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Chaplain: Larry Morgan

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Nominating Chair: Cris Andrews

Newsletter: Lee Lamp

Raffle: Jim McClelland

Sunshine: Len Napoli

Special Awards: Lee Lamp

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# SIR

## Newsletter



Three Shastas  
Branch 129  
Redding, CA

**The Pres Sez'**

I hope this finds everyone doing well and settling into the heat of a Redding Summer...man that was a short spring. The June temps saw high 90's and low 100's real quick. It's been a busy month for me. Considerable time spent preparing for a Town Hall meeting that State Sir was holding for the branches. The focus of this meeting was to bring the branch's information on where the State believes the organization should head in the coming months in order to become a sustainable and viable asset to our communities. I briefed the BEC on some of the changes being proposed and they were all invited to the Town Hall meeting. Later in this newsletter I'll include a segment on the immediate areas to focus as well as some long term suggestions. The hope is to be transparent with the branches up front to avoid the issue of years past which eroded the trust that Branch Leaders may have had with the State Board. Why are we doing this? It's really very simple. I believe I've made clear to all of you how important this organization is to our community. That being a group focused on improving the quality of life for our members by encouraging an active and vibrant lifestyle. To exercise both your mind and your body to improve your health and hence prolong the time you have with family and friends. When SIR was formed in the late 1950's the predominant activity for the members was to come together and play golf. Over time other activities were added and branches expanded throughout the state from Fresno north as far as Mt Shasta. Membership reached a peak of around 30,000 members and 179 branches. But in the later part of the 90's and upon entering the...*(Continued on next page)*

**Monthly Meeting***First Thursday of the month**Elks Lodge*

Meeting/Speaker: 11:00 - 12:00

\*Nov/Dec subject to change for holidays

***Attendance is Important***

**Guest  
Speaker:**

No meeting this  
month.

***Happy 4th  
of July!***

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...21st Century we started seeing our membership dwindle and the closure of branches. Several branches merged with others to the point we are today with right around 8400 members and 84 branches. As far back as 2004 the State started looking into what was needed to change the direction and get back to having a presence in our communities like it had been years before. However, due to a variety of reasons, no action was ever taken with the support of all (or most) of the branches. A little over a year ago the incoming 2024 State President (then the VP) set about collecting a team of individuals that came together to take a more focused approach to change and after many Zoom calls, phone calls, a couple of face to face meetings, including one where all branch leadership was invited to attend and participate, we set upon a series of proposals geared towards bringing the organization out of the 50's/60's and into the world of today. The last 6 months I have been the Acting President and responsible for shepherding the team to stay on track and this month I presented our proposed changes to branch leaders via that previously mentioned Town Hall meeting. I believe there is a light at the end of the tunnel and a positive change in direction for the organization is on the horizon. We are not close to being done as each of the changes will require considerable effort to implement. But with participation of branches in the solutions and a little bit of patience and persistence we can become a much more visible organization within our communities and that should lead to an increase in membership, more types of activities added to branch calendars, and more lives positively impacted through embracing a lifestyle that promotes participation in activities geared towards enriching one's life.

## State Officers

<b>State President (sabbatical)</b>	Dale Decker Br 136	<b>Board Area Rep #2</b>	Bruce Corwin Br 159
<b>Vice President (acting Pres)</b>	Lee Lamp Br 129	<b>Board Area Rep #3</b>	Fred Serena Br 26
<b>2nd Vice President</b>	Rich Carlson Br 8	<b>Dir State Documents</b>	Jeff Chin Br 103
<b>Secretary</b>	Rich Carlson Br 8	<b>Dir State Activities</b>	Mark Stuart Br 98
<b>Treasurer</b>	Carl Mason Br 88	<b>Dir Marketing/Comm</b>	Andy Danver Br 35
<b>Chief Information Officer</b>	Roy Hodgkinson Br 146	<b>State Advisor</b>	Derek Southern Br 8
<b>Board Area Rep #1</b>	OPEN	<b>Legal Advisor</b>	Stu Williams Br 149

## Lunch Bunch

by Duane Nelson



Come out and join us on July 17th at 11:30am and enjoy the Buffet at GoodTimes Pizza in Palo Cedro. If you have questions or suggestions please contact me (email [bandan@msn.com](mailto:bandan@msn.com) or call 530-547-5157).

