



Trampas Topics

June, 2010

SIR Branch 116

Next Meeting: 11:30 am,
Monday, June 21, 2010
Elks Lodge—1475 Creekside Dr,
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

A Nonprofit Public Benefit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement.

Sayings of 2010 Big Sir Jed Daniel

Those of you who decided not to attend the "Spring Fling" (Ladies Luncheon) on Tuesday, May 18th missed an outstanding, well organized event. The food was great and the Ladies favors and raffle prizes were excellent. The entertainment provided by the acapella quartet "Houseblend" was extremely well received and brought back many memories with their rendition of music from Glenn Miller, the Beach Boys, and several other groups that we could all relate to. Jerry Hicks and the staff at the San Ramon golf club deserve a "Very Well Done" for putting on a first class luncheon.



The Elks Club has concluded their negotiations with the caterers and have decided to give an exclusive contract to "Bonehead BBQ" for the catering of all events held at the Elks Club. Gerry Gouveia, the Elks Club Exalted Ruler, assures us that we will be very pleased with this new caterer. Our first meal provided by "Bonehead BBQ" will be at our June 21st meeting.

For those of you who have not yet made the \$30 voluntary contribution for this year, you will have the opportunity to do so at the June luncheon meeting immediately after you pay for your lunch. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Our June meeting falls on the day after Father's Day. I hope that every SIR has an opportunity to spend some time with his family on Sunday, June 20th and I wish all of you a very Happy Father's Day.

Jed Daniel - Big SIR

Happy Father's Day!



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PLEASE CALL 806-8874 by the Thursday prior to the meeting to cancel your standing reservation or to bring a guest.

2009 SIR 116 Officers & Directors



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551-7734



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2010 SIR 116 Committee Chairmen

Activities Coordinator	Dick Socolich	376-3090	Membership Roster	Dick Thompson	785-7600
Attendance	Jim Nachtweih	838-7417	Music Man	Robbie Robinson	798-7276
Audit	Dick Thomson	785-7600	Newsletter Editor	Neil Schmidt	939-5342
	Chuck Gilliam	682-3782	Asst. Editor (Interim)	Phil Goff	831-3692
Book Club	Rich Black	283-8376	Nominating	Frank Crua	932-0975
Bridge	Milt Greenstein	376-5589	Photographers	Ken Miller	256-9343
Candy Sales	Dirk Meyer	820-6878		John Peterson	946-0335
Chaplain	Rotating	#1 See Below	Poker Group #1	Bill Harrington	935-1625
Christmas Party	Jerry Hicks	945-7465	Poker Group #2	Al Reynolds	254-1576
Computer & Tech..	Phil Goff	831-3692	Spring Party	Jerry Hicks	945-7465
Computer Support	Dick Thomson	785-7600	Storytellers	Rotating	#2 See Below
Dine-O-Sirs	Ben Smith	820-5403	Sums In Retirement	Ben Smith	820-5403
Duplicate Bridge	Bob Daily	837-7080	Sunshine	Matt Arena	946-0404
Fishing	Harry Sherinain	846-7067	Travel	Tom Eller	939-5897
Guitar	Paul King	938-3035	Volunteers	Bob Kinser	837-8886
Golf	Ron Domer	838-8320	Webmaster	Floyd Skelton	838-2515
	Carlos Xavier	947-6756	Welcoming	Dick Socolich	376-3090
Greeters	Pat Bermingham	930-9477	Wine Appreciation	Al Reynolds	254-1576
E-mail Contact	Conrad Robertson	376-6355			
Hiking and Walking	Joel White	964-0994	#1. Matt Arena, Doug Aalders, Ron Domer, Marty Ratterree, Lou Sandor		
Historian	Matt Arena	946-0404	#2. Ron Domer, Art Donaldson, Milt Greenstein, Marty Ratterree		
Host	Frank Crua	932-0975			
Interviewer	Max Foust	827-9323			
Membership	Lytton DeSilva	254-5289			

