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DECLARATIONS

NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARATION - All activities arranged for or by, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches, are for the convenience and pleasure of the members and their guests who desire to participate, Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, and its Branches do not assume any responsibility for the well being or safety of the participants or their property, in any matters pertaining to said activities. (Rule 345)
Checks, money orders or credit cards for Travel for one day or less (no overnight), where a bus/busses is/are used as the primary means of transportation, may be made payable to the Branch sponsoring the event. All other checks, money orders or credit cards for travel must be made payable to the travel agency. (Rule 429 & 421)
Members are obligated to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale. (Rule 60). REQUIRED ATTENDANCE - A member who misses three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the Branch Attendance Committee giving a valid reason, or who attends less than six (6) regular meetings within the last twelve (12) consecutive month period, may be notified, by letter, of the pending termination of his membership in SIR. (Rule 100 & 107)

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2011 - Al Smith

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Dusty Rhodes - Past Big SIR 1996-2011



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**SONORA
BRANCH #136**

BULLETIN

Sonora SIR Branch #136 will meet at the Elks Lodge on Tuesday April 10th at 11 am. The Executive Board will meet at 10 am at the regular meeting room.

BIG SIR NOTES

Baci Freceri - 532-7704

HAPPY EASTER

Here we are in April and we still have important things to do to keep the club solvent. State Officers feel to stay afloat we need to keep our membership at 10 % gain over our previous month. So far it seems all are trying but, with a little more effort by all members, we could bring in someone new. Our membership count today is approx. 256, so we should be able to bring this number up.. I'm sure we can make this our goal with your help... Today I would like to remind you of our Ladies Day Luncheon coming up...Tickets are on sale and we would like you to pick up yours early so we can get an idea how many to plan for...

See you at the April meeting....Baci

LITTLE SIR NOTES

Bob Bly – 532-4135

Our speaker at the April 2012 lunch will be Craig Pedro, Tuolumne County Administrator. Craig will talk to us about the State of the County, touching on the County budget, status and funding for the Law and Justice Center, and matters relating to the status and potential funding for Railtown and the Mother Lode Fair.

LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

Noah Webster-588-1964

The menu for our April 12th luncheon will be: baked pork chops with mushroom gravy, rice pilaf, green salad with dressings, cake, coffee and water. Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Mothers Day Luncheon.

MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS

It is a new year and our treasurer Frank Taylor is once again collecting your \$20 donations for 2012. You can mail a check to Frank at 19419 North Court, Sonora, CA 95370 or you can pay at the check in desk at our monthly meeting. Be sure to put your member number on the check.

INTERNET, BULLETIN, ROSTER

Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630

sirjerry@sonnet.com



Please feel free to contact me about any changes that are needed in the bulletin or roster, I know it is not perfect. Our branch website is at <http://sonorasirs.org>, be sure to bookmark the site so you can come back and read bulletins, meeting minutes and more.



MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE LINE

If you are not going to be able to attend the regular monthly meeting or if you plan on bringing a guest, please call the Membership Message Line at **536-6311** and leave a message with the information.

GOLF CHAIRMAN

Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee

Jeff Phillips 588-2977

Time to Sign up for the 2012 Carson Valley Golf Getaway (June 3-6): See Tom Nischwitz

The Golf Committee needs your help to run smooth and enjoyable golf tournaments. Here is what we need you to do: - ARRIVE at the tournament at least 20 minutes prior to tee time. - Notify me of playing partner preferences when you sign up -- EACH month. - Register at least ONE WEEK prior to the tournament. - CALL and CANCEL if you can't make it. PLEASE!! Our tournaments will suffer if you don't notify us. - SIGN UP EARLY if you want to be included in the special types of tournament formats. There is no guarantee that you'll be included if you sign up late. Thanks for your cooperation. With your help and suggestions for improvement, we'll have another great year of enjoyable golf tournaments.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

Fee: \$33 includes 1/2 cart & prizes; Bag lunch \$6

PAY FEE WHEN YOU SIGN-UP -CHECKS PREFERABLE

If signing up by telephone, please send check to Jeff Phillips at 14676 Blue Bell Road West, Sonora, CA 95370, payable to SIR's #136 Golf, prior to tournament day;

Check-in table at Mountain Springs will close 15 minutes prior to tee time.

2012 Remaining Golf Tournaments (Please mark your calendars!)

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Shotgun Start time</u>
Tuesday, March 27 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, April 24 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, May 29 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, June 26 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, July 31 st	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, August 28 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, September 25 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, October 30 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, November 27 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, December 18 th	9:30 A.M.

