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LUNCHEON INFORMATION

APR 2024

The Gateway Chapter 169

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SPRING BREAK!

APRIL Luncheon Information

WHEN; TUESDAY April 9, 2024

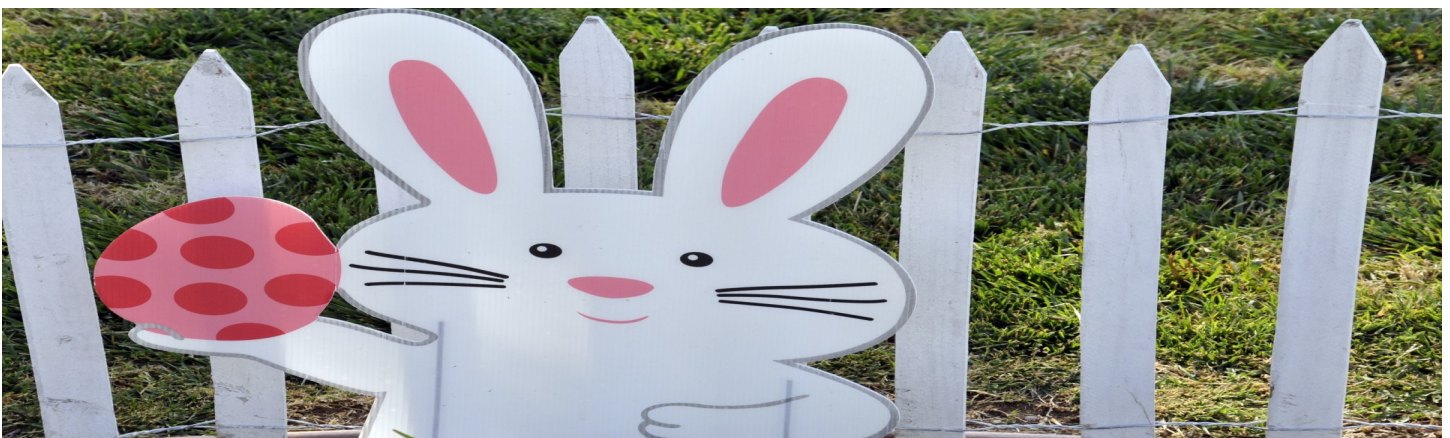
WHERE: Pardinis Catering

TIME: 1100 Social Hour, 1200 Lunch

COST: Lunch \$25. Annual Dues \$25

SPEAKER: Liz Zemke, RN, MS, CCN, Veterans Programs

MENU: Beef, Chicken, or Chef Salad,
(Alternative Diet options available
Please let your caller know)





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BIG SIR COMMENTS

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Hope everyone is enjoying the spring forward. The extra time is now beginning to show with darkness coming after 7:00. That means an extra hour for golf. It was nice to start at 9:00 on Tuesday instead of the normal 8:00. That extra hour seems to help.

We had an unexpected cancellation for April. However, our new speaker is Liz Zemke, RN, MS, CCM. I got Liz due to her experience with the VA. She is a consultant for care management and also works with VA Pensions for Aid and Attendance, as well as senior care resources. We are always on the lookout for ways to help our Vets.

Just a reminder to everyone, May is Mother's Day month, and we have a special speaker just for the ladies (the men will enjoy our speaker as well). Our guest will be DA Lisa Smittcamp. She has spoken before at our May Lady's day luncheon and she is always well received. So ask your favorite significant other and make sure you reserve Tuesdays, May 14th for our luncheon.

Happy Spring everyone. See you on the golf course.

Ernie Sopp. Big Sir





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LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

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LITTLE SIR REPORT

Illness caused me to miss our March meeting. My green shirt was ironed and ready to go, so I saved it for the real St. Patrick's Day, but I remain disappointed to miss the presentation by John Coyle.

This months, we were set to hear Courtney Crawford on estate planning -- an issue for any retired person, or even before! However, the plan has changed, we will have Liz Renke, RN speaking on various topics affecting seniors and Veterans. I look forward to being there and seeing all of you.

