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LUNCHEON INFORMATION

AUG 2024

The Gateway Chapter 169

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AUGUST Luncheon Information

WHEN; TUESDAY AUG 13, 2024

WHERE: Pardinis Catering

TIME: 1100 Social Hour, 1200 Lunch

COST: Lunch \$25. Annual Dues \$25 (if required)

**No Charge to members celebrating their
Birthday in August. (Must attend to receive benefit)**

SPEAKER: TBA

**MENU: Beef, Chicken or Chef Salad, If you have
other Dietary requirement, please let your caller
know so that arrangements can be made.**

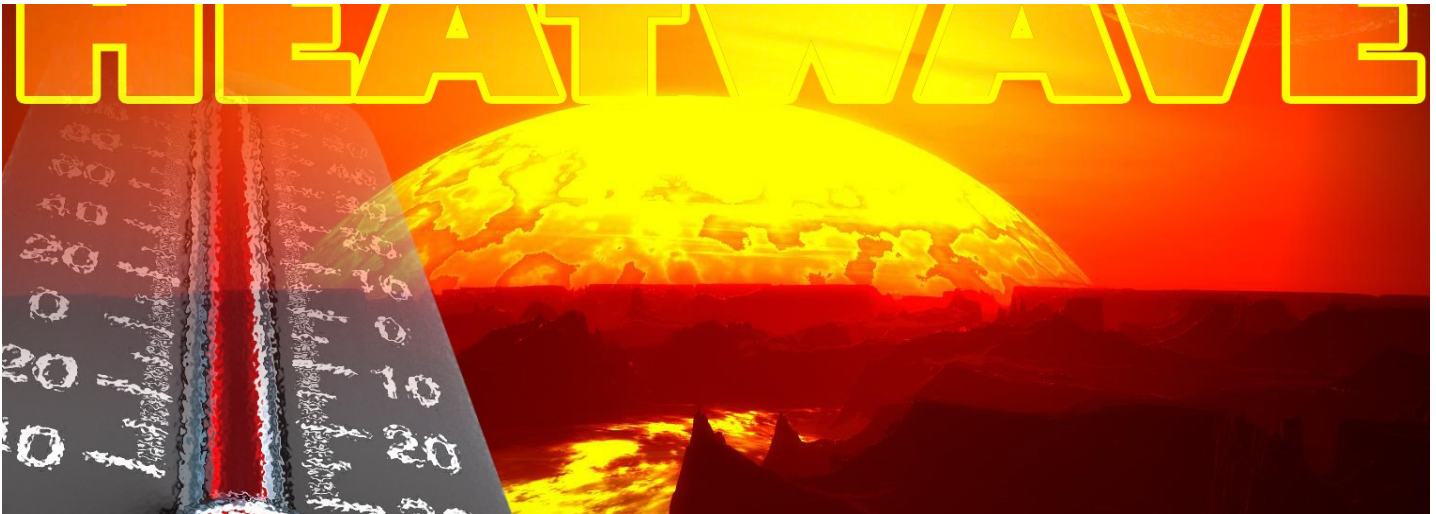


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BIG SIR COMMENTS

LITTLE SIR COMMENTS

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Big SIR has been out of the country and just returned, will resume his monthly report in September.

I want to start by offering my greatest thanks to our speakers at last month's lunch meeting, Scott and Linda Phillips. Their presentations on their air force careers and their activities following them were exceptionally well received. The large numbers of people who took advantage of their generous offer of time after the meeting to answer questions speaks to the interest their program generated. I also want to offer a special thank you to Luis Rodriguez for arranging for their being with us.

I hope to see all of you at our next meeting on August 14.

John Eleazarian

Little Sir



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TREASURERS REPORT

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JULY 2024 TREASURERS REPORT



Beginning CB Balance: \$ 9,915.32

Income: \$ 2,046.00

Expenses: \$ 2,442.82

Ending CB Balance: \$ 9,518.50

Petty Cash: \$ 100.00

Ending Total Bal: \$ 9,618.50



Treasurer report is subject to corrections and approval at August Board Meeting



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SECRETARY REPORT

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SIR 169 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: July 9, 2024

Big SIR called the meeting to order at 10:05 am

ATTENDING: Ed Dorn; Manny Contino; John Eleazarian, Duane Evans, Jim Forden, Ted Fox; Bob Large; Nick Lopez; Bernie Hollenbeck; Luis Rodriguez; Roger Stewart; Roy Grijalva