Thanks to Bob Nath for overseeing the February Golf Tournament on Tuesday, February 28th

Mountain Springs Tuesday, February 28th

Closest to the Hole #12 **Closest to the Hole #17**

1 st Place	Bob Nath	6' 2"	Matt Clay	10' 2"
2 nd Place	Melvin. Slife	6' 11"	Phil VanSwoll	14' 8"
3 rd Place	Bob Volpi	17' 1/4"	Bob Nath	15' 3"

Low Net Flight A	Net	Low Net Flight B	Net
First;	Rudy Flores 66	Wayne Dixon	67
Second;	J. Ballesta 68	Bob Volpi	69
Third;	L. Felber 71	Jerry Nielsen	71*

*Won Scorecard Playoff on 1st hole to win 3rd place

The Lighter Side of Golf: It has always been amazing that, with only one good shot in a round, a golfer can justify repeating the insanity over and over again. Anonymous

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Jim Johnson-536- 1595

Applications for membership in Sonora SIR Branch #136 are to be obtained from the Membership Director at the monthly meetings, by telephoning him at 536-1595 and an application form will be mailed, or by downloading the form from our branch website. After the application is completely filled out, it is to be returned to Al Limon with a check for \$30 for processing. Al Limon's address is 15320 Bear Cub Dr., Sonora, 95370.

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

Recent scores (since Feb 20) **Feb 20** - Dennis McKinney 234/594 **Feb 27** - no report

Mar 5 - Jim Pickett 246 and 100 pins over average, Don Banchemo 600 **Mar 12** - Rod Hirtzel 220/606 and John Viera had All Spare game of 183 **Mar 19** - Dennis McKinney 235/632 Standings as of 3-12 Dennis' Gang 18 -10, Team #5 16-12, Hines' Pickles 15.5-12.5 SIR Bill Bowcutt bowled an impressive 245/623 which is his highest game/series ever and his game was 101 pins over book average in Concord SIRS Tournament on Mar 19. Next SIRS tournament is in Carson City (Apr 16-19) followed by one in Pollock Pines (Apr 27-29). Sonora Br 136 has tentative approval for the tournament Aug 6 & 9 High game to date: Bert Abreo 247 High Series to date: Rod Hirtzel 636

RV Club News

Bill Lobdell - 586-7145 Jim Johnson - 536-1595

The SIR RV camping club planned outings in 2012.

April 15th. thru 18th. Gold strike RV park in San Andreas May 14th. thru 16th. At Jackson Rancheria June 19th. thru 23rd. in Carson Valley and the Tahoe area August 17th. thru 30th. We are planning a trip to Yellowstone national park September 12th. thru 16th. Laguna Seca for the Cherry's Jubilee Motor Sports Festival in Monterey October 14th. thru 16th, Cal Expo If anyone is interested in attending one or more of these functions please contact Bill Lobdell 586-7145 or E-mail me at billlobdell@wildblue.net

When Sponsors give applications to prospective members, please tell the applicant to write or print legibly and fill out the application completely.



MOTHER LODE TRAVEL

SCHEDULE

Sonora - Twain Harte - Sierra SIR

Wil Reich - 533-2626

Aug. 18, 2012, depart for Castles along Rhine & Danube. Fly to Budapest, Hungary and embark Budapest on a Deluxe Vantage Cruise Ship. Tour Vienna, Austria, Durnstein, Passau, Germany, Krumlov, Czech Republic, Resgenburg, Nuremberg, Germany, Bamberg, Germany, Wurzburg Germany, Wertheim Germany, Aschaffenburg/Frankfurt Germany, Rudesheim Germany, Cologne Germany, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and return home. All accommodations aboard the ship for 15 days, including Round-Trip International Airfare from select US cities, 45 meals, Captains Welcome with wine, all overseas transfers & baggage handling (except in customs). Cost: \$4499.00 + approx. \$400.00 from SFO to New York.

2013 - August SIR 55th Anniversary

Cruise from San Francisco to Alaska. Detailed information will be available in January, 2012.

PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

Bob Morrison – 588-0994 – robert.mrrsn@yahoo.com

New or old looking for a pastime? Go to web site: www.sirtwain.org, click on pinochle icon. We will teach our rules for playing to any new or "haven't played for some time." We had 10 players (3 from Br. 77, 2 from Br. 136, and 5 from Br. 172) on March 5th at the Moose lodge, and 15 players (4 from Br. 77, 2 from Br. 136, and 9 from Br. 172) on March 15th at the Elk's lodge. We need more players from our branch.

If you know of any of our members who are ill or who have lost a loved one and are in the need of prayer, please contact our Chaplain, Paul Bullman at 588-8614

PLEASE NOTE!

During 2012, our Luncheon Meetings will be held every second Tuesday of the month. Please mark these dates on your calendar. If there are any changes, you will be notified at a Luncheon Meeting or from the bulletin.

The dates are: May 8th, June 12th, July 10th, August 14th, September 11th, October 9th, November 13th, December 11th. If any member changes his mailing address, phone number, P.O. Box number, or returns from inactive status, PLEASE notify an Officer, Director, Committee Chairman, or the Bulletin Editor.