2010 SIR Area 2 (Inter-branch) Committee Chairmen

Bowling	Lloyd West (Br.19)	228-9037	Publicity	Walt Schick (Br.8)	934-0656
Computer & Technology	Co-Derek Southern (Br.8)	253-1646	Table Pool	Bill Weinberg (Br.146)	682-0962
Fishing	Co-Phil Goff (Br.116)	831-3692	Rubber Bridge	Fred Bolton (Br.146)	932-1580
Golf	Karl Derose (Br.8)	376-0468	Speakers Bureau	John Roebuck (Br.19)	685-8764
	Jim Willey (Br.19)	689-3199	Sums Retirement	Allen Espenmiller (A.2)	376-3977

SIR Branch 116 Activity Calendar

June 2010

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
		1 Duplicate Bridge (9:30@ P.Hill Bridge Ctr)	2 9-Hole Golf (10:00 Buchanan Fields) 18-Hole Golf (9:30@ Boundary Oak)	3	4	5
6	7 18-Hole Golf (9:30@ Franklin Cyn)	8 Luncheon Bridge (11:30@ Round Hill CC)	9 9-Hole Golf (10:00@ Pine Meadow)	10	11 Hiking & Walking (8:15@ Laf.-Moraga Trailhd)	12
13	14	15 18-Hole Golf (9:00@ Chardonnay)	16 9-Hole Golf (10:00@ Buchanan Fields)	17	18	19
20 Fathers Day	21 SIR Br 116 Mtg. (11:30@ Elks Club)	22 18-Hole Golf (10:00@ Diablo Creek) Luncheon Bridge (11:30@ Diablo CC)	23 \$ums in Retirement (8:00@ Diablo Creek GC) 9-Hole Golf (10:15@ Diablo Hills)	24 Fishing (8:30@ Legend Sports Bar)	25 Hiking & Walking (8:15@ Moraga Safeway)	26
27	28 18-Hole Golf (9:30@ Indian Valley) Book Group Mtg. (10:15@ Orinda Books)	29	30 9-Hole Golf (10:00@ Pine Meadow)			

Membership

Lytton DeSilva



SIR 116 Membership Status

Total Current Members — 253
 Last Month's Inductees — 0
 Those in Interview Stage — 3
 Total in Process — 5
 On Inactive Status — 44
 Left the Branch — 0
 Waiting to be Installed — 0

Br. 116 Treasurer's Report

Chuck Gilliam, Treasurer



	May 2010	2010 YTD
Contributions	\$ 630.00	\$ 26,803.07
Disbursements	\$ (1,472.89)	\$ 25,149.30
Net (gain/(loss))	\$ (842.89)	\$ 51,952.37
May Cash Balance		\$ 9,305.65

June Luncheon Menu

Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Tater Salad,
 Cole Slaw, Rolls,
 Ice Cream Coffee/Ice Tea

June Birthdays

When you see these members, wish them a Happy Birthday!

Arena, Matthew	Lutkus, Alex E.
Benz, Andrew	McCallum, William E.
Bergamini, Richard F.	McInnis, Charles D.
Carlson, Linton D.	Meyer, George D.
Dillon, Frank	Meylan, C. Louis
Goff, Phillip	Powell, Troy
Herold, Bruce G.	Scott, James
Hunter, Jerry	Sherinian, Harry P.
Kaplan, Marvin	Tullus, David S.
Lowenberg, Stanley	Yee, Jai L.

Want a Free Lunch ? Sponsor a New Member !

That's right! Sponsor a new Branch 116 member in 2009 and get a free lunch. Sponsor another and, get another free lunch. No limit on this deal!

Computer & Technology

Derek Southern & Phil Goff



Area 2 Computer and Technology Group announcement

The group does not meet in June, so the next session will be on Thursday July 15 at 9am. The topic will be : "Travelling Overseas with Technology". More information will be available in next month's announcement.

A copy of the Email presentation for May 20 will be posted on the A2 CAT website by Monday, May 17 .