Guest(s): None today

BIG SIR/LITTLE SIR REPORT: 1) Representing Big SIR Ernie who was not present today, Little SIR John Eleazarian provided a summary report of the recent SIR statewide Zoom meeting. Those who attended the session provided the following observations: a) The purpose of the session was to inform, rather than seek input re intended changes in the image and future approach of SIR as an organization. First the moderator of the session explained that as a viable organization and to gain membership, the title, logo and officer titles of the leadership needed to be changed to present a less unique nature. It is argued that in doing so, SIR would become attractive to a broader segment of the population. Discussion ensued, with consensus that as opposed to changing the image of SIR, the current membership needs to be more active in the recruitment of new members. To the present, our most successful recruitment of new members has been the result of referrals from our existing membership. This would suggest that going forward, our efforts should be to focused on better meeting the needs of our existing members, so that they in turn will be motivated to encourage friends, family and other acquaintances to join. Quality programs, activities, and expanded opportunities for social interaction should be our commitment. 2) As a lead into the Zoom session, it was proposed by the State leadership that to improve the financial health of the organization, SIR should change its Corporate status to allow the organization to actively solicit funding from external sponsors. This idea was briefly discussed during our Board meeting with no action taken either to support or question this proposal.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC to approve with the following changes: Delete: "Both Linda and Scott have been with the Central Valley Honor Flight doing all the organizing of the flights. Scott and Linda are the ones also significantly involved with the development of Castle Air Museum". Add: "Valerie Saucedo, who provided the program for our last meeting so entertainingly, has offered to return and perform for us at the next Valentines Day to which we will be inviting our ladies."

SECRETARY REPORT: Jim Forden reported: 1) Currently, we have 157 inducted and Active Members. 2) There are just 4 members who have reported that they do not have email addresses. Discussion followed regarding the accuracy of the email information and telephone numbers that we have on file in each of the membership lists maintained for correspondence, distribution of the Newsletter, and use by the luncheon callers. Jim will send a copy of the membership database files to all of the Board members following today's meeting, as a step toward addressing this issue.



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SECRETARY REPORT (cont)

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TREASURE'S REPORT: Nick Lopez distributed our Treasury Statement for June 2024 which reported that with Luncheon Revenues, Dues collected and 50/50 proceeds there was a total of \$2,005.00 of Income for the month of June. Expenses for the period totaled \$2,378.28, leaving a Check book Balance (including Petty Cash) of \$10,015.32 MSC to accept the Report as submitted.

ACTIVITIES: Ed Dorn reported that: 1) The Statewide and Region 19 Golf Committees have become more active, and the information regarding these events will be forwarded to our members. Anyone who would like to participate in these events should contact the organizers named in the information. Ed he will not be playing a role in the staging of the events. 2). The Couples Dine Out has now reached a milestone. Over its existence, they enjoyed the menus of 100 different restaurants! In July, the Couples Dine Out group will be going to The Bear Club in Reedley; SIR Diners will be meeting at the Piazza del Pane; and Date Night will be dining at the Windham Senior Center..

MEMBERSHIP: Filling in for Jim Hiney, who is away vacationing, Ed Dorn reported that we have received a membership application from Michael Cirrincione. Following Ed's brief bio on the applicant, the Board MSC to induct.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Bernie Hollenbeck reported that: 1) He had called in a total of 86 for today's luncheon. 2) He then requested that we keep in our thoughts and prayers: Dennis Soliday, Dave Diaz and John Nolls who are being stressed by medical issues.

NEW BUSINESS: No additional and continuing issues to address at this time.).

OLD BUSINESS: None to address

Adjourned at 10:57 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary,

Minutes of the Board meeting are not finalized until approved at the following Board Meeting. Corrections and Changes to the newsletter should be forwarded to Jim Forden prior to the Aug meeting.



