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LUNCHEON INFORMATION

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JANUARY 2025

Happy New Year

JANUARY LUNCHEON

- WHEN;** TUESDAY, January 14, 2025
- WHERE:** Pardinis Catering
- TIME:** 1000 BEC Mtg, 1100 Social Hour, 1200 Lunch
- COST:** Lunch \$25. No Charge to members celebrating their Birthday in January (Must attend to receive benefit).
Branch Dues: \$20.00 are due in January.
- GUEST SPEAKER:** Craig Cooper, Former General Mgr, Sequoia Safety Council, Former Lieutenant, California Dept of Fish and Game
- MENU:** TBA, Callers will have the information. And if you have other Dietary requirement, please let your caller know so that arrangements can be made.



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BIG SIR COMMENTS

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BIG SIR REPORT

In this, my first Big Sir report in Branch 169, I first want to thank Ernie Sopp for his excellent work as Big Sir in 2024. He and Luis Rodriguez made my job very easy. I look forward to working with Manny Contino as Little Sir this year. All of the BEC members do an excellent, but in some cases exhausting job. I hope those who enjoy it continues, and that others will stand up and take over from those who wish to retire from their extra duties in retirement.

Our last meeting included the excellent performance from the Bullard Talent Choir, who bless and amaze us annually. We also had an excellent attendance. I hope we can equal or better that in February when we have our next ladies' day event.

While talking before the meeting, I discovered that at least two other of our SIRs enjoy model railroading. That made me wonder how many others might be interested in this, and how many other activities might interest enough of us to merit consideration as a SIRs group.

In closing, I want to wish all of you a joyous new year, and look forward to working with you in 2025.

John Eleazarian
Big Sir



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TREASURERS REPORT

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nOVEMBER TRES DUTRES REPORT

Beginning Balance	\$ 8,757.62
Income	\$ 3,770.00
Expenses	\$ 3,962.56
Ending Checkbook Bal	\$ 8,565.06
Petty Cash	\$ 100.00
Total Balance	\$ 8,665.06

**Treasures report subject to final approval at
the following months BEC Meeting.**



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SECRETARY REPORT

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SIR 169 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: December 10, 2024

Big SIR called the meeting to order at 10:30 am

ATTENDING: Frank Bavaro; Manny Contino; Ed Dorn; John Eleazarian; Jim Forden, Ted Fox; Roy Grijalva; Jim Hiney, Bernie Hollenbeck; Bob Large; Nick Lopez; Luis Rodriguez; Ernie Sopp; Roger Stewart

Guest(s): None today

BIG SIR REPORT: Ernie Sopp: 1) Starting 1st QTR 2025, State SIR State will be increasing the per member assessment by \$0.25/QTR calculated out to result in an increase of approx \$140.00 for our chapter. 2) Advisory Council will begin meeting (per Roger Stewart) next week. when the guests will be in attendance as well. 3) Ernie confirmed with Ed Dorn that he will officiate at the induction ceremony today.

LITTLE SIR REPORT: John Eleazarian confirmed that Bullard Talent will again perform at our Christmas luncheon today and the speaker for our next meeting will be Craig Cooper, who is a State Trooper and member of the ?????

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MSC to approve, with the correction that the month end balance for November was \$8,757.62.

SECRETARY REPORT: Nothing additional to report.



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TREASURE'S REPORT: Nick Lopez: 1) Distributed our November 2024 Treasury Statement, which reported luncheon receipts of \$1,938 and \$86.00 in 50/50 receipts. Expenses for the period totaled \$2,069.11, leaving a checkbook balance of \$8757.62 and an additional \$100.00 of Petty Cash. 2) The dues for 2025 will remain at \$20/member and the luncheon cost at \$25/plate.

