



BULLETIN

June 2016

Website: sonorasirs.org

SONORA BRANCH #136

**Sonora SIR Branch #136
will meet at the Sonora Elks
Lodge on
Tuesday, June 14th
Starts at Noon
(Social Hour Starts at 11:00 am)
The Branch Executive Committee
meets at 10:00 am
in the main dining area.**



MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE LINE

**If you are not able to attend
the regular monthly meeting
or are bringing a Guest
please call the Membership
Message Line at**

536 - 6311

**No Later Than Noon on the
Sunday Before the Luncheon
Meeting!**

**and leave a clear message
with your NAME & BADGE
#, GUEST NAME and the
reason you will not be able to
attend if applicable.**



BIG SIR NOTES

Dale Decker - 533-0455

Our 2016 Annual Ladies Day Luncheon has come and gone and our Little Sir Danny Laureta did a great job! Once again we had great attendance, great food and outstanding music. Of special note was a new method Danny implemented which allowed individuals to place tickets in baskets in front of prizes they would like to win. Then the winning ticket was drawn and attached to the prize for a announcement later. This proved to be very efficient and much faster than previous methods.

Our next special event occurs on August 9th with our annual SIR family picnic that will be held this year at the Indigeny Reserve - a lush 160 acre preserve and apple orchard set in the breathtaking hills of Sonora. Tickets will be on sale at our June and July luncheons.

In April our active membership for the year was 208. For June it will be reported to the BEC that we've since had one member resign and another placed on the inactive list. However, we will be installing four new members at our June luncheon so our active membership should be 210 less there be any last minute changes.

Last month I reported that our three local branches (77, 136 and 172) had a SIR Information booth at the April 9/10 Home & Garden Show that generated a lot of interest. We are now starting to receive a few serious inquiries in regards to this which hopefully will result in some more new members.

Rex Page, our Director of Membership Growth, has now made arrangements for us to have another SIR Information booth on June 8th: The Friends and Neighbors Magazine is partnering with the Commission on Aging to hold a F & N Expo (formerly Senior Expo) from noon to 7:00 pm at the Motherlode Fairgrounds. The Expo will focus on providing resources and social connections to people 50 and older.

Since we are a social organization this could prove to be very fruitful to our membership efforts.

SIR Members Only Classified Ads!

Unfortunately, I did not receive anything for our new SIR Members Only Classified Ads the last two months after announcing this. Therefore, it is now cancelled!



LITTLE SIR NOTES

Danny Laureta - 586-4567

Our 2016 Annual Lady's Day Luncheon has come and gone. We had great attendance, great food, wine, music and a memorable time. From what I observed and have been told that it was beautiful, colorful and a big success.

A special THANK YOU to the following: 1) Special Events Committee - Dick Aberle, John Vieira, Roger Swartz and Jake Parsons. 2) Ladies Day Luncheon Assistance - Jerry Erath and his house committee, Eddie Toews, Paul Squeri, Bill Lobdell, Steve Gregory, Rex Page, Jerry Bellefeuille, Dale Decker & Jim Johnson. 3) And for the colorful table arrangement - Pat Padavana, Judy & Rich Milano, Marcia & Rich Rinaldi, Glenda Ross, Annalie Squeri, Janis & Don Banchemo. There was multitude of prizes for our drawing; Cash and purchased items in the amount of \$340 and many gifts donated by our members and their spouses (some of which were handmade). A special lady's only drawing (white tickets) for the ladies present which we plan to continue every year. My special thanks to those members and their spouses for their generous donations: Larry Guzman, Eddie Toews, Gene Deaver, Jake Parsons, John Bristow, Bert Maxwell, Bill Dunlavy, James Lewis, Dick Aberle and Dale Decker.

Our next special event occurs on Tuesday August 9th with a 'Summer Family BBQ Picnic' that will be held at Indigeny Reserve, 14679 Summers Lane, Sonora, CA. This will be a 'Family Event' with St. Louis Style BBQ Ribs or BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Beans, Corn in a Cob, Dessert & Bottled Water. Cost is \$12 per person, and since this is a family event, children 12 and under are FREE with Hot Dogs and fixins. So bring the grandchildren if you can! Tickets will be on sale at our June and July meetings.

Our June Luncheon guest speaker will be Debbie Schug. She is the Program Manager of the Area 12 Agency on Aging of Tuolumne County.



