



We should have someone from Cal Fire speak at our luncheon on October 11th. I just don't have a name yet. They are very involved with the Big Fresno Fair and they are still looking for someone to do our Luncheon. We also need to let our membership know that we are still looking for Little Sir and Big Sir for 2023. I will not be serving in either capacity but at this point I plan to stay involved with the Executive Board as past Big Sir. If they have suggestions or thoughts about who to approach they can certainly get in touch with someone on the board..

Dan Lindstrom, Big Sir







SECRETARY REPORT

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SIR <u>CHAPTER</u> 169 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date 9/13/2022

CALL TO ORDER: Big SIR, Dan Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 10.00 am

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

INTRODUCTION OF Guests: No guests

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC to approve Minutes of 8/19/2022 meeting.

BIG SIR: Dan reported that he is still exploring possible sites for our luncheons during the Pardinis renovation. No response yet from the Picadilly Inn. Belmont CC is a possibility and probably will be priced comparable to the Picadilly.

LITTLE SIR: Position vacant at present.

SECRETARY: Jim reported: **1.** An update set of Membership files has been distributed to the members of our Board. **2.** We have received a bag of pins from the State Sir. Jim Hiney stated that he had order some membership pins only and had been waiting for their delivery. He was given these pins for future distribution.

TREASURER: Nick Lopez distributed the Treasurer's Report that states that shows an month end balance of \$2,802. Treasury Report MSC.

MEMBERSHIP: 1). Jim Hiney reported that he is retaining the membership application from Manny Corales and he will be inducted if attending the luncheon today.

ACTIVITIES: 1. Ed further reported that a Poker Group had been formed as an additional Chapter activity. The games will be held at a different participants home each session with the host providing the refreshments. **2.** The Dining Out group will be going to the Santa Fe Basque restaurant this week.

SUNSHINE: Bernie shared both Jim Seay and Newell Dodd are receiving support for medical issues and ask that the Board members keep them in their thoughts and prayers





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OLD BUSINESS: 1. Per Jim Hiney, todays speaker will be the CEO of the Big Fresno Fair **.2**. Brief discussion regarding an ongoing problem of members not showing up for a luncheon after telling the callers that they will be at the luncheon. This causes the Chapter to have to pay for meals that are not eaten. Unless one or more of the members who are in attendance offers to "buy" the unserved meals the cost must be absorbed by the Chapter. Consensus that the members need to be reminded to let their Callers know if they find our that they will not be able to attend.

NEW BUSINESS: Ed Dorn reported he has received an updated statement of Statewide SIR protocols re COVID and suggested that the Board take action to formally approve, adopt and publicize these among our membership, Following discussion, the Big Sir stated that he would take action to share the information with our membership

ADJOURMENT: 11:05 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary

BEC Minutes subject to final corrections, changes and approval at the next BEC meeting to be held prior to the next Luncheon:





BRANCH INFORMATION

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SIR 169 Executive Board and Committee Chairman

Daniel

OPEN Jim

Nick

Duane



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Luis

Big SIR

Little SIR Secretary

Assist Sect Treasurer

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Callers



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 David Williams 275-9378

Our branch website: sir169.org The state organization's website: sirinc.org





IMPORTANT OCT EVENTS

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

GREGORY MERRILL

RODGER STEWART

DAVID WILLIAMS

ALFRED MOLLO

KEN SEMRICK

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OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

MICK AND SUNNY CARERRA

TONY AND MARY ANN ANELLO

FRANK AND RITA GONZALES





ACTIVITIES

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Golf:

Complete results and the current schedule can be found on the golf web page: https://sirgcarea29br169.memberplanet.com

October Schedule: Richard Lara is the host for October October 4th 9:00 Airways Cha Cha Cha October 13th 9:00 Belmont CC Scrambles October 18th 10:00 Rivercreek-Oakhurst 4man 2bb October 25th 9:00 Dragon Fly Shambles

Thank You to Duane Oberquell for hosting in September.



Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on October 13th at 6:00 at Papi's Mexican Grill located at 1560 E. Champlain Ave., Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the October 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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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 (<u>https://sirinc.org/wp-content/uploads/Creating-a-SIR-Facebook-Business-Page-3-25-22.pdf</u>). It also lists a YouTube video that you can watch (<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trBA7xGgzjk</u>).

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



STATEWIDE INITIATIVES

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The Zoom link is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87458843482? pwd=aXgwc1dXOGhCOS85YkkvcmluWmhNQT09

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 <u>tonydelosada@gmail.com</u> or (510) 566-2661 for more information.

With kind regards,

Rick Kindle, SIR President



SIR SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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LAURIE L KING **CEO- BIG FRESNO FAIR**



ERNIE SOPP-FEATHER IN CAP

HOLE IN ONE AWARD





SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON PICTURES

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Wine Raffle Winners



JIM HINEY



GEORGE FINNEY

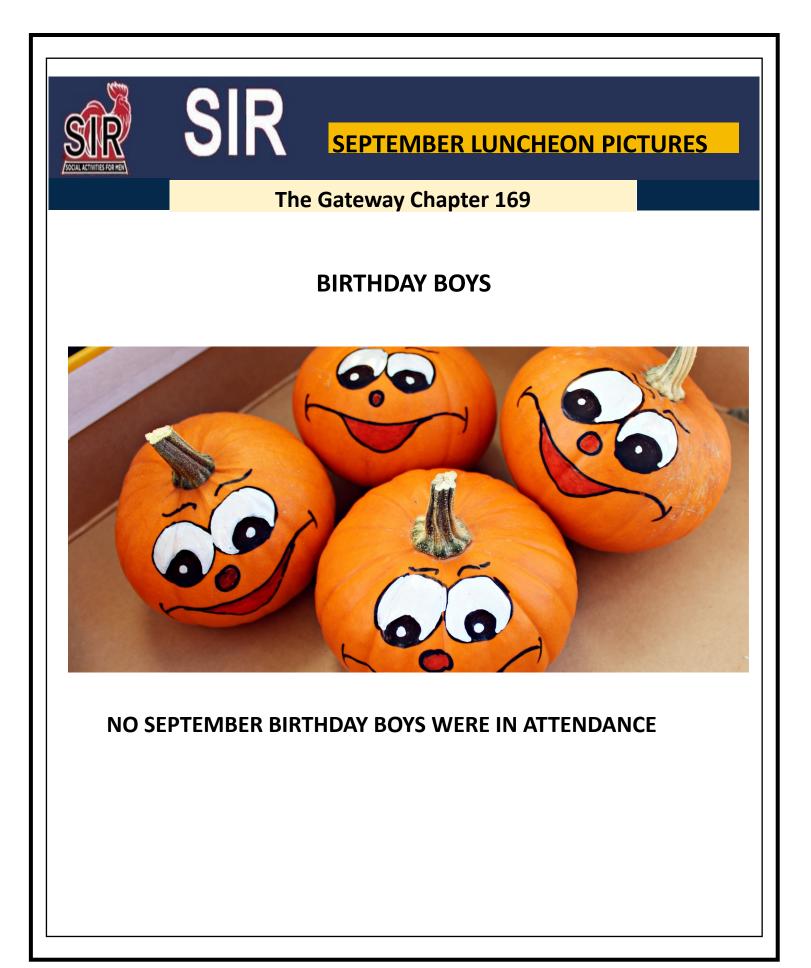




ED DORN

DAVE DINSDALE

Leonard Lovato



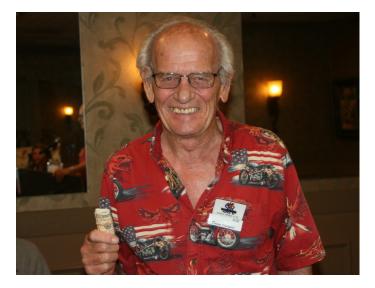




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50/50 WINNERS



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JIM PETERSON