## 2024 Slate of Officers submitted by Cris Andrews

It should be noted that all the Committee and Activity Chairs are appointed by the incoming 2025 Big Sir and not subject to approval by vote of the members at the August 1, 2024 General Members Meeting.

Cris Andrews, Nominating Chairman; Committee: Barrie Lee - Submitted & Approved at BEC Meeting on 6/6/24

The BEC Approved Slate for 2025 will be recommended to the members for a vote by all who attend the August 1, 2024, General Members Meeting. There may be nominations from the floor. The result of the vote will be sent to the State SIR by August 31, 2025, as required.

*Note: By tradition, the prior year's President becomes a Director for one year immediately following his term of office. Because Past President Lee Lamp will be the State SIR President for 2025, the Committee in consultation with President Lamp decided to not follow the tradition because of the heavy workload he will carry as State SIR President.*

Barrie Lee, President

Ken Timmerman, Asst. Treasurer

Morgan Akin, Vice President

Sid Nobles, Director

Cris Andrews, Secretary

Chuck Spafford, Director

Gerry Dodge, Asst. Secretary

Dennis Compomizzo, Director

Rix Callaway, Treasurer

David Yorton, Director



## Treasurer Report by Rix Callaway

It's July. Summer activities are in full swing. Time to enjoy the SIR events you enjoy. It's also a good time to bring in new members who now enjoy prorated dues—now \$20 for the rest of the year. The bills are paid and the account is balanced. Hope to see you at the August luncheon

## Birthdays in July

Joe Beck	July 28th	Don Schimpff	July 8th
Richard Chapman	July 1st	Robert Smick	July 23rd
Len Dolan	July 18th	Russ Smith	July 23rd
Charlie Gripp	July 2nd	Mike Stewart	July 30th
Roger Peters	July 14th	Tom Ward	July 22nd
Bob Ried	July 23rd		



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Golf - 9 Hole	Bob Goetz	530-245-0684	lakehead6@gmail.com
Lunch Bunch	Duane Nelson	530-547-5157	bandan@msn.com
Bocce Ball	Dennis Compomizzo	530-356-9966	dennysz71@yahoo.com

## July/Aug Calendar of Events

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Meeting Forum</b>
18 Hole Golf	July 1st, 9:00am	Mt Shasta (\$45 + optional skins)
Bocce	July 5th, 9:00am	South City Park
BEC Meeting	no meeting this month	
General Membership Luncheon	no luncheon this month	
9 Hole Golf	July 9th, 9:00am	Lake Redding
18 Hole Golf	July 17th, 9:30am	Lake Shastina (\$58+optional skins \$3)
Lunch Bunch	July 17th, 11:30am	Goodtimes Pizza, Palo Cedro
Bocce	July 19th, 9:00am	South City Park
9 Hole Golf	July 23rd, 8:30am	Tucker Oaks
BEC Meeting	Aug 1st, 9:30am	Elks
General Membership Luncheon	Aug 1st, 11:00am	Elks
Bocce	Aug 2nd, 9:00am	South City Park
9 Hole Golf	Aug 2nd, 9:00am	Allens
18 Hole Golf	Aug 8th, 10am	Riverview
Bocce	Aug 16th, 9:00am	South City Park
9 Hole Golf	Aug 20th, 9:00am	Lake Redding
Lunch Bunch	Aug 21st, 11:30am	Goodtimes Pizza, Palo Cedro
18 Hole Golf	Aug 26th, 9am	Canyon Oaks
Bocce	Aug 30th, 9:00am	South City Park

## Sunshine Report By Len Napoli

Heard that Dick Fyten had to spend a few days in the hospital for observation to find out his current health problems. Hope to have some answers soon.

Gail & I are trying to make a decision as to where to watch the fireworks this year. We have friends that live above the tressel in Highland Park. Then there is a double feature at Tiger Field. Watch the 45's, then sit on the outfield or in bleachers and the view is exceptional. Did that one year and really enjoyed it. I recommend it!

July normally brings in the heat so pace yourself outside and drink alot of water. Golf is more desirable in the early morning and then rewards you with the perfect end of the round with a cold beer. The coast is always a refreshing break from the heat.

Enjoy the summer!



