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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 the Elks Lodge on Tuesday, October 9th. The Executive Board will meet at 10 AM in the regular meeting room.

BIG SIR NOTES

Baci Freceri - 532-7704

I hope the problems with the microphone not working at our Sept. meeting did not hinder you from hearing our guest speaker, our new Superior Court Judge, Donald Segerstrom speak... Under the circumstances, it was good of him to show up... We also send our condolences to him on the loss of his Mother the following day.

It was an honor for our Senior Sirs 90-95, to receive an Award Certificate from the Sir Club and to be recognized. Thanks to Ed Nissen for making the presentation and also a thanks to John Bristow, our Secretary for framing the certificates.

Hope to see you at the Oct. 9th meeting.... Remember, if not able to attend in Oct. please call in... Thank you,

LITTLE SIR NOTES

Bob Bly – 532-4135

Our upcoming October luncheon will be October 9. Our speaker will be John Buckley, Executive Director for the Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center (CSERC). John will present a brief slide show discussing a few of the current environmental issues in Tuolumne County and some of the work CSERC does in its efforts to protect wildlife and habitat in the Central Sierra.

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 October menu is Baked Short Ribs, Baked Potato, Green Salad, 1000 Island and Italian, Bread and Butter, Coffee and Water, and 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.

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

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.

GOLF CHAIRMAN

Joint Br. 136 & Br.77 Golf Committee

Jeff Phillips 588-2977

Note: October Turkey shoot tourney starts at 9:30 A.M. on Oct. 30th!!

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 15th 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, October 30th 9:30 A.M. (SIRS annual Turkey

Shoot....lots of prizes)

Tuesday, November 27th 9:30 A.M.

Tuesday, December 18th 9:30 A.M.

Mountain Springs Tournament Winners – 8/28th, 2012

| | <u>A Flight</u> | <u>Net</u> | | <u>B Flight</u> | <u>Net</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------|
| <u>1st</u> | Tom Nischwitz | 59 !!! | <u>1st</u> | Jeff Phillips | 68 |
| <u>2nd</u> | Scott Harden | 62 | <u>2nd</u> | Jake Parsons | 69* |
| <u>3rd</u> | Bob Edwards | 70 | <u>3rd</u> | Jack Spracklin | 69 |

*** won on a score card playoff**

Closest To Hole

| <u>#7</u> | | <u>#12</u> | |
|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| Tom Nischwitz | 16' 5" | Chace Anderson | 19' 5" |
| Jack Spracklin | 21' | Tom Nischwitz | 23' 6" |
| Jeff Phillips | 34' 3" | Jeff Phillips | 25' 9" |

The Lighter Side of Golf: Tommy Bolt towards the end of one of his infamous temperamental, club-throwing rounds, asked his caddie for a club recommendation for a shot of about 155 yards. His caddie said: "I'd say either a 3-iron or a wedge, sir." "A 3-iron or a wedge?" asked Bolt. "What kind of stupid choice is that?" "Those are the only two clubs you have left, sir" said the caddie.

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

The league has resumed and the lanes are slow to warm up, but here is the current league standings

High game to date - Chris Parreira 246

High Series to date - Chris Parreira 665

Standings: The Wild Ones 8-0 Hines Pickles 7-1

Misfits and Drex Wrex 6-2

Some local members have done pretty good in SIRS

tournaments, such as Mike Bowers and Arleen Williams (wife of Neil Williams)

PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

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

Have fun by playing pinochle with us. We meet twice a month: on the 1st Mon. at the Moose Lodge and on the 3rd Thurs. at the Elks Lodge. Already new players play free for their first two sessions. Now, for the rest of the year, we are offering a new incentive that awards new players 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 will help train those who have never played before or haven't played for a while. For more information, go to web site www.sirtwain.org and click on the pinochle icon.

Our active pinochle list has 26 players now, and we have been averaging 10 to 12 players per session. We had 8 players (3 from Br. 77, 2 from Br. 136, 3 from Br. 172) on Sept. 4th at the Moose Lodge and 12 players (2 from Br. 77, 3 from Br. 136, 5 from Br. 172, and 2 guests) on Sept. 20th at the Elks 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 pm.

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 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

The RV Group went to Monterey in September with a stop-over at the Salinas Elks Club on the way. Jack and Rosie Walls were the hosts this month and made sure every little thing was taken care of to ensure a good time was had by all. Many of the group attended the Italian Festival while others did the site seeing thing in and around Monterey. Chef Earl Randall cooked up one of his famous spaghetti and Italian sausage dinners one night and everyone patronized the great restaurants in the area the other evenings. A few adult beverages were also consumed that evening. Chef Bill Lobdell also made sure breakfast was taken care of one morning by whipping up a batch of his world famous pancakes with all the trimmings. We had three guest rigs on the trip. Also a big thanks to Larry and Frida Flocchini for pitching in and being a great help on all of the meals. The next outing will be to Sacramento Cal Expo on October 14 through 17, hosted by Jack and Deanne Houser. This will be another great trip with lots of things to do, fine food and maybe a few more adult refreshments.

If you think you may like to join the RV Group or attend one of the future outings please give Bill Lobdell a call.

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 October 9th, 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.