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Two months left in 2024! Our unseasonably warm weather has continued into at least the first few weeks of October delaying in many areas the change of colors we so look forward to (at least I do). In case some of you have missed the emails I've sent regarding our publicity push, I want to bring attention to the efforts of two of our new members. Jim McMahan and Jerry Sanchez have taken the ball and run with it. Things started at the end of September with the Honey Bee Festival and this month with the Anderson Fall Day & Block Party, the Sikh Festival in Anderson, Farmers Market (city hall Redding), and the Golden Palooza event at the Civic Center in Redding. There are plans for an Artisan Fair in December and I'll bet they come up with something for this month. Please find time to reach out to them and offer your help! I'll list phone numbers in the Activities list later in this newsletter. As Jim says, this is clearly an event to partake in. The chance to share our story with the community is fun and fulfilling. In addition to his efforts to share the SIR story, Jerry Sanchez is working hard to get current photos of every member in order to improve the Annual Directory by adding a face to a name for all. Jerry is taking time out of his day(s) to attend various events and meet everyone while getting a snapshot. His energy is contagious and he's a great addition to the branch. As I write this I'm preparing to take a vacation trip for the first time in several years. I'm headed to Washington DC with my wife and son to celebrate his 21st birthday. Thanks to Eric Measles and Dennis Compomizzo for sharing ideas on what to see and do while there. It's been a bucket list item for me and my... *(cont' next page)*

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

Meeting/Speaker: 11:00 - 12:00

*Dec subject to change for holidays

Attendance is Important**Guest
Speaker:**

Dr. Norman
Hall, President,
Simpson
University

cont' from the prior page: ...family is also looking forward to the monuments, museums, and history we'll take in for the week we are there. By the time you reach this I'll have just returned. Thank you to all the contributors to the newsletter for getting things to me early so that I can get this in final form to email out the last day of October.

State Officers 2025 Slate

State President	Rich Carlston Br 8	Board Area Rep #3	Fred Serena Br 26
Vice President	Lee Lamp Br 129	Dir State Documents	Bruce Corwin Br 159
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Treasurer	Carl Mason Br 88	Dir Marketing/Comm	Andy Danver Br 35
Chief Information Officer	Kevin King Br 95	State Advisor	open
Board Area Rep #1	open	Legal Advisor	open
Board Area Rep #2	Bruce Corwin Br 159	AR Coordinator	Fred Serena Br 26

Lunch Bunch

by Duane Nelson



Come out and join us on November 20th 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 or call 530-547-5157).

Activity	Chair	Telephone	Email
Book Exchange	Len Napoli	530-547-4201	lenandgail@frontiernet.net
Golf - 18 Hole	Lee Lamp	530-921-1375	lel4355@yahoo.com
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
Publicity Events	Jim McMahan/Jerry Sanchez	530-953-3151 530-925-2409	jimduedranch213@icloud.com huerojerry@yahoo.com

Guest Speaker by Morgan Akin

Dr. Norman Hall, Simpson University became the 15th President in June 2018. Prior to coming to Simpson he served as the Vice President for International and Alumni Affairs and Major Gift Officer at Greenville University in Illinois. He received his doctorate in educational administration from Pepperdine University in California. He will be joined by Shawn Daniel, Simpson Football Coach, and one of the Deans.

Welcoming New Members 2024 Phil Perry, Membership Chair

The following individuals all joined our Branch during the 2024 calendar year. Join me in welcoming them. This is a new (and long overdue) addition to the newsletter. It will be a running total through the year. We are voting to induct 3 more members during the October BEC meeting which will take us to 98 members. Two more to hit 100 which is a great job of recruiting and growing the membership! These new members are already participating in golf and recruitment. Great Job!