John Eleazarian
Little Sir





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TREASURERS REPORT

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MARCH 2024 TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning CB Balance: \$ 10,265.91

Income: \$ 2,448.00

Expenses: \$ 2,378.38

Ending CB Balance: \$ 10,235.63

Petty Cash: \$ 100.00

Ending Total Bal: \$ 10,335.63





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SECRETARY REPORT

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SIR 169 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: March 12, 2024

Big SIR called the meeting to order at 9:59 am

ATTENDING: Frank Bavarro; Ed Dorn; Duane Evans; Jim Forden; Ted Fox; Jim Hiney; Nick Lopez; Bernie Hollenbeck; Luis Rodriguez; Ernie Sopp; Roger Stewart

Guest(s): Manny Contino

BIG SIR REPORT: Statewide Meeting of SIR officers scheduled for 3/15 in Lafayette, CA.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC Approve and accept the Minutes with the following corrections: Motion made, discussed, seconded and carried that *“any person who fails to keep current on the payment of the SIR169 dues, will not be eligible to participate in any activities of our Chapter”*.

LITTLE SIR REPORT: On behalf of Little SIR John Eleazarian: who was not in attendance today, Big SIR Ernie reported that today’s speaker will be John Coyer from the Center for the Living.

SECRETARY REPORT: Jim Forden reported: 1) Service Awards have been prepared for two of our members, Howard Jones and Thomas Wider, and mounted certificates were handed to the Big SIR for presentation to the men at our meeting. 2) With the passing of Dale Messer and Marshall Goodwin and the return of Joe Salazar to Active status, membership or the Chapter now totals 160. 3) Significant progress has been made in securing the personal data needed for the Directory, with only a page and a third of missing information..

TREASURE'S REPORT: Nick Lopez distributed our Treasury Statement for March 2024 which reported that with Luncheon Revenues, Dues collected and 50/50 proceeds there was a total of \$4,379.00 of Income for the month of February. Expenses for the period totaled \$3,626.87, leaving a total (including Petty Cash) of \$10,162.91 Cash Available. Discussion followed regarding the success of our finances and suggestions were offered as to how we might want to offer a special benefit to the membership.



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SECRETARY REPORT (cont)

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ACTIVITIES: Ed Dorn reported that: 1) He will be presenting awards to two of our members who in golf “shot their age” during the past month. 2) During the meeting, sign up sheets for each of the three dining out groups will be available for members who wish to participate in one of more of these events. 3) Almost all of our golfers have paid their annual NCGA dues.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Hiney reported that in addition to an application received from Joe Salazar, who is returning to Active membership in our Chapter, he has received applications from three other men: Kevin Cleland; Robert Hollenbeck and Thomas Naranjo. MSC all for induction as members

SUNSHINE REPORT: Bernie Hollenbeck reported that: 1) Two members of our Chapter, Dale Messer and Marshall Goodwin have passed away during the past month. 2) Members who have been experiencing medical issues include: Earl Threlfal, Dennis Soliday, David Dias, Ron Silva and Manny Contino (who has joined us today)..

NEW BUSINESS: No additional and continuing issues to address at this time.).

OLD BUSINESS: At the February meeting of the BEC, there was a plea made by one of our members, requesting that the Board endorse opposition to an upcoming issue on the State ballot. There was some heated discussion regarding the request, with consensus that such an endorsement would not be appropriate given the state bilaws of SIR, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes.

Adjourned at 10:58 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary,

Minutes of the Board meeting are not finalized until approved at the following Board Meeting. Corrections and Changes to the newsletter should be forwarded to Jim Forden prior to the April meeting.



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BRANCH INFORMATION

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SIR 169 Executive Board and Committee Chairman

SIR 169 Executive Board

Big SIR Ernie Sopp	Little SIR John Eleazarian	Secretary Jim Forden	Asst. Secty Luis Rodriguez	Treasurer Nick Lopez	Asst. Treas Duane Evans	Activities Chairman Ed Dorn	Newsletter Editor Ted Fox
							
Bernie Hollenbeck	Frank Bavaro Director	Jim Hiney Director	Bob Large Director	Roger Stewart Director	Manny Contino Director		
							
