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Travel - Wil Reich - 533-2626
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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)
REQUIRED ATTENDANCE - Members are to attend all regular luncheon meetings unless prevented by illness or absence from the Branch locale (Rule 60).

Members must attend at least one-half of the regular luncheon meetings (Ladies Day or Picnics and Holiday Luncheon are excluded) within the previous twelve consecutive month period and must not miss three consecutive regular luncheon meetings without having been excused by contacting the designated Branch Attendance person prior to the meeting date (Rule 100). **Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum annual attendance requirement.**

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PAST BIG SIRS OF BRANCH #136 SONORA

1996 - Dusty Rhodes

1997 - Dave Holton

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2000 - Bob Gibbs

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2004 - Bill Dunlavy

2007 - Wil Reich

2008 - Roger Milligan

2009 - Don Nilan

2010 - Don Banchemo

2011 - Al Smith

2012 - Baci Frecceri

BRANCH #136 HONORARY LIFE AND CHARTER MEMBERS

Baci Frecceri - Travel Chairman, Past Big Sir 1986-2012

Al Limon - Past Big SIR 1992-2012

Dusty Rhodes - Past Big SIR 1996-2012



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**SONORA
BRANCH #136**

BULLETIN

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

BIG SIR NOTES

Phil VanSwoll - 532-1133

As I predicted, the weather cooled down for our picnic, and the folks who came had a great time. Little SIR John Bristow worked hard to get the fixin's for a fine barbeque (thanks, SaveMart!) and it's a shame that more of you didn't turn out for this fine annual event. Some apparently objected to paying \$12 for a hamburger, but you must remember that it costs the club \$300 just to get a spot at Railtown for the day, and when you add in all the other expenses, there really isn't anything left over. Plus Jim Mueller generously donated his time and equipment to provide us with musical entertainment, which we don't get at a regular meeting. All in all, it was a good day – if you weren't there, you missed a good time!

Sorry to report that Al Limon's wife, Marge, passed away. I know you will all join me in extending our sympathies to Al and his family.

Bring a guest to the next meeting!

LITTLE SIR NOTES

John Bristow - 588-8066

Thanks to all those Members and Spouses that came to the Picnic. I was panicking due to the lack of response but things turned out okay. We served 100 Hamburgers and did not hear a complaint so I guess they turned out okay. I will make a report at the General Meeting.

Our guest speaker for September 10th will be Leon Casas Jr. of the Senior Providers. Leon is the new CEO and has replaced Mike Ruggles who retired to Grass Valley. Things are changing at the Senior Center and Leon will be talking about what we can expect in the next few months.

LUNCHEON DIRECTOR

Rick Bacon - 765-8210

Our September menu is Roast beef au jus, mashed potatoes, green salad, ranch and Italian, bread and butter, chocolate pudding, coffee and water.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Sonora Senior Center is hosting an open house on September 14 from 11am -3 pm to inform the public about the location, services and activities.

Thank you
Sharon Mele
Board of Directors/Committee Member

BOWLING CHAIRMAN

Bert Abreo- 736-4804

Upcoming SIRS tournaments include: Fremont on Sept 8 & 9, South Lake Tahoe on Sept 20 & 21, Citrus Heights on Oct 7 & 9 and Brentwood on Oct 15 & 17. Some or most of the entry forms for these tournaments are either available on line or at Black Oak Lanes. The bowling league resumes on September 9 with the league meeting being held prior to bowling. Hope to see as many of you as can attend our Sonora tournament.

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

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 payable to SIR's #136 Golf, prior to tournament day. (See Roster page 8 for address).

Check-in table at Mountain Springs will close 15 minutes prior to tee time.

2013 Branch 136/77 Golf Tournaments @ Mountain Springs

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Shotgun Start time</u>
Tuesday, September 24 th	8:00 A.M.
Tuesday, October 29 th	9:30 A.M. <i>Annual Turkey Shoot</i>
Tuesday, November 26 th	9:30 A.M.
Tuesday, December 31 st	9:30 A.M.

July 30th Tournament at Mountain Springs Golf Course

CTH Results

Hole # 5: 1st Team Laureta (10'8");
2nd Team Nath (26'6")

Hole # 12: 1st Team Phillips (20'2");
2nd Team Banchemo (20'7")

4 Man Team Scramble Results

1st Laureta/Simmons/Banchemo/Morales (net 62)
2nd Clay/Slife/Wright/Dickerson (net 64)

MOTHER LODE TRAVEL SCHEDULE

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



Horse Races, Friday, October 18. We have 33 signed up. Need 40 for this trip, so 12/14 more would be good. The cost is \$80 per person, and includes coffee, donuts O.J., Champagne, sugar & creamer at 7:45 a.m. wine and snacks on bus, prime rib buffet in the turf club, turf club entrance fee, and all tips. Arrive back in Sonora at 7:30 p.m.

Wine Tour Monday, October 21 to the Shenadoah Valley Wine Region (Plymouth, Ca.) Link Line Bus will pick up at 8:30 a.m. at Block Buster parking lot/ Walmart shopping center. There will be water, coffee, & donuts on bus. We will visit Shenadoah Valley Winery at 10 a.m., Sobon Estates Winery at 11 a.m., & Deaver Winery at 12 noon where we will have lunch. Lunch make your own sandwich with deli meats and bread, salad, home made brownies, chips, & wine. After lunch Montevina Winery at 1:30 p.m. Start home at 3:30 p.m., and arrive in Sonora at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$65 per person. Make checks payable to SIR Branch 77. Monies due by Sept. 12, 2013

Snow Train to Reno February 18-19-20,2014. This includes bus from Sonora to Sacramento Amtrack Station, Train to Reno, pick up in Reno to Eldorado Hotel for 2 nights stay (baggage will be handled in Reno), transportation from hotel to station on 20th, Train to Sacramento, and bus back to Sonora. All tips included. Cost is estimated at \$350 per person. Cannot get final cost from Amtrack until September 15th. The Link Line bus has room for 22 persons. If we exceed 22, and have 32 or more the 16 passenger bus will be added.

PINOCHLE CHAIRMAN

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

By popular demand, we now play four times each month: on the 1st and 4th Mondays at the Moose Lodge and the 2nd and 3rd Mondays at the Elks Lodge, from noon to 3:30 P.M. If you haven't played before or for a long while, we will tutor you. You play free for your first two meetings. Thereafter, you pay only \$3 each meeting. Moreover, you win \$10 if you score in the top 50% at a free meeting. If you score first or second highest at a meeting, you win a prize. If you score lowest, you get your \$3 back. For a great time, come join us. You need not attend every 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 Botto- 586-0822

The next RV trip is scheduled in September and will be a 11-12 day caravan up the Oregon/California coast and it should be a great trip as I currently have 11 club members and two SIR guests going as well.

INTERNET, BULLETIN, ROSTER

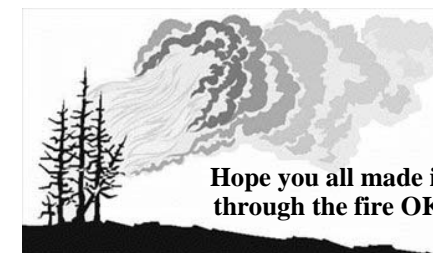
**Jerry Bellefeuille - 533-3630
sirjerry@sonnet.com**



Please feel free to contact me about any changes that are needed in the bulletin or roster.

MEMBERSHIP 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.



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 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.