## 9 Hole Golf Report by Bob Goetz

June had two 9-Hole outings, June 4<sup>th</sup> at Lake Redding and June 26<sup>th</sup> at Allen's. Lake Redding has new owners this year and they are struggling with getting the greens just right, but at Allen's the greens have never looked better. We are blessed with very affordable 9-hole courses in Redding. We pay \$11.00 at Lake Redding and \$8.00 at Allen's. If you have played in the past, but for some reason stopped playing, come and join us. In addition to the comradery of your fellow SIRs we also stop for a cool drink after the round and catch up on life.

### HOW TO SIGN UP TO PLAY

I'll send out an invitation to play the 9-Hole events about 5 days before the playing date. If you are not on my distribution list please contact me to have your name added. I also have sign-up sheets at the SIRs monthly meetings. You can also contact me by calling or texting me at (530-213-3850). When texting, please include your name in the text. You can also email me at [sirs9holegolf@gmail.com](mailto:sirs9holegolf@gmail.com).

To get the latest information on golf as well as other activities you can go to the SIRs web site is at

<https://sirinc2.org/branch129/>

As always you can invite a spouse, son, daughter, grandchild or friends to play with you. Hope to see you at a future event.



Phil Perry, Gerry Dodge, Dan Malmgren and Randy Moore wait to tee off on the first hole at Allen's.

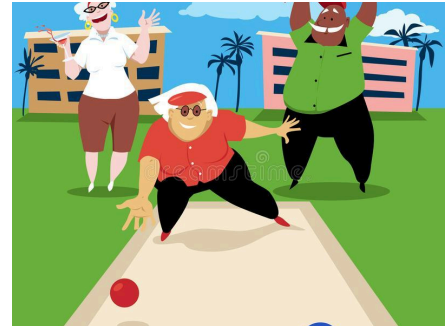


Bill Harris and Barrie Lee watch as Joe Beck tees off at Allen's. This is the first time Joe has played in over a year. Every drive was right down the middle.



## Bocce by Dennis Compomizzo

Summer is here a bit early, and the start times have been move up to 9:00 AM to try and beat the heat. We had a wonderful turn out for the month of June. The bocce courts are pretty smooth and rolling rather quickly. The City of Redding Recreation Bocce League was a big success. Thank you to all that signed up. Our next bocce play dates for the month of July will be the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. A Constant Contact announcement will be sent out advising everyone about the dates and times of play. If you haven't tried playing bocce, you are missing out! Bring your family and friends and enjoy some fun times and a little competition. See you at the next SIR's meeting and luncheon.



If you have any questions, call, text, or email. 530-356-9966 [dennysz71@yahoo.com](mailto:dennysz71@yahoo.com).

## 18 Hole Golf Report By Lee Lamp



Wilcox Oaks was the only event in June. We had 9 players make it out for a very hot day on the course. The best part was the time spent with friends.

<b>First Flight</b>
Jim Girt
Brad Bunnell
Larry Welch
Phil Perry

There were 8 skins awarded (Larry Welch x4, Jim Girt, Brad Bunnell, Greg Pearson, Randy Moore)

**Next up is Mt Shasta on Jul 1st. After that is Lake Shastina on July 17th. Signups are open now for Lake Shastina.** Please remember that normally checks are easier to manage for me. They can be mailed to me at: 4355 Singing Wind Ct, Redding, CA 96001. **You need to let me know if you plan to play! Courses ask for the number of players several days in advance.**

**Inviting a guest to play golf with us is a great way to grow our membership.** It's easier than ever to fill out an application. Send them to our online application web site:

[https://sirinc.org/application/?branch\\_name=Three%20Shastas%20%20Branch%2C%20Redding&branch\\_number=129&branch\\_website=https://sirinc2.org/branch129&branch\\_email=sirs129@outlook.com&branch\\_activities=Golf%20\(9%20and%2018%20Holes\)%2C%20Bocce%2C%20Lunch%20Bunch%2C%20Book%20Exchange&branch\\_volunteers=Publicity%2C%20Recruiting%2C%20Member%20Relations](https://sirinc.org/application/?branch_name=Three%20Shastas%20%20Branch%2C%20Redding&branch_number=129&branch_website=https://sirinc2.org/branch129&branch_email=sirs129@outlook.com&branch_activities=Golf%20(9%20and%2018%20Holes)%2C%20Bocce%2C%20Lunch%20Bunch%2C%20Book%20Exchange&branch_volunteers=Publicity%2C%20Recruiting%2C%20Member%20Relations)

## NASCAR/INDY CAR Report by Barrie Lee



### 6/1/24

Since IndyCar is running the streets of Detroit, MI tomorrow, the IMSA Endurance Series is running today. The top class runs Cadillac, Acura, Astin Martin, Porsche, etc. I watched and enjoyed a good race with Acura taking the win.

