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## DIRECTORY

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### OFFICERS

Big SIR - Al Smith - 586-1124  
Little SIR - Baci Frecceri - 532-7704  
Secretary - John Bristow - 588-8066  
Asst. Secretary - Jerry Stern - 532-6872  
Treasurer - Frank Taylor - 532-4480  
Area 27 Governor - Ed Nissen - Sonora

### DIRECTORS

2nd Year  
Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630 - sirjerry@sonnet.com  
Larry Leatham - 533-8385  
Ken Danz - 532-3858  
1st Year  
Phil VanSwoll - 532-1133  
Jim Ollmann - 586-1847  
Neil Williams - 586-5370

### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & CO-CHAIRMEN

Attendance/Membership - Rick Bacon - 765-8210  
Bowling - Bob Thomas - 962-6207  
Bulletin - Otto Bertel - 586-4697  
Sunshine - Chaplain - Paul Bullman - 588-8614  
Fishing - Bert Maxwell - 588-1177  
Area 27 Golf - Jeff Phillips - 588-2977, Jack Spracklin - 532-4081  
Honorary Life Membership - Al Limon - 533-4944  
House - George Parsons - 533-8637  
Internet - Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630  
Luncheon - Ken Danz - 532-6311  
Lunch Tickets - Neil Williams - 586-5370  
Public Relations - Frank Cimino - 536-0270  
Recruitment Director - Orv Millhollin - 533-0995  
R.V. Travel Group - Bill Lobdell - 586-7145  
Travel - Wil Reich - 533-2626  
Area 27 Fishing Chairman -  
SIR Item Sales - Herman Eaton-532-6036. Jim Stockton-536-1199

### 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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## SONS IN RETIREMENT STATE OFFICERS

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### PRESIDENT

SIR Robert Mannell  
San Jose, CA

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Walnut Creek, CA

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### REGION 3 DIRECTOR

SIR Maynard Rodland  
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### AREA 27 GOVERNOR

SIR Ed Nissen  
Sonora, CA

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### PAST BIG SIRS OF BRANCH #136 SONORA

1996 - Dusty Rhodes  
1997 - Dave Holton  
1999 - Al Limon  
2000 - Bob Gibbs  
2001 - Jim Murray  
2002 - Jim Nuzum  
2003 - Dick Nutting  
2004 - Bill Dunlavy  
2005 - 2006 - Norm Whitsed  
2007 - Wil Reich  
2008 - Roger Milligan  
2009 - Don Nilan  
2010 - Don Banchemo

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### BRANCH #136 HONORARY LIFE AND CHARTER MEMBERS

Elwood Johnson - Branch Secretary 1986-2011  
Baci Frecceri - Travel Chairman 1986-2011  
Otto Bertel - Bulletin Chairman 1986-2011  
Al Limon - Past Big SIR 1992-2011  
Dusty Rhodes - Past Big SIR 1996-2011

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# BULLETIN



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**SONORA  
BRANCH #136**

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## BULLETIN

**Sonora SIR Branch #136 will meet at Railtown Park in Jamestown on Tuesday, Aug. 9th. The Executive Board will meet at 12 Noon on Monday, Aug. 8th in the regular meeting room.**

### BIG SIR NOTES

**Al Smith - 586-1124**

Hello SIR's...First of all I would like to congratulate you on reaching 99% on our contributions. Way to go. The nominating committee has submitted a list of officers and directors for next year. We will vote at the picnic. As many of you know, my wife Janet, and I have finally sold our home after 4 1/2 years on the market and will be relocating to Roseville. We will be at the picnic and my final meeting will be in September. I hope that you all have your reservations for the August picnic. Al Limon and his crew will make sure that you have enough to eat and a good time had by all. The Elks will once again have a no-host bar and there will be plenty of door prizes...see you at Railtown.

### PINOCHLE INVITATION

**Roland Patton - 586-5643**

SIR's from Branch #136 are invited to play Pinochle with SIR's #172 on the **first Monday of each month** at the Moose Lodge, 20921 Longeway Road, Soulsbyville. 12:00 to 4:00 PM. The play start time is 12:30 sharp.

Or - **third Thursday of each month** at the Elk's Lodge, 100 Elk Drive, Sonora. Same time.

Would you like to receive our monthly Pinochle alert and news email? Call Rolad or email: rolandsonora@gmail.com.

Info: www.sirtwain.org

### LUNCHEON CHAIRMAN

**Ken Danz - 532-6311**

At our July meeting we had 158 members and guests in attendance. Our next Luncheon will be the picnic at Railtown Park in Jamestown on Tuesday, August 9th.

### MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

**Rick Bacon - 765-8210**

Applications for membership in Sonora SIR Branch #136 are to be obtained from the Membership Director at the monthly meetings or by telephoning him at 765-8210 and an application form will be mailed. After the application is completely filled out, it is to be returned to the Membership Director for processing.



### 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 Pr. 136 & Br. 77 Golf Committee*

**Jeff Phillips - 588-2977**

**May thru September tournaments will begin with a shotgun start at 8 A.M.**

The Golf Committee needs your help to run smooth and have 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 tournament 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 we'll have another great year of enjoyable golf tournaments.