Meetings of the Area 2 Computer and Technology Group are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except June and December) from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., at the Walnut Creek Elks Lodge, 1475 Creekside Drive. Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned user, we try to offer something for everyone. Some months we ask for a donation of \$5 to cover the cost of the hall rental, coffee and cookies. All SIR members and their guests are welcome.

ALERT.....

LOOK FOR THIS SIR STORY

In the June issue of ALIVE magazine www.eastbayalive.com the first of a four part series about SIR will be published. You can read it on the internet or purchase a copy at a number of local outlets in our area. The story is written by Harry Hubinger, chairman of the states G&M Committee. A great publicity piece...

Dean Steichen
Governor, Area 2



Sunshine Report

Matt Arena

With sadness we pass on the news that two of our members have passed away in March and April.

Bill Andrews and **Bill Mowris**, faithful members, will be missed by their many friends. Bill Andrews enjoyed his golf and served as Sunshine Chairman for several years. Many of you first met Bill Mowris as you visited with him before becoming members. Bill Mowris was our Official Interviewer of new candidates for many years.

After a courageous battle with cancer **Gary Schoen** passed away on May 24, 2010. Services will be held June 1st at 10:30 a.m. at St Isidore's Church Danville. For further information contact the Robinsons at 798.4276. Gary loved his golf as well as his many friends in our Branch. He will be missed for the friendship he brought to so many of us.

Ron Domer and his loving wife Angela have enjoyed several close by mini-vacations following Ron's first treatments. There is more to be done and they are taking things a step at time.

Dan Pope and I had a good conversation. Dan is making good progress with his physical therapy and is walking with the aid of a cane. He has attended several Educator Luncheons with his colleagues. These outings have been wonderful for his recreation and catching up with friends from his working days.

Past Big SIR **Art Miller** is doing well. He has a great spirit that has been enhanced with his new power chair. He continues with 3 days a week of dialysis at John Muir, Shadelands. He is waiting to have stitches removed from a small cancer on his face.

Floyd Skeleton is working on obtaining some very high priced new medication. Fortunately he has

been connected with a source which he expects will be of help. Floyd's spirits are high and he is always a delight to chat with by phone.

Doug Alder had a TIA scare Saturday but he is progressing nicely. There has been a change in medication to prevent future episodes and he expects to join us for lunch in June.

I have nothing new to report on **Harry Honstein**, **Troy Powell** and **Ed Regalia** this month however here's hoping each is improving.

Take care of yourselves and be thankful for your good health.

In Memoriam
Bill Andrews

November 12, 1928-March 30, 2010

In Memoriam
Bill Mowris

April 26, 1923-May 8, 2010

In Memoriam
Gary R. Schoen

July 9, 1948-May 24, 2010

Trampas Topics Submissions



We need your contributions and suggestions for Trampas Topics. Please send photos, news items, SIR activities, and Letters to the Editor to:

Neil Schmidt, Trampas Topics Editor
trampastopics@gmail.com



Bridge

Milt Greenstein

Duplicate Bridge

The Branch 116 Duplicate Bridge group met on May 4th with 16 players attending. The team of Kahl / Schultze came in first with a score of 57.74 % (48.50 points). At 55.95 % was the team of Chaffee/ Greenberg (47.00 points) and third place was taken by the team of Rohrs / Schoenfeld with 54.17 % (45.50 points). We played 28 boards - an average score would have been 42.00 points.

Luncheon Bridge

On May 11th, 28 men gathered at Round Hill C. C. for an excellent lunch and bridge. The high point of the day was two Grand Slams made, but no small slams. Our top winner was Joel White with 6,180 points. In second place was Oscar Krikorian with 5,890, followed by Lou Sandor (5,720), Jack Butler (5,270), Dennis Perry (5,120) and Ron Wolberg (4,950). The grand slams were made by Dan Green / Fred Massaro and Bill Sullivan / Milt Greenstein.