### 6/2/24

The IndyCar series is running the Detroit street course today and it is a tight fit when you're running over 180 mph with 27 cars. Team Penske had its problems today with only Will Power finishing in 6th place. So today, Chip Ganassi Racing returned to win the race with Scott Dixon and Armstrong in the #11 Dallara in 3rd. Andretti Global finished 2nd with Ericsson in the #28 and Kirkwood finished 4th in the #27. Good showing after some fairly poor performances so far this year. Ericsson won the Indy 500 three years ago with Chip Ganassi Racing, but this year he was one of the first out by crashing on the first lap. Now here comes Team Arrow McLaren. Alexander Rossi in the #7 McLaren finished 5th, Pato O'Ward was 7th, and their rookie, Pourcharie in the #6 rounded out the top 10. Felix Rosenqvist in the #60 for Meyer Shank Racing was 8th and that pesky Ferrucci in the #14 AJ Foyt car finished 9th. Ferrucci isn't making any friends out there but doesn't seem to mind.

Nascar raced in St. Louis on Sunday also and it was a great race. Christopher Bell won stage one and two in his JGR #20 Toyota and seemed to be the fastest car at the track that day. However, the Team Penske cars stayed out at the end of stage two and didn't pit with everyone else. Strategy really does make a difference in these races. So when the field rejoined the action, Ryan Blaney moved to the front in his #12 Ford Mustang and became the car to beat. Bell passed everyone else during the last 50 laps and appeared to be headed to the front. It came down to a great dual between Bell and Blaney, with Blaney able to keep Bell behind him for dozens of laps. It was the best part of the race. Then, Bell radioed his crew that he was blowing up. Blaney seemed to be on his way to victory when he ran out of gas on the last lap and his teammate, Austin Cindric in the deuce passed him for the win. Great for Cindric and Team Penske, but Blaney had the race stolen due to the luck of the draw. On the last pit stop for both men, Blaneys fueler used one can of gas and Cindrics guy backed up during the tire exchange process and grabbed a full can of gas and topped off the deuce. If Blaneys man had done the same, Blaney would have won. Next week is Sonoma and the last of the FOX portion of the year.

I'm skipping Sears Points information, but I believe Kyle Larson won.

Next was Iowa Speedway and it was a good race with Ryan Blaney winning in the end. Rusty Wallace designed the track about ten years ago, but this is the first time the Cup series raced there. Many good challenges for the lead during the race with Blaney taking control at the end.

### 6/23/24

The cup series raced in New Hampshire today and Christopher Bell won the race. He also won yesterday's Xfinity race. He drives a Toyota. Enough said about this event. By the way, that fantastic network, NBC, carried the race and was also going to show the IndyCar race in Monterey, Ca. Due to a rain delay in the Nascar race, they transferred the IndyCar race to Peacock. If you don't know this name, it's the money grubbing channel owned by NBC. Well, I'm sorry to tell you I don't know who won the race in Monterey because I refuse to pay NBC a dime for their money grab. The winner will be announced next month.

## ATTENTION: There will NOT be a General Membership Luncheon in July. See you in August.

*Share this newsletter with your friends and help us grow the membership!*

**Activities** I'm certain that there are some types of activities that we can consider to fill other days during the month. When thinking about what SIR is, I think of the fellowship we offer and coming together to remain engaged and active. Whether it be engaging our brains with board games or card games, finding a trail to hike that is easy for some or another trail to hike that may offer a challenge. Remaining active keeps us healthy. All it takes is one person with an idea.

### **Computer Group**

**While there is no computer meeting, it does not mean there is no help....call Big Sir and maybe, just maybe he can help.**

SIR Branch 129 Facebook page link.

<https://www.facebook.com/socialactivitiesformen/>

SIR Branch 129 Private Facebook page link.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/401463741647384/>

For more information on Zoom: Go to

<https://sirinc.org/Zoom/LearningZoom.pdf>

State SIR Newsletter "Happenings".

<https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>