Sunshine Chairman		Big SIR 2023					

CALLERS



Dave Hoffman 374-5622, Bob Lung 252-1483, Ted Fox 298-3179,
 Bob Large 227-7136, Anthony Noia 492-1848, Jim Peterson 897-5595,
 Bernie Hollenbeck 291-7625, Brian Ohde 255-5249, Tom Wider 760-2669
 Ken Meyers 297-0567, Bill Prince 940-0779, Don Beauregard 431-4866,
 Gerald Stoltenberg 289-9287, Rob Saulsbury 285-7985, Les Saywell 434-4580,
 Keith Herzog 439-0986, Thomas Schab 960-9377

Branch Website: SIR169.org
 State Website: SIRINC.org



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IMPORTANT APRIL EVENTS

The Gateway Chapter 169

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



- Marvin Carrera
- Michael Carrera
- Anthony Noia
- Ron Silva
- Ray Smith
- Earl (Chick) Threfall

- William Coit
- Fred Ketcham
- Larry Zander
- Frank Sharton
- Woodie Wilk
- Anthony Costa

Robert Protzman

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES



- Jerry and Judy Mac Donald
- Dan and Debbie Nance
- John and Judy Noll
- All other members and spouses celebrating April An-

- Scott and Ruth Barcus
- Rick and Lynn Christl
- James and Nancy Forden
- Robert and Jeanean Garcia
- Richard and Ellen Lara
- Ron and Sylvia Lott

happy anniversary



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ACTIVITIES

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Golf: Complete results and the current schedule can be found on the golf web page: <https://sirgcare29br169.memberplanet.com>

April Schedule:

Jim Peterson is the host for April

April 2, Tues	9:00	Ridge Creek	4man 2bb
Apr 16, Tues	8:00	Riverside	Cha Cha Cha
Apr 23, Tues	9:00	Pheasant Run	4man 2bb
April 30, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb

Thank you to Don Laines for hosting in February.

Sir State Golf

The State Sir Golf committee has events in April, June, August, September and October.

For Additional information go to: <https://www.golf.sirinc2.org>



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Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on April 11th at 6:00 at Helen's Gourmet Restaurant located at 7444 N. Fresno St., Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the April luncheon for this fun event.



Sirs Diners: 2nd Wednesday April 17th

La Kebrada Restaurant located at 9415 N. Fort Washington Road, Fresno. Drinks at 5:00, dinner at 6:00. Contact Don Laines to sign up.



Date-Nite: 3rd Wednesday

David and Silvia Wear chose AJ's Armenian Cuisine for our April dinner. We ate at this restaurant once before and the food was outstanding, and moderately priced. The restaurant is located at 5048 N. Maroa (just immediately north of Shaw Ave). Their telephone number is 225-4586. My cell phone is 906-9050.

I made a reservation with Gil for April 17th at 4:30 pm.



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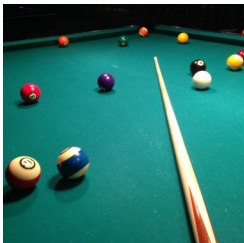
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Poker Groups

1. Formerly Br 169 group. Contact Ed Dorn, Jim Hiney or Ted Fox if you are interested in joining this poker group. We currently play once a month, the Wednesday following the luncheon, rotating houses. Light snacks and beverages supplied by the host. Time: 1 pm to 4 pm . Contact us at the monthly luncheon.
2. Formerly Br 179 group, aka. The SIR George Lane Memorial Poker Group usually plays once a month, on the 4th Wednesday of the month. We rotate houses and the host is responsible for providing a light lunch, snacks and beverages. Time 1200 pm to 300 pm. Let Chairman Richard Ewell know at richarde37@gmail.com if you are interested.



Pool Group

The pool players now meet for **BREAKFAST** at 9:00am on Thursdays at the Windham Retirement Home, followed by a few brisk rounds of pool at the same location. All members are welcome, skilled or novice. For more details, call Chairman Richard Ewell at 432-7601.



