

# The Grapevine

Tokay SIR Branch 145 Newsletter

*A non-profit social organization for men*



**OCTOBER 2024**

## Big Sir OCTOBER 2024 Remarks

Members,

We will have a great meeting this month, as we will have Congressman, Josh Harder, as our guest speaker.

I ask that you call me, and or email me at 209-481-5325, or email [jgochoa@icloud.com](mailto:jgochoa@icloud.com), to RSVP, and or call Mark Wahlman, his phone is: 209-327-7335, his email is: [mwahlman@comcast.net](mailto:mwahlman@comcast.net).

Also, we are scheduling our **Christmas luncheon**, this year it will be held again at Woodbridge CC. The date is Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 11:00 AM. The cost is once again \$35.00 per person, the same as last year. The menu:

House Salad  
Sliced Roasted Turkey with Gravy  
Cranberry Sauce  
Mashed Potatoes  
Traditional Bread Stuffing  
Seasonal Vegetables  
Bread & Butter  
Cheesecake---Pumpkin with Caramel Sauce

Please bring your check book and buy your tickets that we will be selling at our October meeting.

Thank you, for your cooperation in calling to RSVP as we will have to give a head count Elkhorn for the luncheon in October.

Regards,

Juan G Ochoa, Big SIR

209-481-5325 [jgochoa@icloud.com](mailto:jgochoa@icloud.com)

## Speaker Bio for October 2024

**U.S. Representative  
Josh Harder, CA 9<sup>th</sup>  
Congressional District**

Representative Harder was born in Turlock, CA, in 1986 and graduated from Modesto High School. He earned political science and economics undergraduate degrees from Stanford University and a joint MBA/MPP from Harvard Business School and the Kennedy School of Government. (MPP is Master of Public Policy.)

Following a few years working in venture capital, Representative Harder returned to Turlock and was elected to the House of Representatives in 2018. Representative Harder was reelected in 2020 and 2022.

Josh resides in Tracy with his wife Pam and their two-year-old daughter.

Representative Harder last spoke to our group in August 2023.



# Activities

## Dine-Out

Brick House Restaurant

27 W. Elm St., Lodi

Wednesday - October 23, 2024

6PM (Sharp)

Coordinators – Jim & Karen Sowers

RSVP – [kls4144@yahoo.com](mailto:kls4144@yahoo.com)

## Annual Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday – December 11th

Woodbridge Golf & Country Club –

800 Woodbridge Rd.

**\$35 per person**

**Ticket Sales – October SIR Meeting**

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER

Ernie Baca

Ray Schramm

Rod Williams

Rudy Rodriguez

John Gualco

Chuck Siffing

Italian Bolognese  
(Beef and Italian sausage  
lasagna with Bolognese  
sauce)  
Seasonal Vegetables  
Caesar salad-Garlic Bread  
Ice Tea-Coffee-Water  
Mark's Famous Costco  
Chocolate Chip Cookies

Mark's



Financial Report  
SIR Chapter 145  
September 10, 2024

**Starting Bank Balance** \$3422.75

**Income**

Lunch receipts \$ 1170.00  
Raffle Pot \$ 55.00  
Bank Balance from Stockton Branch #46 \$ 611.19  

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**Total Income** \$ 1836.19

**Expenses**

Lunch expenses (one free guests \$26.00) \$ 1170.00  
Newsletter (Temple Gallagher) \$ 117.20  

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**Total Expenses** \$ 1287.20  
**Net Gain/Loss** \$ 548.99  
**Ending Balance** \$3971.71



**Joe Stephens**

SIR Branch #145 Treasurer

twarrior1945@gmail.com 209 992-1020



Membership Report **SEPTEMBER**

Membership in attendance:	42
Guest in attendance:	1
Percentage of active members in attendance	34%
Total active members:	125
Members Added:	35
17 Jon Foucrault	6 Robert Musto
168 Chuck Argus	138 Glenn Nellman
20 Noel Berbano	154 Edwin Oyler
135 Reno Berbano	119 Wally Parsons
30 Frank Campbell	169 John Pena
45 Bob Cossey	70 Whitey Rasmussen
47 Lance Dozier	159 Calvert Rodway
58 Duane Feidberg	96 Tom Rut
9 Edgar Gray	68 Mike Sather
83 John Gualco	170 Epi Sauseda
92 David Haro	161 Angelo Sebazco
86 Gerald Johnson	162 Jim Sepiol
91 Nario Kawai	42 Chuck Siffing
109 Marty Kjelson	171 Bob Stewart
127 Corky Mayer	17 David Stull
136 Greg McCreary	163 Lynn Sutton
5 Bill Morelli	165 Steve Viado
167 Paul Wagner	

Members Reinstated: 0  
Members Dropped: 0  
Members Resigned: 0

***Stephen Hellmer-Membership Chairman***

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HELLO SIRs— We a married SIR from Turlock that would like to find someone to share a cabin for the cruise. He really wants to go but his wife doesn't have any interest. Thanks for your help!

