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## DIRECTORY

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### OFFICERS

Big SIR - Baci Frecceri - 532-7704  
Little SIR - Bob Bly - 532-4135  
Secretary - John Bristow - 588-8066  
Asst. Secretary - Jerry Stern - 532-6872  
Treasurer - Frank Taylor - 532-4480  
Asst. Treasurer - Gerald Abbott - 694-0323  
Area 27 Governor - Ed Nissen-Sonora

### DIRECTORS

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Jim Ollman 586-1847  
Neil Williams 586-5370  
1st Year Herman Eaton 532-6036  
Keith Kofoed 532-3707  
Jerry Erath 533-3791

### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN & CO-CHAIRMEN

Attendance/Membership - Jim Johnson - 536-1595  
Bulletin - Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630  
Sunshine - Chaplain - Paul Bullman - 588-8614  
Fishing Jim Nuzum - 533-2729  
Area 27 Golf - Jeff Phillips - 588-2977, Jack Spracklin - 532-4081  
Honorary Life Membership - Al Limon - 533-4944  
House - Jerry Erath - 533-3791  
Internet - Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630  
Luncheon - Noah Webster - 588-1964  
Lunch Tickets - Neil Williams - 586-5370  
Public Relations - Frank Cimino - 536-0270  
Bowling - Bert Abreo - 736-4804  
R.V. Travel Group - Bill Lobdell - 586-7145  
Travel - Wil Reich - 533-2626  
SIR Item Sales - Cecil Steen - 533-4760  
Pinochle - Bob Morrison - 588-0994

### 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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SIR James Stedman  
Walnut Creek, CA

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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  
2011 - Al Smith

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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



Website: [sonorasirs.org](http://sonorasirs.org)

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Promotion  
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**SONORA  
BRANCH #136**

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## BULLETIN

Sonora SIR Branch #136 will meet at the Elks Lodge on Tuesday, November 13th. The Executive Board will meet at 10 AM in the regular meeting room.

### BIG SIR NOTES

**Baci Freceri - 532-7704**

Welcome to our new members. Now that you have your badges, you are official. The end of the year is close and we are looking forward to our Christmas Ladies luncheon. The tickets are ready and on sale now to be picked up at the November meeting or you may call the number on the flyer and they will come in the mail.. Our compliments to our Little Sir Bob for booking a very interesting speaker at the Oct. luncheon.. As usual, Dino's Ribs were outstanding. The Club is really lucky to have him cooking for us. Hope to see you at the November meeting .Call if unable to attend....

### LITTLE SIR NOTES

**Bob Bly – 532-4135**

Our upcoming November luncheon will be November 13. Our speaker will be Ray Emerald, Softball Coach at Summerville High School. Ray will talk to us about Character and Ethics in sports, and his thoughts on why we have athletic programs in high school. VFW Post 3154 will honor Veterans Day with a Color Guard and demonstration of the flag folding ceremony.

### MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

We still have some members who have not made their \$20 2012 contributions. Our treasurer Frank Taylor is eager to hear from you. If paying by check put your member number on the check.

### LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

**Noah Webster-588-1964**

Our November luncheon menu is Cornish Game Hen, Rice Pilaf, Green Salad, Bleu Cheese and Italian Dressing, Bread & Butter, Tapioca Pudding, Coffee and Water

### Christmas Luncheon Notice

**Bob Bly, Little SIR**

Our Christmas Luncheon will be Tuesday, December 11, at the Elks Club. Luncheon Entrees are Prime Rib or Salmon, salad and dessert. We will have Christmas music provided by the Greg Brown Musical Express. Tickets are \$18, and may be purchased at our November luncheon (preferably) or by calling Little SIR Bob Bly (532-4135, email blyr@sbcglobal.net). Flyers will be available at the November luncheon. We hope to see a really good turnout.

### BOWLING CHAIRMAN

**Bert Abreo- 736-4804**

Bert is traveling this month and is sorry not to be able to post a bowling report. He will have a report in December.

### 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. > Regular attendance is essential for a strong and successful Sons in Retirement Chapter. The SIR by-laws limit members to three consecutive absences without having been excused by contacting the Membership Message Line prior to the monthly luncheon meeting date. A Member must also attend at least one-half of the regular luncheon meetings (Ladies Day, Summer Picnic and Holiday Luncheon excluded) within the previous twelve-month period. Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum twelve-month attendance requirement.



### 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.

### New Members Inducted at the October Luncheon Meeting

New Member	Sponsor
Kari Czadzeck	Bob Morrison
Talfourd Wynne	Gene Morales
Dave Rossi	Michael Bowers
Jim Botto	Bill Lobdell
Drexel Oliver	Transferred from SIR Branch #140
Len Jacques	Transferred from SIR Branch #140
Stan Ericsson	Transferred from SIR Branch #140
Don Lloyd	Transferred from SIR Branch #140

### Prospective New Members To be Considered at the November Executive Board Meeting

Andy Bravo	Gene Morales
Bill Hines	Transfer from SIR Branch #140
Larry Guzman	Transfer from SIR Branch #140
Herman Schmitz	Transfer from SIR Branch #140

### GOLF CHAIRMAN

**Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee**

**Jeff Phillips 588-2977**

Note: NCGA Dues are now due; \$38 before Dec.10<sup>th</sup>; \$48 after Dec 10. 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 ½ 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.

NCGA Dues are now due! The cost before Dec 15<sup>th</sup> is \$38; after Dec 15th add \$10. In order to compete in the SIRS golf tournaments you must have a NCGA handicap. Please make your checks out to SIRS 136 Golf and submit to the Golf chairman.

2012 Remaining Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs (Please mark your calendars!)

Day/Date	Shotgun Start time
Tuesday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, December 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 A.M.

Mountain Springs – September 25th, 2012

### Closest To Hole

#7	#12
Tom Nischwitz 23' 10"	Wayne Dixon 15' 2"
Wayne Dixon 33' 7"	Trini Mercado 49' 1"
	Jim Hagel 49' 9"

### 2 ManTeam Winners:

1 <sup>st</sup> Chace Anderson/Jim Hagel	net 56
2 <sup>nd</sup> Dennis Land/Scott Hardin	net 58
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tom Nischwitz/Ron Saito	net 59

The Lighter Side of Golf: No matter how you slice it golf is a frustrating game....anonymous

***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***



### MOTHER LODE TRAVEL SCHEDULE

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

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.

### RV Club News

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

Everyone who attended the October 14-17 outing at the Cal Expo RV park had a great time. We did a lot of shopping, including Ikea and Old Town. Lunch on the Delta King riverboat was a fun experience. It's too bad we couldn't cruise on the boat since the weather was exceptionally warm. As usual, Earl Randall, with help from Ron Long outdid himself with his BBQ ribs! Hosts Jack & Deanne Houser, assisted by Ron & Bernie Long and Don & Donna Utt, want to thank everyone for their help with the great food they provided.

As always if you think you may like to join the RV club or attend one of our outings in the future please give Bill Lobdell a call.

### PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

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

Have fun by playing pinochle with us. If you have never played before or haven't played for a while, we will help train you in our rules. We meet twice a month: on the 1<sup>st</sup> Mon. at the Moose Lodge and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. at the Elks Lodge. You don't have to attend every time. New players play free for their first two sessions. Now, for the rest of the year, new players will win a prize of \$10.00 if they finish in the top 50% in the sessions of the free play. This prize is in addition to any other prize money they may win during their free sessions. We have 26 active players now and have been averaging 10 to 12 players per session. For more information, go to web site [www.sirtwain.org](http://www.sirtwain.org) and click on the pinochle icon.

### 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 November 13th, and 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.