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BRANCH YEARLY GOLF SCHEDULE

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SIR 169 Golf Schedule

2024 January thru June

Ed Dorn, Golf Chairman
edorn@att.net 977-0779

SIR 169 Golf 2024 Schedule

Mick Carrera, Pairing
mick_carrera@hotmail.com 291-207

Date	Time	Course	Format	Chairman/Phone	E-Mail Address
JANUARY					
Jan 2, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4 Man 2bb	Jackie Lovato 307-9032	jl_lovato@yahoo.com
Jan 16, Tues	9:00	Riverside	Flighted	Jackie Lovato	
Jan 23 Tues	10:00	Ridge Creek	Cha Cha Cha	Jackie Lovato	
Jan 30 Tues	10:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Jackie Lovato	
FEBRUARY					
Feb 6, Tues	9:00	Airways	Cha Cha Cha	Dan Lindstom	dlindstrom.12951@gmail.com
Feb 20 Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	4 Man 2bb	Dan Lindstom	
Feb 27, Tues	8:30	Riverside	Lone Ranger	Dan Lindstom	
MARCH					
Mar 5, Tues	9:00	Airways	2 Man bb	Don Laines 908-5441	lainesf@comcast.net
Mar 19 Tues	9:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Don Laines	
Mar 26, Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Don Laines	
APRIL					
April 2, Tues	9:00	Ridge Creek	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson 304-0100	jimmargpeterson@yahoo.com
Apr 16, Tues	8:00	Riverside	Cha Cha Cha	Jim Peterson	
Apr 23, Tues	9:00	Pheasant Run	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson	
April 30, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson	
MAY					
May 7 Tues	8:00	Airways	Lone Ranger	Brian Ohde	ohdefamily@hotmail.com
May 21, Tues	9:00	Valley Oaks	Shambles	Brian Ohde	
May 28 Tues	9:00	Lemoore	2man bb	Brian Ohde	
JUNE					
June 4 Tues	8:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Ken Myers	
June 13, Thurs	8:00	Belmont	Scrambles	Ken Myers	
June 18, Tues	9:00	River Creek-Oakhurst	2man bb	Ken Myers	kmyers654@aol.com
June 25 Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Ken Myers	



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July thru Dec 2024

JULY

July 2, Tues	8:00	Ridge Creek	Lone Ranger	Joe Russo	jrr.12@sbcglobal.net
July 16, Tues	8:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Joe Russo	
July 23, Tues	8:00	Pheasant Run	Straight golf	Joe Russo	
July 30, Tues	8:00	Riverside	4man 2bb	Joe Russo	
AUGUST					
August 6, Tues	8:00	Airways	Lone Ranger	Nick Lopez	nicklopez741@yahoo.com
Aug 20, Tues	8:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Nick Lopez	
Aug 27 Tues	9:00	Lemoore	flighted	Nick Lopez	
SEPTEMBER					
Sept 3, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Duane Oberquell	d.oberquell@comcast.net
Sept 12, Thurs	8:00	Belmont	Scrambles		
Sept 17, Tues	8:00	Ridge Creek	Cha Cha Cha	Duane Oberquell	
Sept 24, Tues	8:30	Riverside	4man 2bb	Duane Oberquell	
OCTOBER					
Oct 1, Tues	9:00	Airways	Cha Cha Cha	Richard Lara	rlara0505@comcast.net
Oct 15 Tues	9:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Richard Lara	
Oct 22, Tues	10:00	Rivercreek-Oakhurst	4man 2bb	Richard Lara	
Oct 29 Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	Shambles	Richard Lara	
NOVEMBER					
Nov 5 Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	Flighted	Roy Grijalva	roysgrijalva@msn.com
Nov 19, Tues	9:00	Airways	4man 2bb	Roy Grijalva	
Nov 26, Tues	9:00	Pheasant Run	4man 2bb	Roy Grijalva	
DECEMBER					
Dec 3, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	Cha Cha Cha	Dave Dinsdale 301-4477	getover50@comcast.net
Dec 17, Tues	9:00	Riverside	Lone Ranger	Dave Dinsdale	
Dec 31, Tues	9:00	Airways	Scrambles	Dave Dinsdale	
Branch Championship Best 3 our of 4 events					
Please check in 30 minutes prior to tee time					
Note: Belmont is tentative (waiting for their approval)					



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MARCH LUNCHEON PHOTOS

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Big SIR Ernie Sopp opening the meeting,

Bernie and Jim giving their committee reports





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Howard Jones was presented with the SIR Organization “Presidential Award”, presented to members over the age of 90. Congratulations to Howard.





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Ed Dorn, giving his committee reports



Frank Bavarro thanked and recognized for creating new closest to the Pin Markers , Great Job.



