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NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

- WHEN:** Tuesday, November 8, 2022
- WHERE:** Pardini's Catering, 2275 W Shaw Ave
- TIME:** BEC Meeting 1000, Social Hour 1100-1200, Lunch 1200
- COST:** Members/Guests: \$20.00
- SPEAKER:** John Cotter, LTC USAF(ret.) and current Head of Security for the IRS in Fresno
- MENU:** Traditional Turkey Dinner or Chef Salad

BIG SIR ARTICLE November 2022

. Thanks to Bernie our speaker for November will be John Cotter, LTC USAF (ret.) and current Head of Security for the IRS in Fresno. John talked our group several years ago and with all the changes to his employment positions in the last few years, Bernie is very sure that the group will find his talk most interesting. John was in the Pentagon on 9-11-2001 and became one of the nations foremost Terrorism experts. His military and civilian background gives him a real interesting background for his presentation. We are set up for December and it looks good that our luncheons will continue next February, March, and April when Pardini's is closed for renovation. I will provide an update on this location once we've signed a contract.

Dan Lindstrom, Big SIR

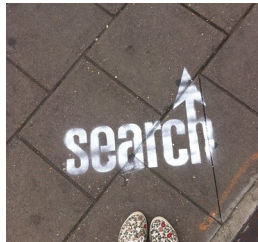


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Anyone interested in becoming the Little SIR for 2023 please contact Jim Hiney.

If we did have a Little Sir he would remind us of a few things in November:

1. Fresno Veterans Day Parade:

CENTRAL VALLEY VETERANS DAY PARADE

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Parade

JOIN US IN DOWNTOWN FRESNO TO HONOR OUR VETERANS

NOVEMBER 11, 2022

PRE-CEREMONY **9:30AM**
OPENING CEREMONY **10:45AM**
KICK-OFF **11:11AM**

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2. Medicare Open Enrollment:

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT | OCT. 15-DEC. 7



**Get ready.
It's almost
time for Open
Enrollment.**



Remember: Our guest speaker in August: Jennifer Webb from the County HICAP Program offered and provided information concerning Medicare, so anyone with questions can all HICAP @ 800-434-0222 for further assistance.



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TREASURES REPORT

October 2022

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING**

BALANCE FORWARD :	\$ 3,024.67
INCOME;	\$ 988.00
EXPENSES:	\$ 974.04
ENDING BALANCE:	\$ 3,038.63



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**SIR CHAPTER 169
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: October 11, 2022**

Big SIR, Dan Linstrom called the meeting to order at 10:03 am

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

Big SIR: Dan reported that he is continuing to work with Yosemite Falls Restaurant to arrange a location for our luncheon meetings in January to April of 2023.

Little SIR: Position currently vacant.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC With correction to change new member applicant's last name from "Corales" to "Perales".

PROGRAM OR SPEAKER TODAY: Today's speaker will be Battalion Chief Spencer of Cal Fire.

TODAYS LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE: Bernie reported that a total of 45 men will be attending the luncheon **today**.

SECRETARY: For review and discussion, Jim Forden distributed a draft of Form 27 for the months of July through September of this year. Errors noted and corrected for submission to the State SIR.

TREASURER : MSC with current Treasury balance reported to be \$3,024.07.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Hiney reported that we have no new applications at this time.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Bernie reported that there are no new reports of issues or concerns.



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OLD BUSINESS: 1).Message received from State SIR that the quarterly assessments will be increased by an additional \$.25/member at the start of 2023. The additional increase was necessitated by the need to offset a reduction in assessment revenues attributed to a drop in SIR membership Statewide. 2) Ed Dorn and, as Treasurer, Nick Lopez reminded that we need to take action now to notify our members that starting in January 2023, the Branch will be collecting \$20 per member as Dues, while continuing to collect the \$20 as the price for each lunch. 3) Ted Fox questioned whether we had heard anything further from either Branch 175 or 179 re their interest in merging with our Chapter. Matter still being discussed with nothing definitive to report. 4) With the new year approaching discussion continued regarding our lack of candidates for Big SIR and Little SIR. Relative to the recruitment of a candidate for Little SIR, it was proposed that we approach prospects with the idea that the individual members of the Board and the Board as a whole will do a major share of the work in finding and securing the speakers for our luncheons. This would significantly reduce what is deemed to be the most difficult part of Little SIRs job and make it easier to recruit a candidate (s). It was also concluded that going forward, there is a need to encourage more members to sit in on the Board meetings and provide some fresh ideas and perspective.

NEW BUSINESS: No additional items to address at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 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:



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IMPORTANT NOV. EVENTS



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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

ED DORN

TED FOX

KEN LAI

DEAN PHILPOT

ERNIE SOPP

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

MIKE AND CATHY BARABE

FRED AND LINDA BATES

ALFORD AND CONNIE MELLO



*Happy
Thanksgiving!*





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Golf:

NCGA Dues: Your NCGA dues are now due. If you are renewing, the cost is \$45 payable to Sirs Golf 169. You can bring a check to the luncheon or mail it to Ed Dorn at 10418 N. Sinclair Cr., Fresno, Ca. 93730

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

<https://sirgcare29br169.memberplanet.com>

November Schedule:

Nick Lopez is the host for November

November 3rd 9:00 Belmont CC 4man 2bb

November 15th 9:00 Madera Muni Flighted

November 23rd 9:00 Sherwood Scrambles

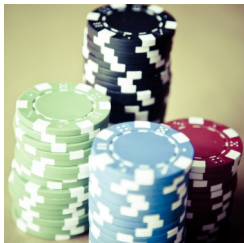
November 29th 9:00 Pheasant Run 4man 2bb

Thank You to Richard Lara for hosting in October



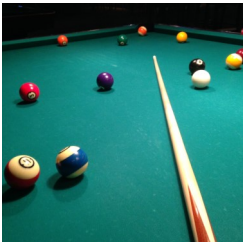
Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on November 10th at 6:00 at Nami Kaze Restaurant located at 1134 E. Champlain Dr., Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the November 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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Major Revision to the statewide COVID Protocols: (The full text can be found on the statewide website at SIRINC.org)

Here is the action taken by your State Sir Board:

1. Delete the SIR State COVID Protocol as currently written.
2. Add the following:
 - A. Branch shall require all attendee participating in SIR activities to comply with all federal, state, and county public health mandates.
 - B. Branch leaders are expected to ensure all SIR members and guests participating in meetings or activities comply with all Branch and Venue requirements.
 - C. Branches may choose to preserve additional measures, such as proof of vaccination or written waivers, as approved by their membership.

Branch 169 will not be requiring masking, verification of COVID Vaccination, or requirement for written waivers of members unless those requirements are further deemed necessary by appropriate mandates. We will also work with our providers to insure we are meeting their requirements. Any changes will be announced at meetings, in our newsletter and through direct caller information.



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GUEST SPEAKERS



JOHN DOMINQUEZ

CAL-FIRE BATTALION CHIEF



SETH BROWN

CAL-FIRE BATTALION CHIEF



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Wine Raffle Winners



DAVE DINSDALE



LUIS RODRIQUEZ

TOM GOOD



JERRY MCDONALD

Leonard Lovato



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BIRTHDAY BOY



ROGER STEWART



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50/50 WINNERS



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LUNCHEON GALLERY

