



The Grapevine

Tokay SIR Branch 145 Newsletter

A non-profit social organization for men over 50



Big Sir Remarks

Gentlemen,

On 6/20 I sent an email to all members about several State SIR Travel options. Please let me know if you pursue any of those travel options as I think our members would be interested to know how that went for you.

At the June meeting I was asked how Branch 145 might use the money we have available. Juan Ochoa had reported that we have \$4400 in the bank. It is a very good question. SIR is committed to be a not-for-profit organization. The options we have to contribute or donate funds to anyone is very limited. The BEC will explore our options and report to you at a future meeting.

The July speaker is Jeff Berkheimer, Electric Utility Director, City of Lodi. Should be interesting to hear his experiences seeing as how he started the position in 2019, and was in charge during the entire pandemic.

The August speaker (we hope) will be US Representative Josh Harder (CA-09). Stockton Branch 46 approached his office last winter to try to have him speak and invited Branch 145 (that's us) to have a combined meeting to make a visit a little more attractive to the congressman. We hope you can be flexible about the date. Angelo Sebazco, Br. 46 Big Sir has proposed three dates to Rep. Harder in August with the preferred date being August 8 – second Tuesday and our normal meeting date. But we won't hear from Mr. Harder's office to confirm a date until sometime in early July. Hopefully we will have an update at our next meeting on July 11.

See you at Elkhorn,

Mark Wahlman, Big Sir

JULY 2023

Activities

July Dine-out

July 20, 2023

6:00pm

Papapavlos

501 Lincoln Center, Stockton

Coordinators: Stephen & Julie Hellmer

RSVP – shellmer@comcast.net

July Wine Appreciation

July 25, 2023

5:00pm

Hosts: Ron & Kathie Mettler

20056 Fairway Ct., Woodbridge

RSVP – ronmettler@sbcglobal.net



JUNE FINANCIALS

Membership,



On June 13, 2023, we had a great lunch at Elk Horn CC, and the board would like to see more membership participation at both lunch and golf.

We started the month with \$2698.30, and we ended the month with \$2643.60. We took in \$1025.00 in lunch, \$50.00 for the raffle, and \$30.00 in membership dues. We had expenses of \$1050.00 for lunch, \$20.00 for dessert, and \$89.70 was the cost for the newsletter. There is a negative of \$54.70 for this month.

After all accounting was done; we have an ending balance of \$4350.28.

Regards,

Juan G Ochoa, Treasurer

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Lasagna Bolognese
Seasonal Vegetables
Caesar Salad
Garlic Bread

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Membership Report JUNE 2023

Membership in attendance:	42
Guest in attendance:	1
Percentage of active members in attendance	51%
Total active members:	81
Members Added:	0
Members Reinstated:	0
Members Dropped	0
Members Resigned	0

Stephen Hellmer-Membership Chairman



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
JULY

Tony Canton Sr.
Raymond L. Honey
Daniel Cole
John A. Coakley
James Escobar
Mike Trujillo
Gene Davenport



July 2023

SIR Speaker

Jeff Berkheimer

Electric Utility Director

City of Lodi

Jeff is a seasoned utility executive with nearly 20 years of experience in the electric utility industry. Having spent 16 years at one of the largest public power utilities in the United States prior to becoming the Utility Director for the City of Lodi's municipal utility, Jeff has extensive experience in nearly every facet of the electric utility industry spanning technical, administrative, regulatory, policy, and operational expertise.

As the head of the electric utility for the City of Lodi Jeff has responsibility for all aspects of utility operations and administration as well as serving as a technical advisor to the City Manager and City Council on all issues related to the electric utility industry. Lodi Electric serves approximately 27,400 electric accounts across a 14 square mile service territory with an annual budget just north of \$100 million dollars.





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 Al Baerwald 1990
 Bill Owen 1991
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 Tom Bandelin 1998
 Frank Garcia 1999
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 Bill Dauer 2002
 Ron Westerterp 2003
 Dave Hinchman 2004-2005
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 Neal W. Welsh 2007
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 Richard Baines 2011-2012
 Al Furr 2013
 Chuck Bennett 2014-2015
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 Bob Gorbet 2017
 Phil Schrock 2018
 Paul Wright 2019-2021