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LUNCHEON INFORMATION

BIG SIR COMMENTS

Jan 2022

The Gateway Chapter 169

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January Luncheon

When: January 11, 2022

Where: Pardini's Catering, 2275 W Shaw Ave

Time: BEC Meeting 1000, Social Hour 1100-1200, Luncheon 1200

Cost: Members/Guest: \$20.00

Speaker: Ray Linker

Menu: Beef or Chicken

Masks will be required to be worn as you enter the meeting, once seated masks may be removed

BIG SIR ARTICLE JANUARY 2022

Well here we go gentlemen, we are now beginning a new year for our SIRS Branch 169. It is my honor to be your Big Sir as we enter 2022. I have certainly met a number of you but like a lot of people our age I don't always recall names. I will be working hard to get to know more of you and even remember your names. As I think about SIRS and why I joined it reminds me that we didn't really get into this organization to complicate our lives. We joined to have opportunities to meet new friends, enjoy some great activities and just continue our lives feeling positive and fulfilled.

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Like a lot of you I've been retired for a few years (and they do go fast don't they?) but like most of you I've looked for ways to stay busy, connect with others, and have fun! I believe SIRS exist to do just that. We have managed to keep things going through COVID so we must be doing something right! My personal journey has been with my return to music by both performing and directing Concert Bands. I know a lot of you have found what makes you happy as well. If you haven't don't stop looking, it is important for a good peace of mind.

I'm pretty sure we will have challenges both personally and within our organization. Our two challenges right now are to find a Little Sir and a Treasurer for our Branch. But I'm also confident we will find a way through these challenges especially when we lean on each other for help. I pledge to help grow our organization and to maintain the SIRS mission: "To improve the lives of our members thru fun activities and events while making friends for life"

Below is the Statewide SIR requirements for Masking at "indoor" events, this will be enforced at the January meeting.

Distribution: All Big Sirs

December 15, 2021

Gentlemen,

California Department of Public Health (CDPH) issued a revised guidance on face coverings. Although styled as a guidance, the document states that the CDPH **"is requiring masks to be worn in all indoor public settings, irrespective of vaccine status, for the next four weeks (December 15, 2021 through January 15, 2022).**

This is issued Statewide .

If you have any indoor "public" events between now and January 15, please adhere to this guidance.

Stu Williams
State President.



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SIR BRANCH COVID PROTOCOLS

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BRANCH PROTOCOLS FOR MINIMIZING COVID-19 LIABILITY In view of the deletion by SIR's insurance carrier, effective May 1, 2021, of coverage for pandemic diseases and the likelihood that other carriers are also not providing such coverage, the following requirements are necessary to protect the health and safety of SIR members and minimize SIR's exposure to possible claims related to pandemic diseases:

1. The branches are required to strictly observe corporate formalities, such as annual election of officers and keeping corporate minutes in a timely and orderly manner.
2. The branches are urged to encourage all branch members to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and to help those branch members who need assistance in finding vaccination centers and getting vaccinated.
3. Beginning May 1, 2021 and until further notice to the contrary, branches shall require branch members, visiting SIR members from other branches, guest speakers, guests, and spouses/significant others ("Attendees") to be fully vaccinated (2 shots, if required) as a condition of being allowed to attend branch activities which are conducted wholly or partially indoors. In the alternative, unvaccinated Attendees can attend such activities if they provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test administered within 3 days prior to an event they want to attend.
4. To ensure compliance with the requirements of item 3, branches shall require Attendees to show the original, a copy, or photo (in hardcopy or via a phone) of their vaccination record cards or test result documentation.
5. Branches shall maintain an updated list of members who have submitted proof of vaccination and use it to check them in for branch activities involving any indoor components. Branches need not require members who are on the vaccinated list to show proof of vaccination thereafter.
6. Branches shall require all Attendees participating in SIR activities to comply with all then-current state and county requirements related to COVID-19 protection, such as wearing masks and social distancing.
7. Branches shall require all Attendees attending SIR indoor or outdoor activities, to execute the attached waiver prior to allowing a member to attend such activities. Such waiver need only be executed once by a member, and the branch shall maintain the originals of such executed waivers for inspection by State SIR representatives.