Joe Russo and Mick Carrera being recognized for Shooting a golf score lower than their ages.

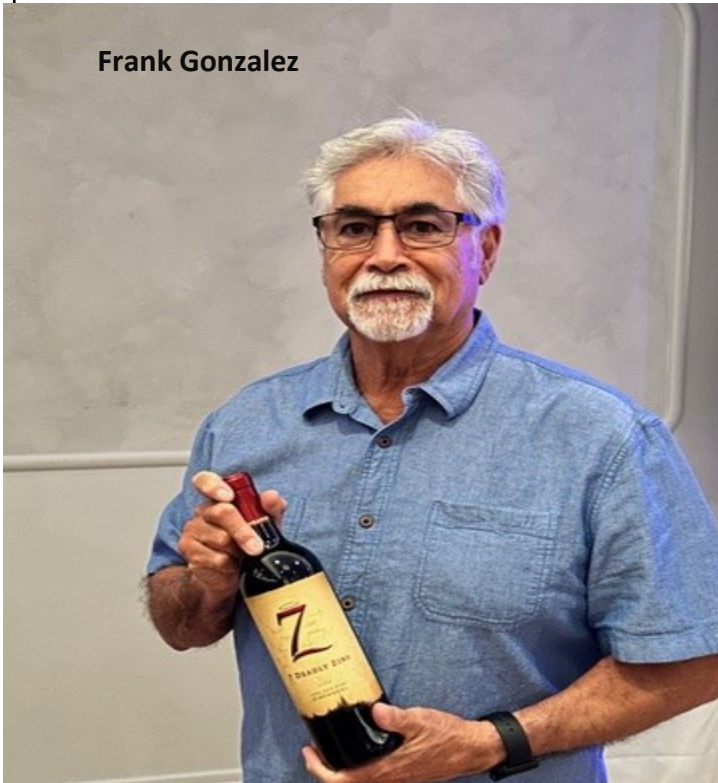


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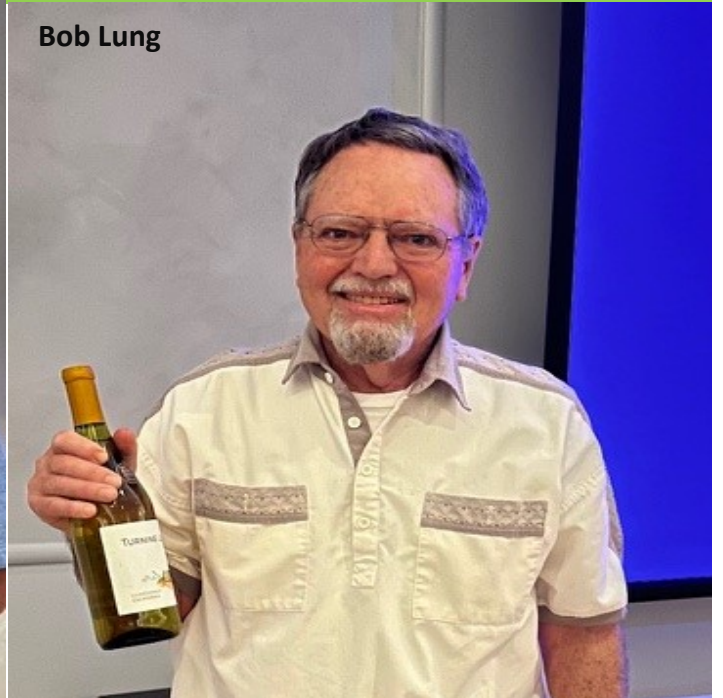
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Frank Gonzalez



WINE WINNERS

Bob Lung



Mick Carrera



Dan Nance





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50/50 WINNERS



Doug Nowlin

Leonard Lovato

Nick Smirnov



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MARCH BIRTHDAY BOYS

Ernie





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MARCH BIRTHDAY LUNCH WINNERS



Luis Rodriquez

Randy Bushore



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NEW MEMBER INDUCTED



NEW MEMBER

Kenneth Beal

SPONSOR

Jackie Lovato



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Guest Speakers John and Dawn Coyle, sharing their presentation on the Center for Living.