ACTIVITIES: Ed Dorn: 1) Regarding the dining out groups: Couples Dine Out will be going to the PK Changs Restaurant this Thursday; Tomorrow Date Night will be going to Don Raines home for a Christmas dinner; and SIR Diners will not meeting this month. 2) Ed again encouraged members to take advantage of the great facilities at the Clovis Senior Center, where he and others come together each week to play pool.

MEMBERSHIP: Jim Hiney reported that he has an applications for membership from Rick Garcia and Jerry Long, who was approved for induction and that, if in attendance today, will be inducted.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Bernie Hollenbeck reported that: 1) He had called in a total of 160 attending today's luncheon. 2) Sadly, he then reported that a long time member and Big SIR of our chapter, James Estep has passed away. He was an active leader in our club and well decorated member of the Air Force and National Guard.

NEW BUSINESS: [Nothing additional to discuss.](#)

OLD BUSINESS: None to discuss.

Adjourned at 10:31 am

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Jim Forden, Secretary,



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BRANCH INFORMATION

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SIR 169 Executive Board and Committee Chairman

Big SIR	John Eleazarian	(559) 260-2127
Little Sir	Manny Contino	(559) 322-8608
Secretary	Jim Forden	(559) 246-3299
Asst. Secretary	Luis Rodriguez	(559) 226-8694
Treasurer	Nick Lopez	(661) 972-0973
Asst Treasurer	Duane Evans	(559) 244-1506
Director	Frank Bavarro	(559) 970-5097
Director	Ernie Sopp	(559) 986-5271
Director	Roiy Grijalva	(559) 495-9672
Director	Bob Large	(559) 289-6507
Director	Roger Stewart	(559) 250-2474

Committee Chairs/Contacts

Membership	Jim Hiney	(559) 433-0306
Attendance	Bernie Hollenbeck	(559) 291-7625
Newsletter Editor	Ted Fox	(559) 298-3179
Photographer	David Wear	(559) 240-5699
Chaplain	Open	(559) 439-2808
Activities	Ed Dorn	(559) 433-0670
Bowling	Open	
Dining		
Couples Nite Out	Ed Dorn	(559) 433-0670
Date Night	Don Laines	(559) 908-5441
Sirs Diners	Manny Contino	(559) 322-8608



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Golf	Ed Dorn	(559) 433-0670
Golf Handicap	Mick Carrera	(559) 291-2073
Golf Committee:	Ed Dorn	
	Mick Carrera	
PickleBall	Larry Rowe	(559) 623-8670
Greeter & Raf- fle	Lee Hamburger	(559) 347-4575
Sunshine	Bernie Hollenbeck	(559) 291-7625
Librarian	Open	
Chaplain	Open	
Website Editor	Jim Forden	(559) 246-3299

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Branch Website: SIR169.org

State Website: SIRINC.org



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I have frequently been told that members have not been contacted about the upcoming meeting and the menu choices, I have therefore tried my best to assemble a list featuring the current callers (highlighted) and the members they have been assigned to call, (subject to change). Currently we have 139 active members. So if you are not receiving a monthly call, text, email etc. from your caller. Call him. This is very important as Bernie needs an accurate count for the luncheon attendees. Caller phone numbers are on the preceding page.