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SIR EVENT WAIVER FORM

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SIR EVENT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR EXPOSURE TO COVID-19

Branch Name and Number: _____

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the general unavailability of insurance to cover liability related to that matter, the SIR branch listed above ("Branch") is requiring members, visiting SIR members from other branches, guest speakers, guests, and spouses/significant others attending events sponsored by the Branch or by Sons in Retirement, Incorporated ("State Sir") to agree to the following:

1. In attending activities sponsored by the Branch or State SIR, the undersigned agrees to comply with mask, social distancing, and other Covid-19 protocols required by applicable government bodies, the Branch, State SIR, and the applicable venue. Failure to do so will result in the attendee being asked to leave the event.
2. Regardless of adherence to mandated protocols, requirements, recommendations, and vaccinations, the undersigned acknowledges that there is a risk of Covid-19 exposure whenever an individual enters a public space, a building with other people, or a group of other individuals.
3. Knowing the foregoing risk, the undersigned assumes the risk of Covid-19 exposure and accepts sole responsibility for any exposure to Covid-19 and resulting health conditions that may occur due to attendance at a Branch or State SIR event.
4. The undersigned hereby releases and holds harmless the Branch, State SIR, and their respective officers, directors, and members from any and all responsibility for illness, death, or other losses arising from exposure to Covid-19 at a Branch or State SIR event.

**THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE,
UNDERSTANDS THE RISKS POSED BY COVID-19, AND SIGNS THE WAIVER AND RELEASE
VOLUNTARILY.**

Attendee's Name (print): _____ Attendee's

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

TREASURERS REPORT

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Little SIR Comments



TREASURER REPORT

Month of: November'21

Beginning Balance: \$ 3,359.95

Income: \$ 1,274.00

Expenses: \$ 1,854.38

Ending Balance: \$ 2,679.57



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SECRETARY REPORT

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SIR CHAPTER 169 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING ZOOM MEETING, RECAP

There was no official Board Meeting held in December. However an emergency Board meeting was held via Zoom on December 22, 2021 to discuss several key issues.

First: Increase in price for lunch at Pardini's. Together with the price increase and the need to insure a smooth and efficient check-in procedure it was determined that the luncheon fee would be set at \$20.00. This will include the meal cost and a portion of the annual dues. Those that may have already paid their full annual dues will have their dues returned or you can simply us that to pay for one of your monthly lunches.

Second: Mask Requirement. The State of California has implemented a masking requirement through January 15, 2022. As required by the State SIR announcement, all SIR indoor functions must comply with the masking requirement. Since our January luncheon is within the time frame we will require masks to be worn upon entry, but as soon as you are seated masks may then be removed.

Lastly: Our February luncheon will not be held on our typical 2nd Tuesday, scheduling issue with Pardini's. So the board has decided to reschedule for either the 2nd Monday or Wednesday. We will advise you as to the new date as soon as finalized.

