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HAPPY ST. PARRICK'S DAY

MARCH Luncheon

When: TUESDAY MARCH 8, 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: Perry Huffman

Menu: Corned Beef and Cabbage, Chicken, or Chef Salad

BIG SIR ARTICLE MARCH 2022

I have just a couple of things for our March Newsletter. Number 1 Can you believe it's already March? Man, time is just flying by it seems. Oh well, maybe that 's not a bad thing. We do have some good news regarding our scheduling of speakers. Even though we don't have a Little Sir at this time our executive board members have stepped up and we now have March, April and May covered for the speaker portion of our luncheons. We've secured Perry Huffman a very funny and entertaining illustrator for March, I'm bringing back the country music band we enjoyed a few months back for May, and finally Jim Forden secured Roger Tsuruda to speak about the Shinzen Garden and its History for our April Luncheon .



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I want to tell our membership that we are growing and that we have an important role as #169 Sirs Branch here in Fresno. We need a treasurer as we move forward. Duane Evans has done a tremendous job and is willing to stay on to assist our new treasurer. So if any of you are feeling the need to get more involved in our branch, please let me or another board member know. I promise we will make you feel welcomed and provide all the support you need to fulfill this very important position.

Daniel Lindstrom, Big SIR



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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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Two Irishmen were working in the public works department. One would dig a hole and the other would follow behind him and fill the hole in.

After a while, one amazed onlooker said: "Why do you dig a hole, only to have your partner follow behind and fill it up again?"

The hole digger wiped his brow and sighed, "Well, I suppose it probably looks odd because we're normally a three-person team. But today the lad who plants the trees called in [sick](#)."

FEBRUARY TREASURER REPORT





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SECRETARY REPORT

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date 2/7/2022

Big SIR, Dan Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 9:57 am

Attending: Scott Barcus; Ed Dorn, Duane Evans; Jim Forden; Ted Fox;; Jim Hiney; Bernie Hollenbeck, Bob Large, Jack Lovato, Dan Lindstrom; Luis Rodriguez.

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF Guests: Bruce Corwin, SIR Area 19 Governor

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC to approve Minutes of January 11 meeting..

BIG SIR: Thank you to Luis Rodriguez for arranging to have Paul Loeffler as today's speaker.

LITTLE SIR: No report (position vacant at present)

SECRETARY: Experiencing some difficulty in finding the correct recipient for the Form 27 report. Bruce Corwin offered to assist in this effort.

TREASURER: MSC to approve Treasury Report. The annual review of our accounting records by Larry Zander has been completed and will be forwarded to the State SIR.

ACTIVITIES: Ed Dorn reported that Couples Dine Out this month will be at the Palms Restaurant, which is located on Palm Ave., south of Nees. Golf proceeding as usual with a member of another chapter assisting with the pairing and scoring. Ed announced that he has information to distribute regarding the 2022 Blossom Tour, an invent that includes a tour of the local orchard blooms, wine tasting and a lunch. It was the consensus that the Board approve and encourage participation in this event.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Hiney reported that he has received an application for membership from Jackie for Frank Gonzales and a second from Howard Togo for George Thornburg. MSC to approve for induction to be accomplished today, if one or both attend the luncheon.

SUNSHINE: Bernie reported that for a second straight month, he has received no new reports of members being ill or otherwise incapacitated. He reiterated his request that he be notified when anyone hears of members having medical or other issues.



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SECRETARY REPORT, CONTINUED

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OLD BUSINESS: 1. At our last meeting there was initial discussion regarding the need to review the active status of some members who have not been attending the luncheons. Board members who have information regarding potential candidates for removal were to be sent to Jim Forden, Correspondingly, Jim received lists from Scott and Duane. Discussion ensued regarding the appropriate approach to be taken in paring down our active list by eliminating those men who have been absent for an extended period of time. Bernie produced a cc of a form letter that the State had prepared to address this with those who have been failing to maintain satisfactory participation. In an action step relative to this issue, Dan as Big SIR, offered to receive the names of persons who have been failing to participate, and will contact each directly to determine whether any or all need to be dropped from our Active Roster. 2. At the last meeting of the Board, Dan reported that State SIR has introduced a "Constant Contact" program. He asked the members if the matter warranted further discussion. By consensus, the matter was tabled for possible consideration at some future date. 3. At the January meeting of the Board, it was announced that, going forward Pardinis would only be offering two menu options. It has now been determined that one of the two will be Chef's Salad. On a similar note, Duane reported that the minimum plate requirement has been reduced to 45. 4. Particularly in the absence of a Little SIR, Dan requested that members of the Board, each take responsibility for finding and securing a speaker or program for one of the remaining luncheons of this year. MSC that each Member will assume that task.

NEW BUSINESS: Any additional items of concern will be carried forward to next month.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:57 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary

Minutes subject to final approval with changes at the next Board Meeting, March 8, 2022.



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IMPORTANT MARCH EVENTS

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March Leprichans

Robert (Andy) Anderson

Louis Dominguez

Frank Bavaro

Charles Feccia

Howard Togo

Steve Fortner

Dale Zanovich

Greg Geis

Ed Hansen

Leonard Lovato

Allen Miller

Michael O'Connell

Luis Rodriquez



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

*Robert and Lidia
McColliatr*

*Dale and
Shirlee Messer*

*Dear and Ann
Philpot*



*Roderick and Mar-
lene Robinson*

*Howard and Carol
Togo*

*Dale and Connie Za-
novich*



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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://sirgcarearea29br169.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.

March Schedule:

Don Laines and Tom Lean are the hosts

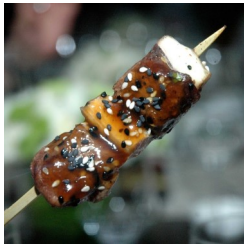
March 1st: 9:00 Airways 2manbb

March 15th: 9:00 Dragon Fly Scrambles

March 22nd: 9:00 Madera CC 4man 2bb

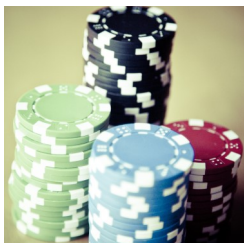
March 29th: 9:00 Madera Muni Cha Cha Cha

Congratulations to Brian Ohde for his hole in one at Eagle Springs!



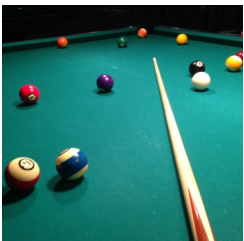
Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on March 10th at 6:00 at the Kabob Land Restaurant located at 1540 E. Nees Ave., Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the March 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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FEBRUARY LUNCHEON PICTURES

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GUEST SPEAKER: Paul Loeffler



Happy
Saint Patrick's
Day



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FEBRUARY LUNCHEON PICTURES

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MIKE PANNELLA



JEFF Mc GRATH

Wine Raffle Winners



MIKE BROOKS



BOB LARGE



ANTHONY NOIA



ED DORN



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Birthday Boy



BirthDay Winner: Michael Panella



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IN MEMORY

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