GOLF CHAIRMAN

**Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee
Paul Padavana - 532-8051
Asst Jeff Phillips - 588-2977
Handicap Tom Nischwitz-694-8624**

Here are the results of the May tournament held on May 17th.

Flight A: 1st place - 66 - Bob Nath (blind hole tie breaker)

2nd place - 66 - Dennis Land (blind hole tie breaker)

3rd place - 66 - Chace Anderson

Flight B: 1st place - 68 - Tom Neiderer

2nd place - 70 - Joe Zertuche (blind hole tie breaker)

3rd place - 70 - Dick Nutting

Closest to hole: #5:

1st place - Rudy Flores - 33'1/2"

2nd place - Dan Cassaro - 48'

Closest to hole #12:

1st place - Dick Nutting - 7'1"

2nd place - Mike Dolan - 10'6"

3rd place - Keith Tucker - 11'9 1/2"

The next SIRS 136 / 77 Golf Tournament is scheduled for June 23rd at Castle Oaks Golf Course. Shotgun start time is 10:00 AM.

Sign-up and fees (\$48.00) must be in by June 17th (no later). Contact Paul Padavana at paulp_57@yahoo.com or 209-532-8051. The format for this tournament will be Two-man Bestball.

Also, there is no Skins Game in June.

The next Skins Game will be held on July 5th at Mountain Springs Golf Course. Start time is 8:00 AM. Contact Jeff Phillips at jeffphillipsq@yahoo.com or 209-588-2977.

The Skins golf tournament, after skipping June due to travel conflicts, will resume every first Tuesday of the month from July through November. Come on out for a fun time!



June Birthdays:

Brown, Larry	6/6
Spruner, Ray	6/6
Bellefeuille, Jerry	6/8
Newell, Tom	6/11
Clay, Matt	6/12
Krawchuk, Dave	6/14
Chernoff, Nicholas	6/17
Nischwitz, Tom	6/17
Reinhart, Paul	6/17
Decker, Dale	6/19
Miller, John	6/19
Schuler, Bill	6/21
Banchero, Don	6/22
Peluso, Serge	6/22
Youngborg, Monty	6/22
Kangas, Herbert A.	6/28
Morales, Gene	6/29
Teal, Ben	6/29



RV CLUB NEWS

Knute Kleinen - 694-8866

John Avila - 586-1992

The May RV outing was hosted by Chuck and Kathie Price, Bill and Peggy Guenza. at French Camp. We had sixteen happy campers with the weather just perfect for both outside sitting around and story telling. We also had a large club room which was used for meals, play the RV card game and breakfast. The use of the pool was also enjoyed.

Unfortunately, the golf course was not open, but we did have a Bocce Ball tournament. On Tuesday night some of the group went to the local restaurant for a night of clubbing! What the band didn't make up in good music they made up in volume, however some of the group did make it to the dance floor to show their dancing skills. Overall fun was had by all. The next outing will be in Gilroy where Ron and Bernie Long (209) 586-1838, John and Dianne Avila (209) 586-1992 will be our hosts, if you have not signed up make sure you fill out the sign up sheet at the June lunch or contact them direct ASAP.



THEATER AND DINNER COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

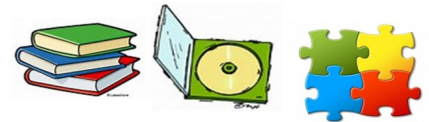
Monty Youngborg - 588-9632

Our second play for our Sir Branch 136 was "Hank Williams: Lost Highway" which was seen at the Fallon House in Columbia on May 4th. A photo showing 12 of our members who attended the play is in the photo below. Everyone really

enjoyed the play. Those attending the play are: Monty & Dana Youngborg, Bert Maxwell & his Fiancé Carolyn Matthews, Herman & Donna Eaton, Chuck & Francesca Simons, Bill & Mary Leu Dunlavy and Dale & Leah Decker.

Our next play, "Cyrano" a romantic comedy set in 17th century France. The play will be at the East Sonora Theater. We will see it on September 23rd at the 2:00 PM matinee. It should be great fun.

I will make the announcement for this play in the August and September bulletin. We will get a discount if we have 20 or more people attending the play.



NEW ACTIVITIES

Jeff Phillips - 588-2977

The media exchange program, after a brief pause for the Mother's Day luncheon, resumes in June and July for our members summer viewing and reading enjoyment. Special thanks to Trini Mercado for pitching in while I am traveling. Keep bringing in your books movies and music to share.