On May 25th, the group met again at the Diablo C. C. After a tasty halibut lunch, the 28 men sat down to some good bridge. Jim Nachtweih was the high score with 6,120 points (including 2 small slams with partners Dick Chaffee and Bob Stithem), In second place was Lou Sandor (5,670), then came Gene Gould (5,290), Bill Sullivan (5,190), Milt Greenstein (4,850) and Ali Aghaipour (4,450). We had four small slams today, the two by Jim Nachtweih, one more by Dick Chaffee with partner Joel White and one by Gene Gould ? Bob Stithem. Despite the four small slams, today was a relatively low scoring day with an average score of 3,437 points, one of the lowest of the year to date.



"Dine-O-Sirs" Dinner Group

Ben Smith



GREETING TO ALL YOU DINE-O-SIR'S

Our next outing of the "Dine-O-SIR" Herd is set for **Tuesday, June 22, 2010** at "ZIO FRAEDO'S" ITALIAN & CONTENTIAL RESAURANT located in Pleasant Hill. This a long established restaurant that has an excellent reputation for good food and service. The social readjustment hour will start at 5:30 PM with dinner served at 6:30 PM

The Host for the evening will be SIR Tom Eller who has worked out all the details with the Proprietor of ZF. (Mr. Tony)

Total cost for the below meal is \$30.00 per person, **Tax and Tip included.**

The evenings morsels of goodness will consist of the following:

- **Appetizer:** Fried Zucchini and Fried Calamari during the Social Hour
- **First Course:** Mixed green salad
- **Entree's,** Choice of:
 - New Your Steak, Chicken Toscano-White sauce, Mushrooms and artichoke hearts, Grilled Salmon, or Pasta Primavera-Alfredo Sauce (For Vegetarians)
 All Entree's include a Starch and Fresh Vegetable sides, Dessert, Coffee or Hot Tea.
- **Wine:** Select White/Red wines--\$20 a bottle, \$5 per glass, plus tax and tip. All alcoholic beverages are NO HOST.

Reservations will be taken on a first to pay basis. If possible try and make your reservation at the next SIR meeting or by e-mail. Make your check to: SIR Branch 116 dining. Send it to Ben Smith, 1837 Lackland Dr. Alamo, CA 94507. Tel: 925-820-5403 or e-mail bjsssmith@aol.com

If you have any questions, please contact me or other member of your Dine-O-SIR committee.

Ben Smith, Tom Eller, Phil Goff, Jerry Hicks & Dick Socolich



SIR Fishing Group

Harry Sherinain

All SIR members and guests are welcome and, indeed, encouraged to participate in fishing trips as well as attend the monthly meetings. Next meeting will be Thursday, June 24th at the Legend Sports Bar and Grill at the Diablo Creek Golf Course at 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Meeting starts at 8:30.

Well, instead of flowers, April showers brought us May showers. At the time of this writing, many mountain lakes are still iced over. Nevertheless, our fearless Sir's fisher folk boldly ventured forth, and actually caught a few fish. Craig Walton, Joe Peterson, and George Schulze led the way with many nice stripers over 4 trips. They trolled the Sacramento River catching stripers to 10 lbs, and George's first ever-trolled keeper striper. Craig, Harold Knutsen, and Harry Sherinian did not fare as well trolling in Lake Berryessa, where only one trout was boated by Harry. Carl Moyer and Roger Borgerson caught 5 nice halibut trolling in San Francisco Bay, Romano Gnusti, Paul King, Gordon Linebaugh, Jim Andrews, George Schulze and Carl Moyer fished at Shadow Cliffs Reservoir for some tasty trout. Joe Miscione fished Bass Lake for trout and bass, and did well with both. Carl Moyer, Richard Bennett, Ron Yates, and Bob Olson fished for sturgeon catching a few undersize and a few too close to the size limit to keep, and Carl and Terry Miller caught one 74 inches long, (about 120 lbs) too big to keep. Richard, Ron, and Carl tried the bay for halibut twice, boating only one very delicious flattie. And finally, on one of the roughest days that this reporter has spent on the ocean, Clem Teeters caught the biggest Salmon of the year (24 Lb) for the first Salmon of the year on board the El Dorado III. Terry Miller also caught a nice salmon and a halibut in the bay on the same trip; Harry Sherinian also caught a halibut. John Frazer enjoyed the trip, but went fishless.

