



SIR GATEWAY BRANCH 169



A Non-Profit Organization for Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement



LUNCHEON: DECEMBER 13, 2016

10:30 Board Meeting

11:30 Social Hour, Noon: Lunch

Menu: Holiday Ham or Chicken

LADIES DAY

\$15 for paid membership and guests

\$ 18 for those paying monthly

ENTERTAINMENT: John Cotter is a Lt.



MESSAGE FROM BIG SIR

It is great to be back in the United States after 29 days abroad. It was a great trip and an amazing walk into the past of Spain and Italy. I won't try to provide a description of all the places visited or the many amazing sights, all I will say is it was Unbelievable.

I spoke with Mike Barabe and understand the meeting went very well and the speaker was outstanding, I am sorry I missed the luncheon. See you at our Christmas luncheon



MESSAGE FROM LITTLE SIR



On December 13th we will have our Christmas luncheon. Our spouses are invited to join us for the luncheon and entertainment. The Bullard TALENT children will help usher in the Christmas Season with their voices of good cheer. Be sure to join your friends and celebrate the Holiday Season with one of the most popular luncheons of the year.

John Cotter Lt. Colonel (Ret.) was our speaker for our Veterans Day luncheon and his related stories were most interesting. I think he could have entertained 15 more minutes of questions if we had the time. I wish to thank Ed Dorn and Bernie Hollenbeck for helping facilitate the November meeting while our Big SIR was absent on vacation.

While talking about Bernie, he is in need of a couple of our members to come forward and help with one of the calling lists (10-11 people). If you can assist with this duty for 20-30 minutes a month it would be very much appreciated. Please contact Bernie Hollenbeck!

SECRETARY NOTES -

DATE: November 8, 2016

ATTENDING: Mike Barabe, Bernie Hollenbeck, Duane Evans, Brian Kelly, Walt Parrish, Luis Rodriguez, and Jim Forden.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion made and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report.

MEMBERSHIP: No applications at this time for new membership.

APPROVED AND WILL BE INSTALLED TODAY: Tom Connors, Tony Williams, and Ron Wagner.

MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: 132

PROGRAM OR SPEAKER TODAY: John Cotter.

MOTIONS MADE and PASSED: To approve the October E-Board



Meeting Minutes, and Approve the 2017 Golf Schedule.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Bill Halsey not feeling well, Ed Wildgans needs foot surgery, and Don Whitlow is having back issues.

ATTENDANCE TODAY: 62

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

LUIS RODRIQUEZ

ACTIVITIES

COUPLES NIGHT OUT:

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be December 15th at the Daily Grill Restaurant located at 7855 N. Palm Ave., Fresno. Dinner is at 6:30. Contact Ed Dorn at 433-0670 or email him at edorn@att.net. You can also sign up at the December luncheon for this fun evening.

BOWLING: Every Friday at 1:00pm at Sierra Lanes on Blackstone and Sierra Avenue in Fresno. Contact Ted Fox for additional information.

LAWN BOWLING: Weekly at the Holmes Playground. Contact Bob Large at 227-7136 for additional information.

DIGITAL MEDIA/COMPUTER GROUP: Meets on October 12, 1PM at the Woodward Park Regional Library "River Room" 944 East Perrin Ave, Fresno CA 93720. All SIR Branches, Wives and Guests are welcome. **There will be no December Computer Group meeting** due to the business of the season. The next meeting will be January 17.

SIR TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES: For members and Guests only

There is a lengthy list of potential trips provided at the luncheon. Contact Ed Dorn if you are interested in any of these trips.

GOLF OUTINGS: JANUARY Contact host Mike Torigian: 439-2300

December 6th: Dragon Fly 10:00

December 20th: Sherwood 10:00

December 27th: Riverside 10:00

Note: The NCGA dues are due by the end of December. Please bring your check for \$36 to the next luncheon or tournament.

Golf News from November: (Note: check our new webpage for up to date results)

On November 1st we played a scrambles format at Madera Golf CC with the following results:

- 1st Place: Lee Nichols, Fred Bates, Jim Bourbon, Mike O'Connell
- 2nd Place: Bob Large, John Tracy, Ron Miller, Ken Myers
- 3rd Place: Scott Barcus, Jackie Lovato, Ed Dorn, Gary Gregory
- 4th Place: Ron Elder, Mick Carrera, Ken Lai, Dale Zanovich

Closest To The Pin

Hole # 4	Lee Nichols 10' 4"	Tony Williams 21' 10"
Hole #8	John Tracy 3' 0"	Brian Ohde 5' 3"
Hole #4	Ron Miller 6' 2"	Ron Elder 8' 1"
Hole #16	John Tracy 14' 4"	Dan Lindstrom 19' 3"

**Sir Pete White
and his
Feather in the
Cap Award**



On November 15th we played an Arizona Shuffle format at Madera Muni with the following results:

- 1st Place: Gilbert Matossian, Tony Williams, Fred Bates, Tom Topjian
- 2nd Place: Dan Lindstrom, Dennis Soliday, Jim Forden, Ed Harris
- 3rd Place: Bob Large, Dennis Ensminger, Jack Yagura, Jim Bourbon
- 4th Place: Mike Castle, Blind Draw, Ed Dorn, Bob Lung

Closest to Pin:

Hole #3:	Mike Torigian 10'3"	Pete White 11'10"
Hole #6:	Ron Miller 2'9"	Jackie Lovato 2'11"
Hole# 11:	Lee Nichols 4'0"	Jack Yagura 5'11.5"
Hole#15:	Jim Peterson 9'2"	Dennis Ensminger 17'1"



HONORING
VETERANS
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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

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| Seth Atamian | Roderick Robinson |
| Mike Barabe | Tom Topjian |
| Charles Freeman | Michael Torigian |
| Steve Kim | John Tracy |

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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| Seth & Beverly | Atamian | Ronald & Carol | Miller |
| Seth & Cathy | Barabe | Raymond & | Montag |
| Fred & Linda | Bates | Alford & Connie | Mallo |
| Fred & Carrie | Kreitner | Arthur & Shirley | Vey |

NOVEMBER LUNCHEON



WINNERS

BIRTHDAY LUNCH WINNER



SIR Dean Philpot

50/50 WINNERS



SIR Dan Lindstrom



SIR Kent Fairchild

WINE WINNERS



SIR Bernie Hollenbeck



SIR Ed Harris



SIR Dean Philpot

NEW MEMBERS AND SPONSORS



Sponsor SIR Scott Barcus (center) and new members SIR Wagner & SIR Tom Connors



Tony Williams & Sponsor SIR Jim Bourbon