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LUNCHEON INFORMATION

BIG SIR COMMENTS

MAY2022

The Gateway Chapter 169

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happy mother's day!

MAY LUNCHEON (LADIES DAY)

When: TUESDAY MAY 10, 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: The Uncle Uphes Band

Menu: Beef or Chef Salad

BIG SIR ARTICLE MAY 2022

I have just a couple of things for our May Newsletter. First of all I'm really enjoying the energy at our luncheons. The conversations are so intense I really regret calling you back to our program. Oh well, maybe that 's not a bad thing. Even though we still don't have a Little Sir we are managing to get speakers each month. We are still looking for names if you have someone in mind for us to consider Perry Huffman has asked to come back and do his presentation in June. Since the projector didn't work when he was there in March we thought he should have a second shot. He is a wonderful illustrator and obviously you need to see his work to truly appreciate what he can do. His story's will make a lot more sense with the visual.



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For May I've asked The Uncle Uphes Band to play a return engagement. Here is a link to their website if you'd like to know more about them. As you know we are still searching for a Little Sir. I think this is not only an issue for all the Sirs Branches but it is of particular importance for our branch because that's the only one we can control. 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

Celebration of Life

The family of our former member , Mike Torigian, will be holding a Celebration of Life, for Mike on Saturday, June 4th. 10 am, at his daughters home, 551 E Vassar Ave, Fresno. This is close to Fresno High, Clinton and Palm. All SIR members and friends are invited and welcomed to attend.



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LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

TREASURERS REPORT

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STILL SEARCHING FOR A LITTLE SIR.

APRIL TREASURER REPORT



Treasurers Report Month of: APR 22

Beginning Balance: \$ 2,633.73

Income: \$ 955.00

Expenses: \$ 814.79

Ending Balance: \$ 2,773.94



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SECRETARY REPORT

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date 4/12/2022

CALL TO ORDER: Big SIR, Dan Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 10.02 am

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

INTRODUCTION OF Guests: Big SIR, Dan introduced Nick Lopez, member of our Chapter who has offered to step up and be groomed for the position of Treasurer.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC to approve Minutes of March 8, 2022 meeting, with the statement under Activities: “**1**) Bob Large scored a hole-in-one at our last golf outing at Ridge Creek” corrected to read: “**1**) Bob Large shot his age at our last golf outing at Ridge Creek”,

BIG SIR: 1).Dan expressed the Board’s gratitude to Nick Lopez for agreeing to assume the duties of Treasurer that heretofore have been faithfully and competently managed by Duane Evans. **2).** Todays speaker will be Rodger Tsuruda, who has played a major role in the development of the Shinzen Friendship Garden at Woodward Park, and works as a docent at that site.

LITTLE SIR: Position vacant at present, so Big SIR reported that in addition to todays speaker, the musical program has been set for our meeting May with the ladies; Perry Huffman will be returning in June, to present his efforts as a sketch artist for the Fresno Bee; and Jackie will be organizing the program for July which will have a patriotic theme.

SECRETARY: Jim Forden reported that he had filed the Jan/Feb/March Form 27 with the State SIR and that this week, he will be sending out an updated Chapter Roster to the members of the Board.

TREASURER: MSC to approve Treasury Report, submitted by Nick Lopez, as Treasurer Elect. Current Cash Balance is \$2,733.73.

ACTIVITIES: 1). Ed Dorn observed that the Minutes of our March Board Meeting to be corrected. Bob Large did not shoot a hole-in-one as was stated in the draft minutes, Bob shot his age. 2) Couples Dine Out will be dining on Thursday evening at the Ten Tavern in Clovis. 3); 47 members signed up for todays luncheon.

SUNSHINE: Bernie repeated his request that he be notified whenever anyone on the Board becomes aware of members who have special needs or medical issues. It has been reported that Bob McAllister was recently hospitalized, but is now recovering at home. Robert (Andy) Anderson is currently receiving Hospice Care at his home.



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SECRETARY REPORT, CONTINUED

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OLD BUSINESS: 1). Ted Fox requested that new applicants for membership in our Chapter be required to provide email addresses that are valid and clearly readable. In many cases these addresses provide our primary means of contact with the men and are essential for the distribution of the Newsletter. Jim Forden additionally requested that the new members provide a self photo for inclusion in the Roster of our Chapter. :: "For all new members of our SIR 169, after you have been inducted please forward to me a photo of yourself for our Directory. If necessary, I can crop a head-shot pic out of a group photo. My email address is jimfo@mailfresnostate.edu. Thank you!"

2). Discussion was initiated regarding our requirements for non-members being eligible to participate in Chapter activities. It was reported that when the issue was referred to the State SIR, we were informed that such determinations are to be determined at the Chapter level. It appears to be the consensus of our Board that persons who desire to participate on an on-going basis in the activities of our Chapter, should seek membership in the Chapter.