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BRANCH INFORMATION

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SIR 169 Executive Board and Committee Chairman

SIR 169 Executive Board

Big SIR Ernie Sopp	Little SIR John Eleazarian	Secretary Jim Forden	Asst. Secty Luis Rodriguez	Treasurer Nick Lopez	Asst. Treas Duane Evans	Activities Chairman Ed Dorn	Newsletter Editor Ted Fox
Bernie Hollenbeck	Frank Bavaro Director	Jim Hiney Director	Manny Centine Director	Bob Large Director	Roger Stewart Director	Roy Grijalva Director	
Sunshine Chairman		Big SIR 2023					

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,
 Bernie Hollenbeck 291-7625, Brian Ohde 255-5249, Tom Wider 760-2669
 Ken Meyers 297-0567, Bill Prince 940-0779, Don Beauregard 431-4866,
 Gerald Stoltenberg 289-9287, Rob Saulsbury 285-7985, Les Saywell 434-4580,
 Keith Herzog 439-0986, Thomas Schab 960-9377

Branch Website: SIR169.org

State Website: SIRINC.org



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IMPORTANT AUGUST EVENTS

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BIRTHDAYS

STANLEY BUSCH

ROBERT GACIA

JAMES HINEY

BERNIE HOLLENBECK

MARIO JAIMES

JERRY LONG

PATRICK O'SULLIVAN

MANNY PERALES

GARY PITTS

NICK SMIRNOFF

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

MANNY AND MAXINE CONTINO

JACKIE AND DIANE LOVATO

PAUL AND SUSAN DEHN

GREGORY AND BETTY MERRILL

BILL AND CONNIE PRINCE

DAVID AND TRACIE GOODWIN

ERICK AND BEVERLY MILLER

NICK AND GAYLE SMIRNOFF

KEITH AND HELEN HERZOG

DANIEL AND BARBARA LINDSTROM

LESTER AND PAT SAYWELL

DANIEL AND JESSICA KAISER

MICHAEL AND MARY PANELLA



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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>

August Schedule:

Nick Lopez is the host for August

August 6th Tues 8:00 Airways Lone Ranger

August 15 Thurs 8:00 Belmont Schambles

August 20th Tues 8:00 Madera Muni Cha Cha Cha

August 27th Tues 9:00 Lemoore Flights

Thank You, Joe Russo for hosting in July

Sir State Golf

The State Sir Golf committee has events in August, September and October.

For Additional information go to: <https://www.golf.sirinc2.org>



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Couples Nite Out

The next Couple's Nite Out dinner will be on August 15th at 6:00 at the Phoenician Garden Restaurant located at 1025 E. Herndon Ave., Fresno. Contact Ed Dorn or sign up at the August luncheon.



Sirs Diners: 3rd Wednesday Aug 21st

Westwood's BBQ Restaurant located at 8042 Blackstone Ave., Fresno. Drinks at 5:00, dinner at 6:00. Contact Don Laines to sign up.



Date-Nite: 3rd Wednesday Aug 21st

Our Date Nite dinner will be on Aug 21 @ 4:30 pm at O'vidios Restaurant located at 3097 West Bullard Ave.



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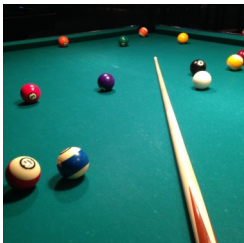
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Poker Groups

1. Formerly Br 169 group. Contact Ed Dorn, Jim Hiney or Ted Fox if you are interested in joining this poker group. We currently play once a month, the Wednesday following the luncheon, rotating houses. Light snacks and beverages supplied by the host. Time: 1 pm to 4 pm . Contact us at the monthly luncheon.
2. Formerly Br 179 group, aka. The SIR George Lane Memorial Poker Group usually plays once a month, on the 4th Wednesday of the month. We rotate houses and the host is responsible for providing a light lunch, snacks and beverages. Time 1200 pm to 300 pm. Let Chairman Richard Ewell know at richarde37@gmail.com if you are interested.



Pool Group(s)

The pool players now meet for **BREAKFAST** at 9:00am on Thursdays at the Windham Retirement Home, followed by a few brisk rounds of pool at the same location. All members are welcome, skilled or novice. For more details, call Chairman Richard Ewell at 432-7601.

A spin-off group has now established 8:00 am Monday mornings at the new Clovis Senior Center as another opportunity to meet and enjoy a couple of hours of friendly pool. Contact Ted Fox or Ed Dorn or Randy Bushore for information.



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PICKLE BALL

Pickle Ball returned, beginning April 15th at Break the Barriers (located at Cedar and Teague Aves) in Fresno. For an introduction to and beginning lessons our Pickle Ball experts Jackie Lovato and Larry Rowe will be offering a program to get you into the Pickle Ball era.

Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 10-12 am at the Break the Barriers indoor courts.

No sign up, just show up, no cost to use the facility.

Jackie Lovato



Larry Rowe



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Final Battle of the Bay Bridge Series

Last Chance to see the Oakland A's hosting SF Giants

SIR Day at the Ball Park August 18, 2024 Oakland Coliseum-Sunday-1pm Mail a \$70 check made out to Lee Moy Include a return addressed and stamped envelope to: Lee Moy, 127 N. Helm Ave., Clovis, CA 93612

Tickets will be mailed to you, so please include the aforementioned envelope plus your contact info: phone number & email address.

Deadline: 8/8/2024 Lee Moy State SIR Sports

NOTE: All SIR Member, spouses, partners, and friends are invited (\$70.00 per ticket). Transportation is NOT included. Some members are taking Amtrack, others are carpooling to Pleasanton, then taking BART direct to the stadium, and others are driving all the way.



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BRANCH YEARLY GOLF SCHEDULE

REVISED AS OF June 1, 2024

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Ed Dorn, Golf Chairman
edorn@att.net 977-0779

SIR 169 Golf 2024 Schedule

Mick Carrera, Pairings
mick_carrera@hotmail.com 291-2073

Date	Time	Course	Format	Chairman/Phone	E-Mail Address
JANUARY					
Jan 2, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4 Man 2bb	Jackie Lovato 307-9032	jl_lovato@yahoo.com
Jan 16, Tues	9:00	Riverside	Flighted	Jackie Lovato	
Jan 23 Tues	10:00	Ridge Creek	Cha Cha Cha	Jackie Lovato	
Jan 30 Tues	10:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Jackie Lovato	
FEBRUARY					
Feb 6, Tues	9:00	Airways	Cha Cha Cha	Dan Lindstrom	dlindstrom.12951@gmail.com
Feb 20 Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	4 Man 2bb	Dan Lindstrom	cancelle due to rain
Feb 27 Tues	8:30	Riverside	Lone Ranger	Dan Lindstrom	6
MARCH					
Mar 5, Tues	9:00	Airways	2 Man bb	Don Laines 908-5441	lainesf@comcast.net
Mar 19 Tues	9:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Don Laines	
Mar 26, Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Don Laines	
APRIL					
April 2, Tues	9:00	Ridge Creek	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson 304-0100	jimmargpeterson@yahoo.com
Apr 16, Tues	8:00	Riverside	Cha Cha Cha	Jim Peterson	
Apr 23, Tues	9:00	Pheasant Run	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson	
April 30, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Jim Peterson	
MAY					
May 7 Tues	8:00	Airways	Lone Ranger	Brian Ohde	ohdefamily@hotmail.com
May 21, Tues	9:00	Valley Oaks	Shambles	Brian Ohde	
May 28 Tues	9:00	Lemoore	2man bb	Brian Ohde	
JUNE					
June 4 Tues	8:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Ken Myers	
June 17, Monday	8:00	Ridge Creek	Lone Ranger	Ken Myers	kmyers654@aol.com
June 25 Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Ken Myers	
JULY					
July 2, Tues	9:00	River Creek-Oakhurst	2man bb	Joe Russo	jrr.12@sbcglobal.net
July 16, Tues	8:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Joe Russo	
July 23, Tues	8:00	Pheasant Run	Straight golf	Joe Russo	
July 30, Tues	8:00	Riverside	4man 2bb	Joe Russo	
AUGUST					
August 6, Tues	8:00	Airways	Lone Ranger	Nick Lopez	nicklopez741@yahoo.com
Aug 15 Thur	8:00	Belmont	Shambles	Nick Lopez	
Aug 20, Tues	8:00	Madera Muni	Cha Cha Cha	Nick Lopez	
Aug 27 Tues	9:00	Lemoore	flighted	Nick Lopez	
SEPTEMBER					
Sept 3, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	4man 2bb	Duane Oberquell	d.oberquell@comcast.net
Sept 17, Tues	8:00	Ridge Creek	Cha Cha Cha	Duane Oberquell	
Sept 19, Thursday	8:00	Belmont	Scrambles	Duane Oberquell	
Sept 24, Tues	8:30	Riverside	4man 2bb	Duane Oberquell	
OCTOBER					
Oct 1, Tues	9:00	Airways	Cha Cha Cha	Richard Lara	rlara0505@comcast.net
Oct 15 Tues	9:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Richard Lara	
Oct 22, Tues	10:00	Rivercreek-Oakhurst	4man 2bb	Richard Lara	
Oct 29 Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	Shambles	Richard Lara	
NOVEMBER					
Nov 5 Tues	9:00	Madera Muni	Flighted	Roy Grijalva	roygrijalva@msn.com
Nov 19, Tues	9:00	Airways	4man 2bb	Roy Grijalva	
Nov 26, Tues	9:00	Pheasant Run	4man 2bb	Roy Grijalva	
DECEMBER					
Dec 3, Tues	8:00	Dragon Fly	Cha Cha Cha	Dave Dinsdale 301-4477	getover50@comcast.net
Dec 17, Tues	9:00	Riverside	Lone Ranger	Dave Dinsdale	
Dec 31, Tues	9:00	Airways	Scrambles	Dave Dinsdale	
Branch Championship Best 3 our of 4 events					
Please check in 30 minutes prior to tee time					
Link to State events: https://www.golf.sirinc2.org/					



