, Rich Kehoe, Mark Mahoney, Dave Munson, Ken Nakashima, Fred Patton, Jack Sechler, Rich Tietz, Clark Wallace, Carter Wells and Don Wolfe.

## **ACTIVITIES REPORT: DAVID ZEIMER**

We are in the process of updating activities on our website [Lamorinda Branch 171 \(sirinc2.org\)](http://Lamorinda Branch 171 (sirinc2.org)).

Reopened : Stamp and Coin Collecting, Bridge, Bocce (May 10<sup>th</sup>).

Waiting BEC Approval: Historical Adventures

If anyone is interested in chairing the Couples Dining Out or Travel Activities, please contact David Zeimer (dzeimer12@gmail.com).

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT: ED DRAISIN**

Prior Month: 247

Inductees: 0

Deductions: 4

Total, This Month 243

## **TREASURER'S REPORT: ED PROTIVA**

Beginning:	\$7882.14
Receipts:	\$2141.5
Disbursements:	\$2410.97
Balance:	\$7613.39

## **WELLNESS REPORT: ERIC CHO**

No news is good news!\*\*\*

\*\*\* Please try to contact SIR's with illnesses to offer your support and encouragement and keep them in our thoughts and prayers. A friendly call is welcome. Cards and letters are always appreciated.

\*\*\* Please contact Eric Cho by e-mail or phone if you are aware of a passing, injury, or illness of a member.

**Also enjoy reading SIR Happenings**, our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can find the most recent edition of SIR Happenings on our SIR State website -- click on the following link, or cut and paste the link into your browser to view -  
- [www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/](http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/) Some very interesting articles highlighting news of interest from other SIR branches including several of our branches in Area 2. Send comments and article to [HappeningsEditor@gmail.com](mailto:HappeningsEditor@gmail.com).