We will be very busy this summer with: delta fishing for bass, crappie, bluegill, catfish, and sturgeon, trout fishing in mountain lakes and rivers, and

party boat trips for salmon, sturgeon, halibut, and stripers. These outings will include those who rarely fish but would like to try. If you haven't been fishing in a while, but might like to test drive an adventure come join us.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 24th at the Legend Sports Bar and Grill at the Diablo Creek Golf Course at 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Meeting starts at 8:30 am. For further information, please contact Karl Droese, Big Fish, (925-376-0468;) Harry Sherinian, (Branch 116 Coordinator) (925-846-7067) or Dick Thomson, Treasurer/Secretary, (925-944-1760.)



Carl's Sturgeon



John Fraser, Terry Miller, Harry Sherinian

Hiking & Walking

Joel White



Friday April 9 a Special wildflower walk at Briones Park led by Art Donaldson included

Art and Mary Alice, Rich Black and Donna Argenbright, David and Colleen Geary, and Dan and Andrea Green, all pictured above. Breakfast was enjoyed outdoors at the Oasis Café.

The Monday walks, are consistently enjoyed by the 3 “walkskateers” (Rich Black, Art Donaldson, and Joel White) in beautiful morning sun (see photo below) when all are in town.

Friday, June 11 walk will be led by Joel White. Meet at the Lafayette Moraga trailhead parking lot at 8:15 am. This lot is on the right of Olympic Blvd. west of Pleasant Hill Rd. Please RSVP to Joel (964-0994: zp2mrz@yahoo.com) for this walk.

Friday, June 25 walk will be led by Rich Black. Meet 8:15am at the Moraga Safeway parking lot, off of Moraga Rd. Please RSVP to Rich Black (283-8376; argnblck@comcast.net)

There will be no 4th Monday walk as the “walkskateers” will all be out of town.

Please RSVP to the walk leaders if you plan to attend.

Poker Group #2



Poker Group #2 plays on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Diablo Country Club in Diablo, from 1-4 p.m. It's a small stakes game, and socializing with fellow SIR members is the primary purpose.



If you would like to join, call Al Reynolds at 254-1576 or send an email to reynolds4596@sbcglobal.net.

Luncheon Speaker

By Little Sir Ron Armijo



SMARTPHONES AND YOU!

“A smartphone is a mobile phone that offers more advanced computing ability and connectivity than a basic feature phone.” In 1992 IBM presented the first smartphone as a concept product at the computer industry trade show, COMDEX, in Las Vegas. The smartphone industry has come a long way since then.

This month our own SIR Neil Schmidt will be presenting an abbreviated and updated version of his well received January Smartphone presentation to the Computer & Technology Group. His presentation is titled: “Smartphones: What are they good for?” and he will be discussing what smartphones are and why they are becoming so popular. He will also demonstrate several useful smartphone applications for seniors in their daily life, as well as when they travel, and provide a cost example for obtaining and using a smartphone.

Neil Schmidt, a Branch 116 SIR since 2004, is a native Californian having been born and raised on a farm in Central California a few miles from the town of Chowchilla. He has two Electrical Engineering degrees, a Bachelor degree from California State University at Fresno and a Masters degree from Santa Clara University. He worked 37 years for Pacific Gas & Electric Company, primarily in Ultra High Voltage system design both as a project engineer in his earlier years and eventually as a supervising manager. He also worked in several other areas during his career including project management and research & development.