Name	Sponsor	Name	Sponsor
Richard Chapman 3/24	Larry Welch	James McMahon 3/24	Hal Leininger
Tim Holmquist 5/24	Steve Renier	Greg Deptuck 5/24	Don Arnold
Dennis Ward 6/24	Chuck Spafford	James Brown 6/24	Lee Dickey
Clark Moorhead 7/24	Tom Vlahos	Greg Laam 8/24	Mike Deay
David Laam 8/24	Mike Deay	Bob Watt 9/24	None listed
Mike Smith 9/24	Elks Newsletter	David Mosunich 9/24	Chuck Cotten
John Bettes 10/24	Gerry Dodge	Jerry Sanchez 10/24	Enjoy Magazine
Lynn Leistinger 10/24	Dave Laam		

[Share this newsletter with your friends and help us grow the membership!](#)

Computer Group

While there is no computer meeting, it does not mean there is no help....call the Lee and maybe, just maybe he can help.



Treasurer Report by Rix Callaway

Welcome to Fall and all it brings: Pumpkins, Goblins, Turkey and dressing, then Christmas, and MORE turkey. And that is what's for dinner on **December 11 at the Annual SIRS Christmas Luncheon For only \$25. Be sure to get your tickets at the next SIR luncheon or you can mail me a check: 8921 Olney Park Dr., Redding, CA 96001** and I will place you on the Will-Call list at the check-In table. I will also mail them to you if you wish. Good time, Excellent food at a great price. No other deal in town like it. Again, please check in for the monthly luncheon even if you are not paying for lunch so we have an accurate count. The bills are paid and the account is balanced. See you at the luncheon

Birthdays in October

Dennis Compomizzo	Nov 17th	Rick Mortenson	Nov 6th
Darren Dearman	Nov 8th	David Mosunich	Nov 4th
Dick Fyten	Nov 13th	Don Paulsen	Nov 18th
Rick Grozenski	Nov 30th	Steve Renier	Nov 24th
Lee Lamp	Nov 12th		



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 State SIR Newsletter "Happenings".
<https://sirinc.org/newsletters/>



Recruiting Efforts



Left Picture: Eric Measles, Jim McMahan, Jerry Sanchez at the Anderson Fall Market.
Right Picture: Hal Leininger, Jim McMahan, Morgan Akin, Barrie Lee at Farmers Market.

Nov/Dec Calendar of Events

Activity	Date/Time	Meeting Forum
Bocce	Nov 1st, 10am	South City Park (conditions permitting)
9 Hole Golf	Nov 6th, 9am	Churn Creek
BEC Meeting	Nov 7th, 9:30am	Elks
General Membership Luncheon	Nov 7th, 11am	Elks
18 Hole Golf	Nov 13th, 10:00am	Tierra Oaks
Bocce	Nov 15th, 10am	South City Park (conditions permitting)
Lunch Bunch	Nov 20th, 11:30am	Goodtimes Pizza, Palo Cedro
18 Hole Golf	Dec 2nd, 9:30am	Gold Hills
Bocce	Dec 6th, 10am	South City Park (conditions permitting)
Christmas Luncheon	Dec 11th, 11am	Sons of Italy

ATTENTION: The next General Membership Luncheon is November 7th at 11am.

Sunshine Report By Len Napoli

Welcome to November! Daylight savings time ends on the 3rd which will shorten our days and give you some time to enjoy a good book in your comfy chair and cozy room. The book table is full of great stories.

Nov 11th is Veteran's day so don't forget to put out your flag. Thank you veterans for your service.

Of course Thanksgiving is on the 28th. It's one of my favorite holidays as our families get together and have those special dishes that only are served once a year. My wife and I used to host all the holiday get-togethers but lately we're farming out that responsibility to our daughters. Getting older does have its perks.

A nice quote from Charmaine J. Forde should inspire us.

"Don't wait until the 4th Thursday in November, to sit with family & friends to give thanks. Make every day a day of Thanksgiving."



Bocce by Dennis Compomizzo

Fall has officially arrived and it's starting to feel like our normal fall weather. The courts are rolling better than ever. We would love to see some of our new members show up and experience the camaraderie and fellowship this venue has to offer. The game is very easy and all the equipment is provided. Our next bocce play dates are November 1st and 15th at 10:00 AM, weather permitting. Please note, the start times have been moved to 10:00 AM due to the cooler days. A Constant Contact announcement will be sent out advising everyone about the dates and time 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.