PINOCHLE

Bob Morrison—588-0994

robert.mrrsn@yahoo.com

We are looking for more players, so please join us. If you don't know how to play; we will train you. Come only when you want to. You will be playing with SIR members from all our three branches. It's a great way to spend an afternoon. You play free for your first two meetings. Thereafter, you pay only \$3 each meeting. (Where else can you have fun so cheaply?) You win a prize if your score at the end of the meeting is one of the

three highest. Moreover, you win \$10 if you score in the top 50% at a free meeting. We meet at the Pine Tree Restaurant from noon to 4:30 PM each Monday. We have lunch starting at noon and start playing at 1:00 PM. For more information, go to web site www.sirtwain.org and click on the pinochle icon. Below are three tables showing the results of the scores for our pinochle sessions. The first table lists the average score of each player based on the number of sessions played in May. The second lists the weekly first place winners and their scores for May. The third lists the SIR branch average scores for January through May.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bill Lobdell - 586-7145

April Membership

Total Active Members	208
Luncheon Attendance (71%)	147
Excused Absences (56%)	34

Ladies Day Luncheon in May, No Change

June Membership

April Active Membership	208
Applicants Being Installed	4
Active Members Lost	2
Active Membership Outlook	210



INTERNET CHAIRMAN

Jerry Bellefeuille -533-3630

Our Branch website is at sonorasirs.org. Here you will find our bulletins past and present, activity schedules, BEC meeting minutes, a link to the state SIR website, and much more. If you have any updates to our roster please let me know.



FISHING CHAIRMAN

Chuck Simons - 770-5298

simons4890@yahoo.com

On June 16th around 7:00 a.m., the Twain Harte SIRS Fishing Group will have another local outing. This month will be at Lake Don Pedro. We will likely launch at Blue Oaks as Moccasin Point ramp is still unimproved gravel. We will join up for lunch around 12 noon at a place to be determined later. For more information, you can call me (209) 770-5928 or email me simons4890@yahoo.com. I will be fishing with Bert Kronnick from the Twain Harte SIRS. Whatever you would like to fish for is fine, bass, trout, just fish on your own and meet for lunch and share your stories of the day. Hope to see you there.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications for membership in Sonora SIR Branch #136 are to be obtained from the Membership Director at the monthly meetings, by telephoning him at 586-7145 (and an application form will be mailed to you), or by downloading the form from our branch website. After the application is filled out, it is to be returned to Bill Lobdell with a check for the amount stated on the application. Bill's address is 17022 Broken Pine Rd. Sonora, CA 95370.



BULLETIN INPUT

NOTICE!

Jim Botto Editor - 586-0822

Asst. Jerry Bellefeuille 533-3630

I want to take this opportunity to thank the committee chairman who send in their reports to me on or before the deadline. If I do not receive your report by the deadline it will not be published in the current month.

Please send all bulletin input to Jim Botto at

giacamo42@gmail.com

The deadline for the next bulletin is

Thursday, June 30th



BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo - 736-4804

murabreo@comcast.net

No bowling report was received this month

The new edition of SIR

“Happenings” is now available at:

<http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings>

**Happy
Father's
Day!**

May 2016		
Player	Branch	Average
4 Monday Session Players		
Mike Schmidt	172	359
Al De Neveu	136	339
Del Rotelli	77	260
Henry Beltran	172	234
Player	Branch	Average
3 Monday Session Players		
Dave Goldember	172	376
Sonny Tome	77	370
Tom Newell	136	359
Bill Burnes	136	316
Bob Morrison	136	224
Bert Kronnick	77	193
John Johnson	172	103
Player	Branch	Average
2 Monday Session Players		
Art Bartee	172	375
Jerry Kopyn	172	212
Player	Branch	Average
1 Monday Session Players		
Dick Robinson	172	438
Jerry Morrow	172	398
Roland Patton	172	194

Weekly First Place Winners			
Date	Score	Player	Branch#
2-May-16	448	Mike Schmidt	172
9-May-16	398	Jerry Morrow	172
16-May-16	542	Sonny Tome	77
23-May-16	347	Mike Schmidt	172

SIR vs SIR vs SIR	
Branch Average Scores - Jan thru May 2016	
Branch	Score
172	287
136	277
77	263