NEW BUSINESS: 1). Big SIR, Dan. Reminded that action needs to be taken to officially induct Nick Lopez, as Treasurer of our Chapter. 2). Laura Robinson, representing the Fresno/Madera Agency for the Aging tentatively is available to be our luncheon speaker for August. 3)

ADJOURNMENT: 11:03 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary



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IMPORTANT APRIL EVENTS

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May (Mom's favorites) Birthdays



JIM CRANE

RON ELDER

JAMES FORDEN

VIRGIE HAMBURGER

RALPH HANDLY

DANIEL KAISER

RICHARD LARA

BOB LARGE

JOHN NOLL

DUANE OBERQUELL

JIM PETERSON

MICHAEL SPEN-

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

*TOM AND EKKEN
CONNORS*

*ED AND JEAN
DORN*

*CHARLES AND CE-
LIA FECCIA*

*GREG AND CLAUDIA
GEIS*



Happy Mothers Day

*JAMES AND CHERYL
HINEY*

*KEN AND MARYANNE
LAI*

*ANTHONY AND SU-
ZANNE NOIA*



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ACTIVITIES

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Golf:

Congratulations to Scott Barcus who shot his age at Ridge Creek Golf course!

Complete results and the current schedule can be found on the golf web page:

<https://sirgcarearea29br169.memberplanet.com>

May Schedule:

Brian Ohde is the host

May 3rd : 8:00 Dragon Fly 4man2bb

May 18th: 9:00 Sherwood Lone Ranger

May 24th: 9:00 Valley Oaks Shambles

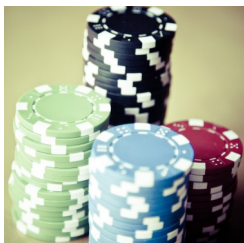
May 31st: 9:00 Lemoore Flighted

Thank You to Jim Peterson for hosting in April.



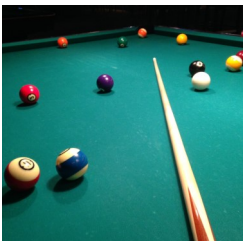
Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on May 12th at 6:00 at the Sakanaya Japanese Restaurant located at 9447 N. Fort Washington Rd, Suite #116, Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the May 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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STAEWIDE INITIATIVES

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Dear BEC members:

This being “The Year of the Branch,” State SIR is dedicated to helping you reopen all Branch activities and increase your membership. Membership is of particular concern given that many Branches have been losing members over the last decade and find it difficult to recruit Branch leaders.

Facebook promises to be a tremendous resource for us. Facebook reaches potential SIR members effectively - of those 50-64 years old, 73 percent use Facebook; of those 65 and over, 50 percent use Facebook.

Facebook will also help your Branch communicate with your membership. In addition, Facebook offers benefits to the members themselves. Members can get news, find other local events, support additional organizations, and keep up with friends around the world. And Facebook allows us all to be more involved in our children’s and grandchildren’s lives wherever they live.

Facebook is easy to learn and easy to use!

Your State SIR offers resources to help you activate a Branch Facebook page and educate your membership on using Facebook. **A step-by-step tutorial is available on the SIR website** (<https://sirinc.org/wp-content/uploads/Creating-a-SIR-Facebook-Business-Page-3-25-22.pdf>). It also lists a YouTube video that you can watch (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trBA7xGgzjk>).

Additional help for you and your branch is offered by State SIR in the form of a Facebook workgroup that will meet monthly; you and your members can learn more about using Facebook. There you can ask questions and get immediate answers.

NOW is the time to identify your members who want to use Facebook and join your Branch Facebook team. **Ask them to attend the Zoom session on Friday, May 13th from 1:00-2:30 p.m.!** This first meeting will focus on starting a Facebook page for the Branch or Area



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The Zoom link is:

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87458843482?
pwd=aXgwc1dXOGhCOS85YkkvcmluWmhNQQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87458843482?pwd=aXgwc1dXOGhCOS85YkkvcmluWmhNQQT09)**

If required, use Meeting ID: 874 5884 3482 and Passcode: 549880.

You can also join the meeting by phone, call 669-900-6833

If you need other assistance regarding Facebook, please contact State Growth and Membership Chair Tony de Losada at tonydelosada@gmail.com or (510) 566-2661 for more information.

With kind regards,

Rick Kindle, SIR President



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Guest Speaker: Roger Tsuruda





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50/50 Winners



BOB KISHI



ED DORN

Wine Raffle Winners



LEONARD LOVATO



RAY MONTAG



CHUCK FECCIA



LARRY ROWE



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BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS

Mick Carrera, Chick Threfell, Bob Kishi



Bob Large being congratulated for shooting a round of golf lower than his age.