Donald	Beauregard	Howard	Jones	Anthony	Noia	Robert	Saulsbury	Bernard	Hollenbeck	
Mark	Alkema	Ed	Dorn	Don	Laines	Michael	Panella	Robert	Hollenbeck	
Robert	Amato	Dennis	Eckenrod	Richard	Lara	Manny	Perales	John	Tracy	
Stephen	Arceneau	Ron	Elder	Thomas	Lean	Herb	Peterson	Ronald	Uragami	
Amos	Bagdasarian	John	Eleazarian	Daniel	Lindstrom	Dean	Philpot	David	Warren	
Mike	Barabe	Walter	Emst	Gerald "Jerry Long		George	Pisching	David	Wear	
Frank	Bavaro	Duane	Evans	Nick	Lopez	Les	Saywell	Woodie	Wilk	
Kenneth	Beal	Richard	Ewell	Brian	Ohde	Cliff	Raley	Larry	Zander	
Theodore	Fox	Bob	Large	Ron	Lott	Ernest	Reyes	Dale	Zanovich	
Sam	Begin	George	Finney	Jack	Lovato	Luis	Rodriquez	Howard	Togo	
Gary	Bengel	James	Forden	Leonard	Lovato	Larry	Rowe	Joe	Salazar	???
Henry	Beruman	Steve	Fortner	Michael	Luckin	Joe	Russo			
Robert	Boehringer	Jose	Garcia	Jerry	MacDonald	Bernard	Sankey			
Robert	Boguski	Robert	Garcia	Jim	Martin	Gerald	Stoltenberg			
Daniel	Brown	Marshall	Garth	Ronald	McClaine	Wayne	Schwartz			
Stanley	Busch	Greg	Geis	Jim	Peterson	Grant	Sharp			
Randy	Bushore	Bob	Lung	Robert	McCollister	Ron	Silva			
Keith	Herzog	Bill	George	Bill	McKee	Stanley	Skiba			
Marvin	Carrera	Frank	Gomes	Gregory	Merrill	Nick	Smirnov			
Michael	Carrera	Frank	Gonzales	Jeffrey	Meyer	Ray	Smith			
Mike	Castle	David	Goodwin	Erick	Miller	Dennis	Soliday			
Greg	Chinn	Roy	Grijalva	Arthur	Mock	Thomas	Wider			
Rick	Christl	Vergie	Hamburger	Mert	Mock	Ernie	Sopp			
Kevin	Cleland	Ralph	Handly	Alford	Mollo	Robert	Spain			
Bill	Coit	Robert	Henry	Bill	Prince	Roger	Stewart			
Victor	Collins	Kenneth	Myers	Raymond	Montag	Tom	Thomas			
Dave	Hoffman	Eric	Hermansen	Russell	Mott	Earl (Chick)	Threlfall			
Emmanuel	Contino	James	Hiney	Dan	Nance	Michael	Tolbert			
Michael	Cirinciave	Harry	Johnson	John	Noll					
Jim	Crain	Kevin	Jones	Rod	Noll					
Nicholas	Davis	Ronald	Johnson	Douglas	Nowlin					
Paul	Dehn	Daniel	Kaiser	Patrick	O'Sullivan					
Dave	Dinsdale	Fred	Ketcham							
Joseph	Doherty	Ken	Lai							



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IMPORTANT JANUARY EVENTS

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BIRTHDAYS

SAM BEGLIN

MANNY CONTINO

JOSE GARCIA

FRANK GONZALES

ROBERT HENRY

NICK LOPEZ

BILL PRINCE

MICHAEL TOLBERT

ANNIVERSARIES

FRANK AND LeANNE BAVARO

RON AND MARSHA ELDER

BERNIE AND LORNA HOLLENBECK

BOB AND PAULINE LARGE

NICK AND KAREN LOPEZ

MANNY AND CONNIE PERALES

JIM AND MARGARET PETERSON

CLIFF AND MARI RALEY

RALPH AND BARBARA HANDLEY



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ACTIVITIES

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JANUARY GOLF EVENTS

Golf:

Current schedule can be found on the golf web page:

<https://sirgcare29br169.memberplanet.com>

December Schedule:

Ken Myers is the host for January

Jan 7 Tues	9:00	Dragon Fly	4 Man 2bb	Ken Myers
Jan 21 Tues	10:00	Ridge Creek	Cha Cha Cha	Ken Myers
Jan 28 Tues	10:00	Madera CC	Scrambles	Ken Myers

Thank You, Dave Dinsdale for hosting in December.

Sir State Golf: Schedule: <https://www.sirinc2.org/golf>

If you have not paid your NCGA dues, please do so as soon as possible.