



# The Chanticleer

Date — July 13, 2006

Place — Ramada Inn  
324 East Shaw Avenue

• PROGRAM •

**Fresno State Golf**

Social Hour — 11:00 AM

Luncheon — 12:00 Noon

\$12.00 + Buck Bucket

## ◆ Big Sir ... John Metzger

THE CALENDAR INFORMS ME that on June 21 summer officially began. As I write this our outside thermometer tells me that the temperature is 101.7° so I really don't need the reminder. I hope everyone is staying as cool as possible in this heat. Someone once made the remark that only mad dogs and Englishmen went out in very warm weather, but we had a bunch of brave souls playing golf at Madera today, and I don't think any of them fit either of those two categories.

The four branches in Fresno will have 215 members and their guests attending SIR night at Grizzlies Stadium. The number from each branch is as follows: #159 = 103, #169 = 61, #175 = 29, and #179 = 22, which is a respectable showing since I'm sure not all our members are baseball fans. Oh, yes, since Branch #159 sold the most tickets, your Big Sir will have the honor of throwing out the first pitch. Should be a fun evening with fireworks after the game. Thanks are in order for Area Governor *Marv Arnold* and the branch baseball Chairmen (including especially our *Bruno Ferioli*) for riding herd on this event.



## Branch Election at the August Luncheon

AT OUR AUGUST MEETING, Branch #159 will elect its 2007 leadership. The Nominating Committee under Chairman Bill Cross recommends the following slate for your consideration:

Big Sir	<i>Ron Wilson</i>
Little Sir	<i>Howard Boston</i>
Secretary	<i>Al Black</i>
Assistant	<i>George Gianopulos</i>
Treasurer	<i>Joe Bencivengo</i>
Assistant	<i>Allan Baxter</i>
Board (2007)	<i>Bruno Ferioli</i> <i>Jim Martin</i>
(2008)	<i>Jim Bort</i> <i>Rich Zanarini</i>
(2009)	<i>Ron Eskender</i> <i>Jack Leonard</i>

## ◆ Little Sir ... Ron Wilson

TIME PASSES SO QUICKLY. Only yesterday was our June luncheon and here it is time to think of something interesting and thought-provoking for my column. First, let me thank all the men who would normally have held a private conversation all while the speaker is talking, for *not* doing that when *Steve Cleveland* was at the podium. (I would have been the one he would have "bonked" on the head if the problem had occurred. I ask for the same consideration for the remainder of the year.

Next, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Fourth of July. We are all examples of what is good and the way people *should* behave at such a time. Is that just because we are old? Or is it because of the way we were raised? Or is it because of all the things we have lived through in our collective lifetimes. Mostly, I think it is the way we were raised.

Finally, I invite all of you to come to our July luncheon to hear *Mike Watney*, the Men's Golf Coach at Fresno State.



## Our July Menu

Beef Tri-Tip Roast ... BBQ Chicken  
Roasted New Potatoes  
Fresh Vegetable ... Four Salads  
Rolls & Butter ... Dessert  
Coffee, Tea, Decaf



## Other SIR July Programs

July 11 - Branch 169 - Pardini's  
*Tom Boyajian*

*Fresno City Council*

July 12 - Branch #179 - Ramada  
*Team Representative*  
*Fresno Grizzlies*

July 27 - Branch #175 - Pardini's  
*Peter Vallis*

*Valley Agriculture*

*Courtesy of Area Governor Sir Marvin Arnold*



**Happy Birthday**

Ray Allen...Ben Amirkhanian  
 Bill Burmeister...Dave Carlson  
 Jay Carter...Paul Conway  
 Bill Corbett...Larry Duba  
 Bud Gibson...Wally Hallberg  
 Lee Halverstadt...Jack Hayden  
 Howard Hesketh...Jim Kasner  
 Dick Knipper...Larry Knoll  
 Barrie Laughton...Leo Lueras  
 George Luft...Howard Masters  
 John Metzger...Wally Nickel  
 Chuck Olono...Bill Reinhardt  
 Robbie Roberson...Stan Sherman  
 Sam Simonian...Joe Smith  
 Al Willner...Jim Wulf