Sons in Retirement #136

Summer Family BBQ Picnic

August 9th 2016

Indigeny Reserve
14679 Summers Lane
Sonora, CA



Directions to Indigeny (please try to carpool)

- Drive north on Greenley Road and **TURN RIGHT** onto Lyons Bald Mountain Road
- Drive ~4 miles, **GO PAST** the Apple Valley Estates sign
- You will see and pass the sign **NARROW BRIDGE**
- Reach Apple Valley Ranches,
- **TURN RIGHT at Apple Hill Drive**
- Veer **LEFT at Summers Lane**
- Continue on Summers Lane (~1 mile) drive thru the covered bridge

Social Time
@ 10:00 am
Lunch @ Noon

Menu:

St. Louis Style BBQ Ribs
-or- BBQ Chicken
with Potato Salad,
Beans, Corn in a Cob,
Dessert & Bottled Water

\$12 per Person

Tickets will be on sale at the
June & July Luncheons

Children 12 & Under **FREE**
Hot Dogs with fixins

EVENTS COMMITTEE

Danny Laureta 586-4567
Dick Aberle Jake Parsons
John Vieira Jim Turner
Rex Page

SIR STATE OFFICERS

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VICE-PRESIDENT: Sir Jerry Strain

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TREASURER: Sir Karl Ryden

REGION 2 DIRECTOR

Jerry Morrow, Twain Hart, Ca

AREA 27 GOVERNOR

Sir Jim Johnson, Sonora, CA

PAST BIG SIRS - BRANCH #136 SONORA

- 1997 - Dave Holton/1999 - Al Limon
- 2000 - Bob Gibbs/2002 - Jim Nuzum
- 2003 - Dick Nutting/2004 - Bill Dunlavy
- 2007- Wil Reich/2008- Roger Milligan
- 2009 - Don Nilan/2010 - Don Banchemo
- 2011 - Al Smith/2013 - Phil VanSwoll
- 2014 - John Bristow - 2015 - Jim Johnson

BRANCH #136 HONORARY LIFE

MEMBERS

- Al Limon - Past Big SIR 2000
- Bill Dunlavy - Past Big SIR 2007
- Frank Taylor - Treasurer 2001-2015
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- Big SIR: Dale Decker 533-0455
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DIRECTORS

First Year

- Paul Squeri 586-4084
- Jeff Phillips 588-2977
- Monty Youngborg 588-9632
- Bill Lobdell 586-7145

Second Year

- Rex Page 533-4501
- Dick Aberle 532-4066
- Jim Botto 586-0822

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & CO-CHAIRMEN

- Activities: Jeff Phillips 588-2977
- Attendance Membership - Bill Lobdell 586-7145
- BEC Advisor—Al Limon 533-4544
- Bowling - Bert Abreo 736-4804
- Branch Photographer - Steve Belochi 533-5315
- Bulletin - Jim Botto 586-0822
- Caterer - Dean Papapetrou
- Fishing - Bert Kronnick-586-7726
Chuck Simons -532-9550
- Golf - Paul Padavana 532-8051
Tom Nischwitz 694-8624
Jeff Phillips 588-2977
- Hon. Life Membership - Al Limon 533-4944
- House - Open
- Internet - Jerry Bellefeuille 533-3630
- Lunch Tickets - Roger Swartz 533-0376
- Luncheon - Rick Bacon 765-8210
- Luncheon Drawing - Bill Dunlavy 533-7601
Bert Maxwell 588-1177
- Membership Growth - Rex Page 533-4501
- Nominating Committee Chairman -
Phil VanSwoll 532-1133
- Pinocle - Bob Morrison 588-0994
- Propane - Marty Martin 586-1886
- Asst. Prop. - Al Limon 533-4544
- Public Relations - Ray Bailey 532-0444
- R.V. Travel Group - Knute Kleinen 694-8866
Asst. John Avila 586-1992
- Senior Member Awards - Jim Johnson 536-1595
- SIR Item Sales - Cecil Steen 533-4760
- Sunshine - Chaplain - Steve Gregory 533-0309
- Travel - Paul Halek Branch #172 352-7399

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).

June 14th

Luncheon Menu

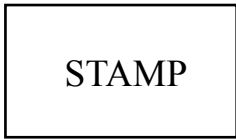
Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes and Gravy,
Green Beans, Green Salad,
Strawberry Short Cake

Guest Speaker

Debbie Schug

She is the Program Manager of the Area 12 Agency on Aging of Tuolumne County.

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