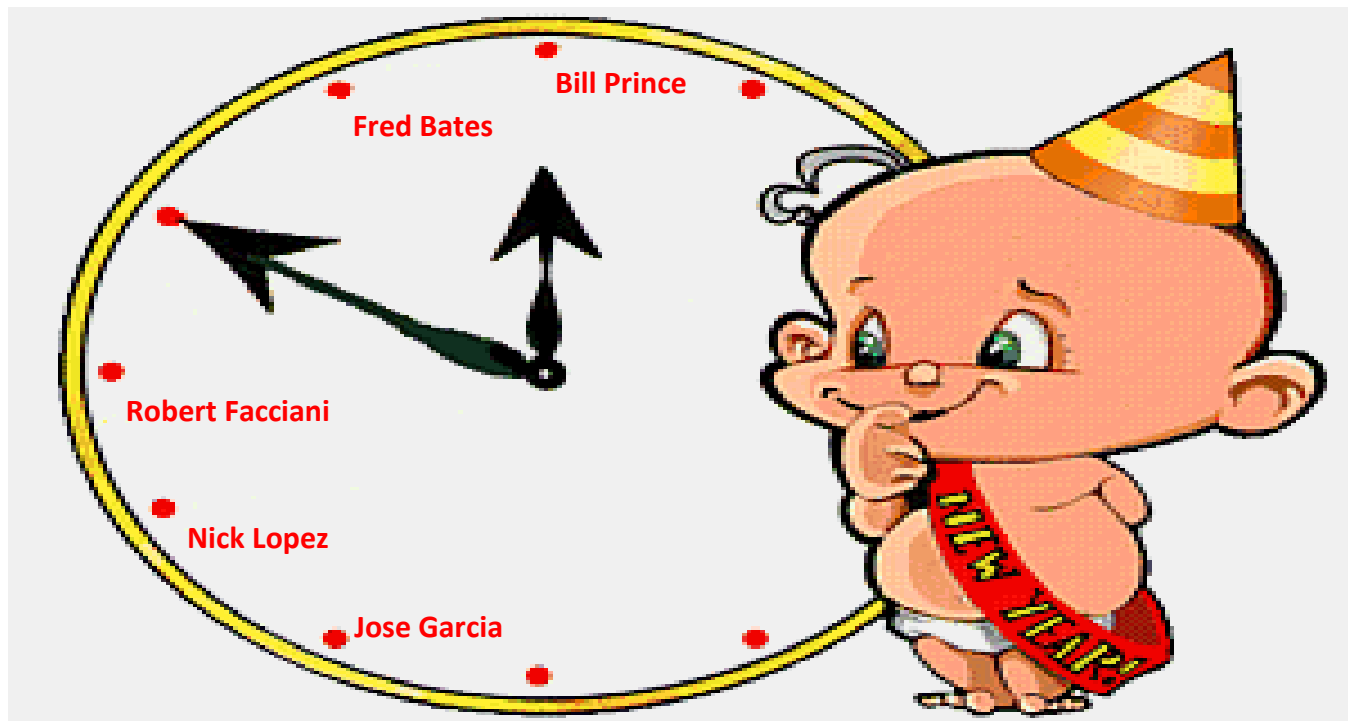


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IMPORTANT JAN EVENTS

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January Birthday Boys



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Frank and LeAnne

Bavarro

Ron and Marsha

Elder

Ralph and Barbara

Handly

Bernie and Lorna

Hollenbeck



Bob and Pauline

Large

Nick and Karen

Lopez

Duane and Linda

Oberquell

Jim and Margaret

Petersen



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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>

The golf committee has decided to keep the Golf Genius program for 2022. The new system, Blue Golf which NCGA has adopted does not currently meet the needs of our branch. Hopefully, they will be able to update this system so that we can utilize it in the future. For the coming year golfers will probably see both programs being utilized.

January Schedule:

Jackie Lovato is the host

Jan. 4th: 9:00 Dragon Fly 4man2bb

Jan. 18th: 10:00 Airways Flighted

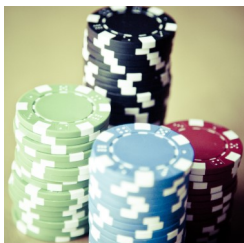
Jan. 25th: 10:00 Ridge Creek Cha Cha Cha

Thank you to Dave Dinsdale for hosting in December



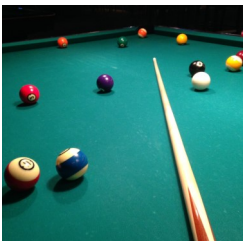
Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on January 13th at 6:00 at Phoenician Garden Restaurant located at 1025 E. Herndon Ave, Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the January luncheon for this fun evening



Poker Group

Contact Ed Dorn, Jim Hiney or Ted Fox if you are interested in joining the poker group. We currently play once a month, the Wednesday following the luncheon, rotating houses. Contact us at the monthly luncheon.



Pool Group

Contact Ted Fox (298-3179) if you are interested in joining the pool group. Group meets every Tuesday for breakfast then pool. Meet at Yosemite Falls for breakfast at 1000, then pool at "The Rack" at 1100.



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ACTIVITIES (cont)

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Pickle Ball

Contact member Larry Rowe: 559 623-8670, or at the meeting.. Group he is Involved with plays most mornings at a local park.



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DECEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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2022 Branch Executive Board





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DECEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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50/50 Winners



Raffle Winners





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NOVEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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Birthday Boy



Mike

Scott

Big SIR Scott Barckus with the one and only Birthday Boy for the month Mike Barabi



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DECEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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Bullard Talent Showcase Choir