**Happy Anniversary**

Margaret & Dave Betts  
 Bernice & Bill Burgstaller  
 Frances & John Casey  
 Linné & Boyd Cline  
 Martha & Ron Copp  
 Sharon & Mike Farley  
 Faye & Don Lowe  
 Heidi & Guy Mathys  
 Joan & Jack McLean  
 Dorothy & John Metzger  
 Vicki & Val Rivera  
 Marie & Ed Roddy  
 Betty Jean & Wes Rose  
 Beverly & Joe Smith  
 Dee Ann & Fred Stein  
 Pauline & Bart Stockman  
 Susan & Bob Torgerson



**The deadline for the August Chanticleer is MONDAY, July 24.**

... Jim Martin, Editor

**18 Golf**

**Madera ...**

► June 1, 2006

**Team 5** J. Bencivengo/D. Betts  
**1st** J. Dougherty/A. Insalaco

**Team 3** L. Cochran/G. Gruner  
**2nd-tie** R. Jones/S. Morales

**Team 6** A. Baxter/L. Clune  
**2nd-tie** K. Shaffer/B. Young

**CTP** 1st N. Lee

**Hole** 2nd F. Fowler

**#6** 3rd A. Baxter

**CTP** 1st J. Johnson

**Hole** 2nd A. Wilner

**#15** 3rd L. Streit

**Fig Garden ...**

► May 25, 2006

**Team 6** T. Forrest/H. Gomar  
**1st** J. Munroe/J. Williford

**Team 12** J. Bort/B. Hennessey  
**2nd** J. Sheldon/R. Slaton

**Team 11** R. Knebel/R. Rosander  
**3rd** R. Segelke/J. Whitmer

**Team 1** L. Knoll/S. Morales  
**4th-Tie** D. Scharton/D. Whitlow

**Team 7** D. Betts/K. Fairchild  
**4th-Tie** J. Hatter/R. Major

**CTP** 1st R. Slaton

**Hole** 2nd A. Stimmel

**#7** 3rd G. Patton

**CTP** 1st R. J. Sheldon

**Hole** 2nd R. Phillips

**#11** 3rd D. Whitlow

**Riverbend ...**

► June 15, 2006

**1st** B. Dickson/R. Segelke

**2nd** A. Baxter/T. Feasal

**3rd** P. Lundeberg/S. Morales

**Tie** G. Patton/A. Wilner

**Tie** R. Knebel/D. Lindauer

**4th** D. Murrell/J. Williford

**Tie** B. Boguski/R. Major

**Tie** D. Hunter/M. Williamson

**CTP** 1st S. Morales

**Hole** 2nd A. Baxter

**#3** 3rd T. Feasal

**CTP** 1st D. Moore

**Hole** 2nd J. Williford

**#12** 3rd T. Feasal

...Sir Mike Williamson



**Attendance**

**B**RANCH #159 HAD 260 active members in June. There were 176 present for the luncheon, and 84 absent of whom 55 were excused.

According to our bylaws, members are expected to attend or to notify the Attendance Chairman whenever they wish to be excused. Three consecutive absences or six absences in a twelve-month period constitute a jeopardy to membership.

If you are unable to attend in June, contact me by phone at 439-1228 or at [robertm@thegrid.net](mailto:robertm@thegrid.net).

...Sir Bob Montgomery

Talk is cheap, except when Congress does it. *Anonymous*

I never drink water because of the disgusting things fish do in it. *W. C. Fields*



**New Zip Code???**

**T**HE U. S. POSTAL SERVICE has set up three new Zip Codes in our area, **93636, 93723, and 93730**. Their announcement says everybody affected has received notice.

If your Zip Code is one of those changing, please advise Sir Roger Deal as soon as possible, at 297-7022 or [roger.deal@comcast.net](mailto:roger.deal@comcast.net).



**Welcome to Our New Members**

★ *Ellis Bowman*

★ *Byron Carlson*

★ *Larry Duba*

★ *Donald Sears*

★ *Stephen Wray*



**Bowling**

**H**ERE ARE THE LATEST results for our SIR bowling group (80% handicaps included):

- ▶ **May 26**
- High Series     A. Frey           628
- High Game     E. Gavigan       236
- ▶ **June 2**
- High Series     T. Harlan         676
- High Game     B. Ripley         231
- ▶ **June 9**
- High Series     T. Dew            631
- High Game     J. Kasner         233
- ▶ **June 16**
- High Series     T. Harlan         628
- High Game     E. Gavigan       218
- ▶ **June 23**
- High Series     M. Knapp         602
- High Game     E. Gavigan       237

New bowlers are always welcome at AMF Sierra Lanes on Fridays at 10:00 AM. For further information, call me at 298-3101.