John Cardoza, Travel Area 18, 209-483-7722 cell



ARRANGED BY ALAMO WORLD TRAVEL  
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## 16 NIGHT PANAMA CANAL CRUISE ABOARD THE CORAL PRINCESS

SAILING FROM  
SAN FRANCISCO TO FT. LAUDERDALE  
JANUARY 20-FEBRUARY 5, 2025

### PORTS OF CALL

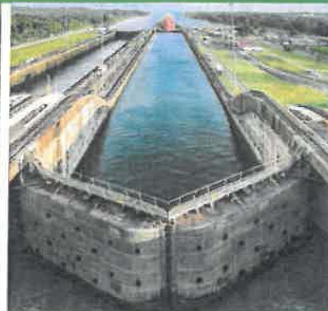
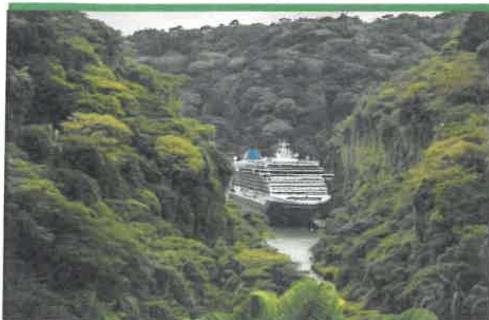
Puerto Vallarta, Mexico/ Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala/ Puntarenas,  
Costa Rica/ Fuerto Amador, Panama/ Full Transit through the historic locks  
and Cartagena, Columbia

### THE CORAL PRINCESS



**\*\*Add the Princess Plus Package for \$960 per person  
Includes: Beverage package, WiFi, Crew appreciation, Premium  
desserts (2 per day), Fitness classes (2 per cruise) and unlimited Juice Bar, 2 Casual  
Dining meals per guest, Room service delivery\*\***

**ESCORTED BY JOHN CARDOZA (209) 483-7722 cell**





**NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR RETIRED MEN**  
**LODI BRANCH #145**  
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LODI, CA 95242

## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

### 2024 OFFICERS

**BIG SIR**  
Juan Ochoa 481-5825

**LITTLE SIR**  
Felix Moran 609-4084

**SECRETARY**  
Anthony Moles 369-8182

**ASST. SECRETARY**

**TREASURER**  
Joe Stephens 992-1020

**ASST. TREASURER**

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Mike Lynn 224-6115  
Bill Rutherford 916-995-6079  
Paul Wright 480-235-6923

**Area State Representative** Richard Provost

#### **2024 Committee Chairman**

**ACTIVITIES**  
Paul Wright 480-235-6923

**ANECDOTALIST**  
Ron Russell 712-6200

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Stephen Helmer 242-4607

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Replacement TBA

**BULLETIN EDITOR**  
Big Sir

**BULLETIN PUBLISHER**  
Temple Gallagher 986-8367

**CHAPLAIN**  
Howard Ferguson 712-1679

**GREETER**

#### **RECOGNITION**

**GOLF**  
Bill Rutherford 916-995-6079  
Mike Lynn 224-6115

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#### **PICNIC**

**PHOTOGRAPHER**  
Paul Wright 480-235-6923

**PROGRAM**  
Felix Moran 609-4084  
Tom Pratt 916-622-4791

**PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN**  
Big Sir

#### **SARGENT AT ARMS**

**SONG LEADER**  
Paul Reiner 366-1811

#### **PHOTOGRAPHER**

#### **TRAVEL & TOURS**

**PAST BIG SIR**

Ruben Moser 1988-1989  
Al Baerwald 1990  
Bill Owen 1991  
Al Cooper 1992  
Earl Klapstein 1993  
Dave Stennick 1994  
Gus Armendariz 1995  
Jerry Kirsten 1996  
Bob McCaffrey 1997  
Tom Bandelin 1998  
Frank Garcia 1999  
Bob Handel 2000  
John Korphage (18) 2000-2001  
Jack Jackson 2001  
Bill Dauer 2002  
Ron Westerterp 2003  
Dave Hinchman 2004-2005  
Paul Reiner 2006  
Neal W. Welsh 2007  
John Mendonca 2008  
Bill Shankles 2009  
George Cameron 2010  
Richard Baines 2011-2012  
Al Furr 2013  
Chuck Bennett 2014-2015  
Jack Johnson 2016  
Bob Gorbet 2017  
Phil Schrock 2018  
Paul Wright 2019-2021  
Mark Walhman 2022-2023