### TOURNAMENT RULES

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

2. **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.

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

**Big News Tom Nischwitz got a hole in one on the 7th hole at Mountain Spring during our July 26th Tournament!! He hit a 6 iron on this 145 hole. Congratulations Tom!!**

### 2011 Northern California Golf Association Membership

To qualify for the Regional and State SIR's tournaments you must have your NCGA thru a SIR's group. The 2011 NCGA Memberships after Dec 15 are now \$48 for any of you procrastinators out there. For those who do not have a SIR handicap, or a NCGA handicap at all, now is the time to get one.

**SIR Branch 77 Meetings** Bob Nath is the Golf Committee liaison for Br. 77. Bob transferred from Br. 136 and has been part of SIR's 136 Golf for many years. Please see Rob at SIR 77 meeting for any golf related questions.

### September 2011 Tournaments

The scheduled SIR's tournaments in the area are:

Monday, 9/08, Manteca. (#103) 8:00 Shotgun  
Monday, 9/12, Creekside, (#144) 8:00 Shotgun  
Monday, 9/26, Dryden (#ALL) 8:00 Shotgun  
Monday, 9/27, Dry Creek (#143) Annual Year End Tournament  
Tuesday, 9/27, Mountain Springs, (#136) 8:00 Shotgun

### Tournament Results for July 26th, at Mountain Springs.

*Closest to Hole*

Hole #5		Hole #12	
Jack Spracklin	15'4"	Ed Wright	7'1"
Ed Wright	26' 9"	Bob Volpi	15' 1"
Augie Soares	27' 10"	Tom Nischwitz	19' 1"

### 2 Man Team (best of two low net ea. hole)

1st Team of John Dickerson/Ed Wright Net 59

2nd & 3rd - Three Way Tie

Teams of Tom Nischwitz/Jeff Phillips, Al Smith/Jack Parsons, Ray Spruner/Augie Soares

### The Lighter Side of Golf:

They call it golf because all the other 4 letter words were taken - Raymond Floyd

## 13th Annual SIR Branch 136 Family Picnic

Our 11th annual family picnic will again be held at the 1897

Railtown State Park, on Tuesday, August 9th, 2011 in Jamestown.

(Your attendance will be counted as a regular meeting, Big SIR will open a very short

meeting and close just prior to lunch). Activities will start at 11:00 AM, Lunch will be served at 12:30 Noon.

The menu: Santa Maria style beef tri-tip Bar-B-Que prepared by SIR's Jay Harris, Al Limon and crew. Piquito beans, from the Santa Maria/Lompoc Valley, cooked by my sweetheart Marge, tossed salad, corn on the cob by SIR Stu Galka, his better half Sherry, and Randy, my son. Jalapeno salsa and chips will be available. SIR James Mueller will once more provide the music and the public address system. (PS. It's OK to tip Jim for providing us with his services at no cost to Branch 136.) Thanks Jim.

Cost for this Luncheon will be \$12.00 per adult, \$6.00 for children 10 years or under, but you have to purchase your tickets prior to the picnic. Mail your request to SIR Ken Danz, P.O. Box 89, Sonora, CA 95370.

Tickets purchased at the Park will cost: \$14 for adults, \$8:00 for children 10 yrs. and under. Only 400 tickets will be printed and sold so you must buy your tickets before the August picnic meeting in order to avoid paying the higher fee. Thanks to past Big SIR Wil Reich for the picnic tickets. The Elks will provide us with a no-host beer, wine, bloody Mary's, and soft dinks.

Past Big SIR Wil Reich, and his wife Cheryl, SIR Frank Taylor, our treasurer and his wife Arlene will handle door prizes and raffle tickets. Still need help setting up, serving, clean up, and a couple to run the putting contest. To volunteer, contact SIR Al Limon at 533-4944



## MOTHER LODE TRAVEL SCHEDULE

*Sonora - Twain Harte - Sierra SIR*

**Wil Reich - 533-2626**

**Earl Nelson 586-5661**

**Oct. 21st- Nov., 2011,**

Golden Gate Fields - Horse Racing. The price is \$45.00 per person



**Aug. 18, 2012,** Rhine River & Danube River 16 day Cruise. We fly to

Budapest and board the boat for the cruise thru Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, and the Netherlands. Cost is \$4,699.00 pp



**July/August, 2013,** Alaskan

Cruise round trip from San Francisco. This is a State SIR 55th Anniversary trip. The cruise will be 9-11 days and will be July-August of 2013. Cocktail parties, and other activities will be planned. More details later.

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

### INTERNET

**Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630**

**sirjerry@sonnet.com**



Our Branch website is at <http://sonorasirs.com> at any time you like. There are past and current bulletins as well as a link to the state SIR website. Let me know of any changes that need to be made to our roster, such as address and phone numbers.

### PLEASE NOTE!

During 2011, 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: August 9th, September 13th, October 11th, November 8th, and December 6th or 13th. 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.