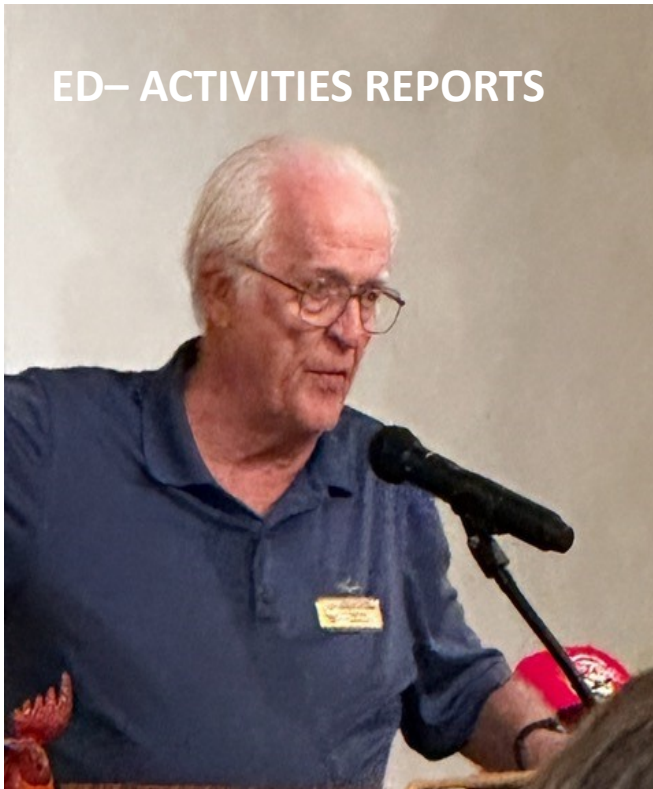
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JULY LUNCHEON PHOTOS

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Little SIR John Elezarian calls the meeting to order



ED- ACTIVITIES REPORTS



JIM- MEMBERSHIP REPORT



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**LUIS RODRIQUES INTRODUCING OUR
GUEST SPEAKERS:**

SCOTT AND LINDA PHILLIPS





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JULY LUNCHEON GUEST SPEAKER

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Female Graduate Fo

By GERRY BURTON
Avalanche-Journal Staff
A father-daughter team made history
Friday at Reese Air Force Base.

d.d." Martin said.
A father-son situation at the s
base is rare itself, but Lt. Martin
her two fellow students bring the t



Linda Phillips one of the first women pilots
in the US Air Force

Pilot Training Graduat

1Lt Karen Klingenberger, 1Lt Cathy Caseman,
Col Ingram (Wing CC), 2Lt Linda Martin &
Capt Stephanie Wells (first Reese AFB Female Instructor)



First KC-135 Flight





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Castle Air Museum

Next Open Cockpit Day
Oct 5, 2024



Scott and Linda are supporters of
the Castle AFB Museum

Retirement Decision



Scott Phillips, Colonel, USAF Retired
Linda Phillips, Lt. Colonel, USAF Retired



Thank You





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WINE WINNERS



JACKIE LOVATO— TOP LEFT

MANNY CONTINO—TOP RIGHT
(Manny's lucky day)

MIKE BARABE— BOTTOM LEFT



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50/50 WINNERS



JEFFERY MEYER

JERRY LONG



MANNY CONTINO

