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NON RESPONSIBILITY DECLARTION - 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). REOUIRED 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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2012 - Baci Frecceri

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# **BULLETIN**



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**SONORA BRANCH #136** 

# BULLETIN

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

# **BIG SIR NOTES** Phil VanSwoll - 532-1133

Our Little Sir, John Bristow, did a really fine job in planning and coordinating the Mothers Day luncheon. We served over 150 great Prime Rib and Salmon entrees, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. At our May board meeting, a motion was made by Dale Decker and approved by the board to award a free lunch to any member who has a guest join our branch. The lunch will be awarded only on the day the new member is installed – no "carryovers" will be allowed. In other words, you must be present to install your new member to get the free lunch. Just another way we can say "thank you" for encouraging your friends and neighbors to join our great organization.

# LITTLE SIR NOTES John Bristow - 588-8066

The Ladies Day Luncheon was a Great Success and the participation was excellent. Thanks to all those who took part. In spite of what we are now allowed to do with regards to raffles etc. we came up with a new twist. Hope everyone enjoyed it and got what they deserved. We served 158 lunches and I only had 1 or 2 complaints not bad. The SIR Picnic for August is confirmed at Railtown and we have to start thinking about what we can do to make it interesting. The date will be August 13th. Thanks again.

# LUNCHEON DIRECTOR Rick Bacon - 765-8210

The menu for June is BBQ Sirloin steak, baked potato, green salad, Ranch and Italian dressing, rolls and butter, ice cream, coffee and water.

#### MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS

It is a new year and our treasurer Frank Taylor is once again collecting your \$20 donations for 2013. 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.

#### 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 DIRECTOR **Dale Decker - 533-0455**

Applications for membership in Sonora SIR Branch #136 are to be obtained from the Membership Director at the monthly meetings, by telephoning him at 533-0455 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 Dale Decker with a check for \$30 for processing. Dale's address is 10338 Slate Rim Rd, Sonora, CA 95370.

## **GOLF CHAIRMAN**

# Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee Jeff Phillips 588-2977

Reminder: Carson Valley Golf Getaway deposits to Tom Nischwitz are now past due!

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:

- 1) Fee: \$33 includes ½ 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 payable to SIR's #136 Golf, prior to tournament day. (See Roster page 28 for address).

- 3) Check-in table at Mountain Springs will close 15 minutes prior to tee time.
- 2013 Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs (mark your calendars)

Day/Date Shotgun Start time Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00 A.M. Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00 A.M. Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 8:00 A.M. Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 8:00 A.M. Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 9:30 A.M. Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> 9:30 A.M. Tuesday, December 31st 9:30 A.M. April 30<sup>th</sup> Tournament at Mountain Springs Golf Course

Hole # 5: 1<sup>st</sup> Team Bartlett(6'8"));

2<sup>nd</sup> Team Spracklin;(14'2"); 3<sup>rd</sup> Team Tucker(17'1")

1<sup>st</sup> Team Clay (5'11"); Hole # 12:

2<sup>nd</sup> Team Laureta (21'11");

3<sup>rd</sup> Team Volpi (24'4")

4 Man Best Ball Results – Florida Scramble

1<sup>st</sup> Melvin Slife/Mike Clay/Ken Kirkland (net 57!)

2<sup>nd</sup> Danny Laureta /Tom Nischwitz/Jim Hagel/Keith Tucker (net 59)

3<sup>rd</sup> Phil VanSwoll/Bob Nath/Trini Mercado/Ken Bartlett (net 60)

The lighter side of Golf:

CTH Results

After several attempts to get his approach shot to stay on a slick table top green the golfer turned to his playing partner and said in frustration, "nobody can hit this green!". Just that moment a lightning bolt shot down from the heavens and made a direct bead on that very green. The caddy turned to the pair of startled golfers and said "God can."

# MOTHER LODE TRAVEL **SCHEDULE**

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

The Sacramento River Cats are having 2 SIRs Days at Raley Field - Sat., July 13 & Mon., Aug. 26. They'll be playing the Fresno Grizzlies both days.

Unfortunately for us, the games don't start until 7 PM, so the drive home would be after dark unless you stay overnight. Prices are \$17 & \$16 respectively.

Based on the lack of response for the Giants game, we wouldn't have enough people to afford a bus, but if any of you are interested in getting a small group together let me know. I don't plan to go, but I'll share the names of any who are interested.

Remember that today is the day for final payment for the Alaska Cruise. It appears that we have 20+ couples from our local 3 chapters signed up.

HAPPY TRAVELS!

# PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

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

By paying only \$3 each time we meet, you can get great entertainment by playing pinochle with us. If you haven't played before or for a while, we will train you in our rules. A new player plays free for his first two meetings and wins a \$10 prize if his total score in his free meetings is in the top 50%. If a player's total score for a meeting is either first or second highest, he wins a prize, but if it's lowest, he gets his \$3 back. You need not attend every meeting. We meet on the 1st Mon. of each month at the Moose Lodge and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. at the Elks Lodge. We have about 12 to 14 players per meeting. For more information, go to web site www.sirtwain.org and click on the pinochle icon.

# **RV Club News**

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

The RV Group's May outing was to Duck Island RV Resort on the Sacramento River in Rio Vista. Even though the wind was stronger than normal, some spent time fishing while the ladies made the trip to the Vacaville outlets shopping. Jack Walls caught the most and largest fish. The wind did cause one casualty, Earl Randell fell and broke his hip and ended up in the hospital in Lodi. Our resident BBQ Chef Ron Long cooked up some great salmon and cod for dinner on Wednesday and we dinned out at an excellent steak house in Isleton on Tuesday. One of our new members John Avila made the observation that the group seems to plan the outings around food and good places to eat. That isn't totally true, we drink a little also. In the end all, except Earl, had a good time. The June outing will be at the Betable RV Park in San Juan Bautista. SIRs Members that have a RV and would like to join us, please give Bill Lobdell a call at 209 586-7145.

#### PLEASE NOTE!

During 2013, 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 June 11th, July 9th, August 13th, September 10th, October 8th, November 12th, December 10th.. 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.