9 Hole Golf Report by Bob Goetz

In October we played two courses, Tucker Oaks on the 8th and Allen's on the 23rd. It is nice to see new members come out and enjoy the 9-Hole group. November is the last month of 2024 that we will play until 2025. Based on a number of recommendations we have scheduled Churn Creek for Wednesday November 6th with a 9:00 am first tee. The price is \$12.00 per person and includes a cart (two people per cart). If you haven't played Churn Creek in a while, this is a great opportunity to get out and have some fun with your fellow SIRs.

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.

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.

As always you can invite a spouse, son, daughter, grandchild or friends to play with you. Hope to see you at Churn Creek on November 6th



Bob Watt on the first tee at Tucker Oaks.

Inviting a guest to join an activity with us is a great way to grow our membership and several of you have brought guests recently...Turn them into members! It's easier than ever to fill out an application. Send them to our online application web site: <https://sirinc2.org/branch129/>



18 Hole Golf Report By Lee Lamp

On October 14th a group of 13 traveled to Chico to play Bidwell Park. By all accounts a great time was had by all.

First Flight	Second Flight
Len Napoli +4	Bob Monaghan +1
Mike Deay +5	Phil Perry +1
Greg Ephland +6	Lynn Leistinger +4

There were 9 skins awarded (B. Monaghan x2, G. Ephland x2, L. Leistinger x2, G. Laam x2, M. Deay)

21 players signed up to play Riverview on October 31st. A little overcast, rain during the night prior but the day turned out great.

First Flight	Second Flight	Third Flight
Steve Renier -2	Lynn Leistinger -4	Jim Brown -5
Greg Pearson E	Bob Monaghan -2	Chuck Cotten +5
Len Napoli E	Mike Deay +2	Len Dolan +5

There were 5 skins awarded (Brad Bunnell, Mike Deay, Lynn Leistinger, John McCue, Len Napoli)

Next up is Tierra Oaks on Nov 13th followed by Gold Hills on Dec 2nd. Signups are open now for both.

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.**



NASCAR/INDY CAR Report by Barrie Lee

IndyCar wrapped up their season last week in Nashville, Tn. Alex Paloux won the championship for Chip Ganassi Racing. That's three out of the last four years for Paloux.

This week finds Nascar running their third race of the playoffs which will eliminate the bottom four drivers of the final sixteen. We're in Bristol Tn./Virginia (The town is divided by the two states) at the "Last Great Colosseum" which is also referred to as the fastest 1/2 mile track in Nascar. I saw a banner saying it's a 1/2 miler, so I'm going with that number. The race turned out to be a tribute to Kyle Larson since he led close to 470 laps of the 500 total. Bob Bondurant who raced years ago and has been running a racing school for decades in both Sonoma and Phoenix, Ar. once stated that he's seen the best at his school including Jeff Gordon, Jimmie

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Johnson, etc. and without a doubt, Larson is by far the best driver he's ever seen. Kyle will do the double again next year with Arrow Team McLaren supplying his IndyCar at Indianapolis. He could be the best in all auto racing including formula One and IndyCar. His racing schedule is arduous and in all forms of venues. The top five at Bristol were; Larson, Elliot, Wallace, Hamlin and Christopher Bell. The four drivers eliminated were; Gibbs, Truex Jr., Keselowski, and Harrison Burton. The round of twelve starts next week at Kansas Speedway, then my favorite 2 1/2 mile track, Talladega Superspeedway, followed by Charlotte Motor Speedway Road Course (The Roval) to finish the round of twelve. The year is winding down, so if you haven't seen a race in a while, give it a shot. NBC is using the USA channel to carry a lot of the Nascar races.