...Sir Ed Gavigan

**SIR Miscellany ...**

- ▶ A new edition of "Sir Happenings" is available on the SIR web site, *www.SIR.com*, loaded with news of members and branch activities.
- ▶ Congratulations to **Reg and Larry Rosander** for outstanding performances at the SIR state golf tournament in Reno!
- ▶ And also to **Mike Williamson** for making a hole-in-one on #14 at Riverbend on June 15!



**Travel**

*For members and guests only!*

**H**ERE IS THE LATEST INFORMATION on upcoming trips. We can no longer include full information in the Chanticleer. Be sure to stop at the travel table in the Ramada lobby to pick up sheets with the details.

- ▶ **August 9, 2006** — "A Chorus Line" at the Curran Theater, San Francisco (*Sir Richard Beers, 431-3728*).
- ▶ **October 3-4, 2006** — "California's Presidential Libraries" (Nixon and Reagan) (*Sir John Levis, 433-1740*).
- ▶ **October 24-31, 2006** — "Great American Cities Tour" (*Sir Richard Beers, 431-3728*).
- ▶ **October 31-November 8, 2006** — "Mississippi Queen, St. Paul to St. Louis" (*Sir John Levis, 433-1740*).
- ▶ **March 2-12, 2007** — "Guatemala—Mayan Civilizations" (*Sir Richard Beers, 431-3728*).
- ▶ **April 16-21, 2007** — "Branson Musical Getaways" (*Sir Ed Dorn, 433-0670*).

My email is [crdahlll@comcast.net](mailto:crdahlll@comcast.net).  
...Sir Carrol Dahl



**Sunshine**

**G**EE, I THOUGHT THERE FOR A WHILE that I was going to be the only ailing member for the month of June.

But **Bob Button** wife had a stroke and is not doing well. His wife, Betty, would like those who know him to call and offer some encouragement. **Carrol Dahl** says he is feeling great and got through his rehab with flying colors. **Bill Meyers** is doing a tad better and has a good attitude so we have high hopes for him. **Bob Torgerson** survived the shingles but is in the hospital for tests. **Jerry Jones** was in the hospital for some circulation work. Me? Well, if I get any more spare parts, I will be a whole new person. And who can stand that?

Please let me know if you hear of any members on the "feeling poorly" list. Reach me at [cocooperiva@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cocooperiva@sbcglobal.net) or 439-2757.

...Sir Bob Cooper

I was married by a judge. I should have asked for a jury. **Groucho Marx**  
Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint. **Mark Twain**



**Computers**

**O**N JUNE 27, Roger Deal gave us an overview on How Computers Work, the hardware which makes possible our use of both PCs and Macs. Many users haven't ever ventured a peek inside their machines, at the array of stuff which includes the processor, memory, hard drive(s), and other mysterious technology.

On July 25, new member Jerry Gurs will discuss video on the computer, including cameras, editing, and saving.

Note that our starting time is **1:00 PM**. We meet at the Woodward Park Library, 344 East Perrin Avenue (at its northwest corner with Champlain). For more information, contact me: [roger.deal@comcast.net](mailto:roger.deal@comcast.net) or 297-7022.

...Sir Roger Deal



**Bridge**

**I**N RECENT SINGLES PLAY, **Bob Osmanson** had the high total score of 6540 points. **Bob Osmanson** and **Jim Peterson** had the high one-table score of 1540 points.

Position	Week #1	Week #3
1	J. Lund	B. Osmanson
2	B. Kooyumjian	J. Lund
3	B. Osmanson	J. Peterson
4	J. Whitmer	P. Hunting
5	W. Rose	P. Giragosian
6	B. Thompson	B. Thompson
7	L. Knoll	B. Kooyumjian
Consolation	B. Cleveland	B. Haw

...Sir John Williford