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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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**SONORA
BRANCH #136**

BULLETIN

Sonora SIR Branch #136 will meet at Railtown State Park, Thursday August 9th at 10am. The Executive Board will meet at 10am, Tuesday August 7th at the Elks Lodge in the regular meeting room.

BIG SIR NOTES

Baci Freceri - 532-7704

Time really goes by...Here it is Aug. and time again for our annual Bar-B-Q. A reminder, in case you didn't read the bulletin last month, that Aug. 9th at Railtown is where it is held.. We lucked out on the date for the affair, as the state has allowed Railtown to stay and operate at least another year. Our Little Sir, Bob has promised a good menu for this year and of course anyone is welcome to help out where needed.. Thanks to our members helping to identify our seniors in the age group of 90-95..I believe there are six in that group to be honored...Let's see a good turn out for this presentation in Sept. Tuesday, Aug. 7th is our board meeting at the Elks at 10 am.. Be sure to purchase the tickets at board meeting or phone Bob Bly at 532-4125 in case you haven't done so already..

Hope to see a large turnout at Railtown on Aug 9th

LITTLE SIR NOTES

Bob Bly – 532-4135

Things are going well for our upcoming Barbecue Picnic at Railtown, Thursday, August 9, 10:00 AM for schmoozing and munching. Lunch will be at Noon, hamburgers, hot dogs, corn, chili beans, potato salad, cookies and watermelon. Beer, wine and soft drinks will be provided by the crew from the Elk's Club, as per usual. And you can bring your own if you want to. We will be raffling a few donated prizes, so come with a little extra to buy a few raffle tickets. To date, we have about 75-80 who have bought tickets. A bit on the low side, so we will be letting people buy tickets (\$12) at the gate, but I would appreciate having you call me ASAP, so I can plan on enough food. We hope to see you at the picnic.

LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

Noah Webster-588-1964

The menu for our Railtown BBQ is Hamburgers & Hot Dogs with Chili Beans, Corn, Potato Salad, Watermelon, & Cookies

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 Jim Johnson with a check for \$30 for processing. Jim's address is 12660 Red Chestnut #32, Sonora, Ca. 95370.

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. Our branch website is at sonorasirs.org, be sure to bookmark the site so you can read bulletins, meeting minutes and there is a link to the state SIR website.

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. Be sure to include your badge number and why you cannot attend. Please talk slowly and clearly.



MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

Our treasurer Frank Taylor is collecting your \$20 contributions for 2012. If paying by check put your member number on the check.

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

GOLF CHAIRMAN

Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee

Jeff Phillips 588-2977

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 Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs (Please mark your calendars!)

Day/Date	Shotgun Start time
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.

Mountain Springs – June 26th, 2012

Closest To Hole

#7	#12
Scott Hardin 10"	Augie Soares 3' 1/2"
Jeff Phillips 10' 4 3/4"	Sam Castle 7' 6"
Tom Nischwitz 23"4"	Rudy Flores 14' 8"

Team Winners:

(2 best low net per hole) Four Man Team Winners

1st Wayne Dixon/Sam Castle/John Dickerson/Victor Carella
37 under Par (107)

2nd Dennis Land/Keith Tucker/Dick Nutting/Augie Soares
35 under Par (109)

3rd Rudy Flores/Bob Volpi/Mike Clay/Melvin Slife
32 under Par (110)

The Lighter Side of Golf: Ben Hogan, besieged by a youthful amateur playing partner who constantly inquired about what club he was hitting on the previous 17 holes, proceeded to empty every club from his bag, and, from 180 yards out, hit every one either on or close to the green, moving on without another word.

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

Winter season bowling is just a mere two months away. In the meantime, there are some tournaments that you can do Aug 6 or 9 - Black Oak - come out and support our tournament, if you do no others! Aug 20-21-22 - Reno, NV Think about practicing and getting back on track.

PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

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

Beat the heat and join us for fun playing pinochle in air-conditioned facilities. New players play for free for their first two sessions. We will help train those who have never played before or haven't played for a while. We have been averaging 10 to 12 players per session and would like to see more players from our branch. For more information, go to web site www.sirtwain.org and click on the pinochle icon. We had 14 players (3 from Br. 77, 3 from Br. 136, 7 from Br. 172, and one guest) on July 2nd at the Moose Lodge and 9 players (3 from Br. 77, 2 from Br. 136, 4 from Br. 172) on July 19th at the Elk's Lodge.



MOTHER LODE TRAVEL SCHEDULE

**Sonora - Twain Harte - Sierra SIR
Wil Reich - 533-2626**

" SALUTE TO SIR" day at the Races

Horse Races at Golden Gate Fields October 19, 2012.

Coffee, Donuts, O.J& Champagne, will be ready at 7 a.m. for your pleasure prior to boarding the bus at 8 am at Block Buster's parking lot. Cost is \$75 per person, and includes bus trip, admission & reserve seating in Turf Club, daily racing program, Turf Club Buffet, snacks, wine & water on bus Tax/ Tips, and 1 picture with named SIR race winning jockey & horse for 4 persons who get the winning number in our drawing. Bus returns to Sonora about 7 p.m

SIR 55th ANNIVERSARY CRUISE

August 28 to September 7, 2013

Bus picks us up in Sonora about 10 a.m. on August 28, and returns us back to Sonora on September 7 about 1 p.m. We board the Princess " GRAND PRINCESS" at 4 p.m. in San Francisco at on August 28,2013, and return at 7 am on 9-7-2013. The cost range is from \$1,576.00 for inside room to \$2415.00 balcony, to \$3300.00 for mini suite with balcony. This is an inclusive cruise covering all costs, and including Alaska Salmon Bake Excursion, Gold Panning (both with wine) Captains Party, \$25.00 ship credit, Cocktail Party, Bottle of Wine & Gift in each room, and a SIR Hospitality Area.

Note: A reduced deposit is being offered when submitting your application during July 9 - July 23,2012, & August 13 - 20, 2012. The \$450.00 deposit is reduced to \$100.00 for these early bird dates. Deposits are refundable up until final payment date, which is, may 23, 2013. A \$380.00 coupon booklet comes with early bird applications. For information call Wil Reich 533-2626 for Branches 77-136-172

RV Club News

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

The next outing will be to the Monterey Fairgrounds RV Park in September and will be hosted by Jack and Rosie Walls. We will be attending the Monterey Italian Festival and taking in the sights around beautiful Monterey. If you are interested in attending the Monterey outing or would like to join the RV Group, please call Bill Lobdell at 586-7145.

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 August 9th, 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.