9/29

The first race in the round of twelve was run today, and Ross Chastain won the race. Kansas Speedway had many ups and downs, but since I watched the 49ers game, I missed most of the race. I did tape it, so if you have any questions about the race, let me know and I'll watch the recording. Talladega, Al. next week and I can't wait. This is the fastest track in the Nascar series. It was built by Bill France and it is designed like Daytona. 2 1/2 miles of high speed excitement.

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Talladega is a great track and shows the speeds, danger, and driving abilities of these Nascar Cup series drivers. There were no major wrecks during most of the race. Ryan Blaney was punted by a careless Alex Bowman when he rammed the back of the #12 Mustang. One or two more accidents also took place, but with cars running four wide during a major part of the race at 195 mph, it was a portrait of the quality of these drivers. Then with four laps remaining, and Austin Cindric leading the race (driving the deuce of Team Penske) Brad Keselowski hooks Austin's bumper and spins him 180 degrees and causes an 18 car pileup. Since Austins teammate, Joey Logano in the #22 Shell/Pennzoil Mustang was running in 3rd, he too got caught up in the massive wreck. The #47 Mustang of Rickey Stenhouse won the race and I didn't get the list of top finishers. If you would like to know the top ten, feel free to ask me. Charlotte's Roval is next week, and it's always a fun race to watch.

10/13

The Roval is a fun race to watch. When they initially built the road course within the two mile oval at Charlotte Motor Speedway, I didn't think it was a good idea. After the first race, I changed my mind. They've changed the course this year, a tweek or two for the better, and it's really a fun event. Kyle Larson in the #5 Chevy Camaro was the class of the field today by leading the most laps, and finishing in first place. Since today's race was the last of the round of eight, we're down to eight drivers going for the cup. All of the RHM teams made it to the next round. That means Larson (5), William Byron (24), Alex Bowman (48) and Chase Elliot (9) move to the round of eight. Two of JGRs boys made it, Hamlin (11) and Bell (20), along with Ryan Blaney with Team Penske (12) and the North States Tyler Reddick (45) with 23/XI Racing. That's quite a measure of success for the RHM team and they should feel proud of their accomplishments. The next three races will determine the final round of four to compete for the Nascar Cup at Phoenix, Az. All three of the next races will be on the old fashion tracks like Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Homestead-Miami Speedway, and Martinsville Speedway. I look for at least two RHM cars to make the next cut, along with Blaney, and Christopher Bell. That means I'm not picking Reddick, Hamlin, Bowman, and Chase Elliot to make the final four. We'll see how things shake out.

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OMG, as I'm watching qualifying Saturday for the Vegas race Sunday, it appears that Alex Bowman has been removed from the final eight due to a weight issue from the Roval race in Charlotte, NC. That puts Joey Logano in the round of eight with his teammate, Ryan Blaney. So now we have the following in the round of eight; 5, 9, 24, 12, 22, 11, 20 and 45.

10/20

It's Sunday morning and the Nascar race in Vegas is just starting. TV is swamped today with football, baseball, the Nascar race and Formula One is running in Texas at the Circuit of Americas track in Austin, TX. KIXE is carrying Carol King and James Taylor. What to do? Well, first the Vegas race. The Toyotas were all very fast, including JGRs four cars, and Tyler Reddick in the #45 23/xi team car. Christopher Bell in the #20 led the most laps but came up short. Martin Truex Jr. took out several cars early in the race, including Reddick, Chase Elliot, Brad Kesolowski and Ryan Blaney. But he continued to run. Tyler rolled once and others were badly damaged, even if they continued to race. The last stage was the most exciting with strategies making the ending very exciting. Joey Logano ended up winning the race for Team Penske in the #22 Shell Oil/Pennzoil Mustang. Christopher Bell finished second, followed by the #99 of Daniel Suarez, the #24 of William Byron, and his teammate in the #48 Camaro for RHM. It turned out to be a very exciting and fun race. Since we don't cover Formula One, I didn't get those results. The second race of the round of eight will be next Sunday at the Homestead/Miami Speedway in FL.