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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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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 March. 13th at 11 am. The Executive Board will meet at 10 am at the regular meeting room.

BIG SIR NOTES

Baci Freceri - 532-7704

St. Patrick's is upon us again and I'm sure we have many Irish descendants (some or all) in our club, so to all them and those who celebrate, Happy St. Patrick's Day! All though we started the year with positions to fill things turned around and our members stepped up to help us out. Thanks again to all that filled these positions. We now have a new chairman for the Bulletin, luncheon, bowling and possibly Travel. The donations are coming in and doing well. Have a fun and safe ST. Patrick's Day!

LITTLE SIR NOTES

Bob Bly – 532-4135

Our speaker at the March 2012 lunch will be Roy Gray, a member of the Twain Harte SIR Branch 172. Following his graduation from High School, Roy was an active glider pilot and instructor in Ontario, Canada, from 1957-1967. He has logged over 800 hours flying gliders, setting two Canadian records for distance flown. He will talk to us about his glider experiences.

LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

Ken Dantz - 532-3858

The menu for March 13th luncheon meeting will be: Corned beef and cabbage, red potatoes, baby carrots, pasta salad, vinaigrette, rolls and butter, cookies, coffee and water.

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.

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



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.

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.

In Memoriam

We lost one of our own. Jim Stockton passed away from cancer. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his wife Connie.

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.**

SIR BRANCH 77 MEETINGS

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

2012 Remaining Golf Tournaments (Please mark your calendars!)

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Shotgun Start time</u>
Tuesday, February 28 th	9:30 A.M.
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.

Bob Nath will be overseeing the February Golf

Tournament on Tuesday, February 28th

Mountain Springs – January 31st, 2012

Closest to the hole (note: golf chairman forgot to setup hole #7 oops!) Hole #12

1st Place Augie Soares 7' 9 1/2"

2nd Place Dennis Land 32' 4"

3rd Place Phil Van Swoll 35' 6 1/2"

Team Results: 3 man team Assigned Hole/scramble

First; Rudy Flores / Bob Volpi / Augie Soares 136 *

Second; Wayne Dixon / Sam Castle 136 **

Third; Bob Nath / John Dickerson / Phil VanSwoll 136

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

**Won Scorecard Playoff on 2nd hole to win 2nd place

The Lighter Side of Golf:

One good thing about being an aging golfer: It's easier to hit the ball out of sight!

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.

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

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

Recent scores (since January 9)

Jan 9 - Rod Hirtzel 229/591

Jan 23 - Don Banchemo 236/587, Bob Ferraro 593

Jan 30 - Bob Ferraro 224, Gerry Davis 543

Feb 13 - Bert Abreo 247/620

Standings as of 2-13 Team #5 12-4, Jim's Jokers 10-6

High game to date: Bert Abreo 247

High Series to date: Rod Hirtzel 636



MOTHER LODE TRAVEL

SCHEDULE

Sonora - Twain Harte - Sierra SIR

Wil Reich - 533-2626

April 15-21, 2012, SPRING TIME IN BRANSON

7 Shows, Silver Dollar City, Lake Taneycomo Cruise & Showboat Belle. Air from Sacramento to Branson, bus transportation from Sonora, baggage handling, tips and taxes, and breakfast and dinner each day included for \$1695.00 per person.

See Presleys Jubilee, Yakov live, The Baldnobbers, Bret Family, and Shoji Tabuchi along with a choice of a dozen shows at Silver Dollar City with your friends from Sons in Retirement.

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.

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: April 10th, 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.