\$ums in Retirement

Allen Espenmiller

The Area 2 \$ums Investment Group meeting will be on June 23 rd, 8:00AM at the Diablo Creek golf club on Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Our speakers will be Jeanne Chan and Michelle Bartel from the Walnut Creek office of Charles Schwab. Their topic "Exchange Traded Funds Explained". Discover why exchange-traded funds (ETF'S) are such a rapidly growing investment option. You'll learn how the structure of ETF'S offers cost and tax advantages, with flexibility, liquidity and diversification to help you fill in the gaps in your portfolio.



"SIRS Penetrate the Mid-May Gloom at Lone Tree." (l. to r.: Al Zavattero, Bill Hemmelsbach, Al Serafino)



Wine Appreciation Group

Al Reynolds

Details of the May 27 wine event, hosted by Matt Arena, will be reported on in the July Las Trampas issue. July 22 is scheduled for the next wine event. Call Al Reynolds for details--925-254-1576.

Golf Echo

A golfer hit his ball into a ravine.

His buddies heard 'whack, whack, whack' on and on, until finally he got the ball out.

His buddy asked, "How many strokes did it take you to get out of there?" He said, "three", but his buddy said, "I heard seven."

His reply was, "Four of them were echoes."



Br. 116 Book Club

Rich Black

One Sharp Entrepreneur

Balram Halwai starts his adult life without a rupee, a name, or even a birthday, and ends up owning a fleet of taxis in Bangalore, India. He's hardly a model of virtue as presented in *White Tiger* by Aravind Adiga, but he presents an entertaining though hardly enlightening picture of modern India. Present at the The SIR Branch 116 Book Group discussion on May 23 were Al Reynolds, Rich Black, Art Donaldson, Joel White, Monte Hall, Jim Scott, Jack Butler and Lytton DeSilva.

The group will next meet on Monday, June 28 to read *Presidential Courage* by Michael Beschloss at Orinda Books at 10:15 AM.

State 'SIR Happenings'

Sir Happenings (our State Web Newsletter) is now in its fifth year of publishing. Enjoy reading SIR Happenings, our State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can easily find Happenings on the SIR State Website: www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings

SIR Travel

By Tom Eller, Travel Chairman



Pick up brochures, forms, etc., at the travel desk at the luncheons. If we run out of these and you are still interested in the trip, please ask your travel chairman and he will have one sent to you. Payment should be made to the travel agency arranging the event unless otherwise stated:



July 28-29 — Silver Sizzles Review

See the show at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. Cost \$99 per person, double occupancy. This overnight trip includes deluxe motorcoach transportation.

Additional SIR Travel Opportunities on State Web

The quarterly State SIR Happenings Web Site at: <http://www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings/> offers additional SIR travel options. Travel opportunities include the following (see their web site for more details and cost):

Sept. 9-19 — Cruise Alaska's Inside Passage

Embark on a 10-night inside passage cruise aboard the Sea Princess, sailing round trip from San Francisco. Ports of call include: Ketchikan, Juneau, Haines, Tracy Arm Fjord, and Victoria BC.

Sept. 16-29 — Montreal, Quebec, & Canadian Maritimes

Discover Montreal, Quebec City, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia via motor coach and ferry.

Sept. 17-30 — Mediterranean Enchantment

Cruise on Holland America's ms Noordam sailing round trip from Civitavecchia (Rome) plus a 2 night post stay in Rome. Stops in many ports including: Livorno, Italy; Monte Carlo, Barcelona, Spain; Palma de Mallorca, Spain; Carthage, Tunis; Trapani, Italy; Naples, Italy. Sponsored by Jim Lunn SIR branch #8 (925) 551-3329

Sept. 20-28 — A Capital Experience

A nine-day tour to Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, & Charlottesville. Visit our nation's capital with friends and family. Call Golden Gate tours today! Space is still available for your group on this wonderful tour. (800) 874-4345.

Sept. 23-31 — Copper Canyon Train

Travel in your private rail car on the only passenger train in Mexico. Cross 37 bridges and 86 tunnels as you make your way through the spectacular Copper Canyon.

Sept. 25-30 — Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup

A visit to southwest South Dakota that will include stops at the Crazy Horse Monument, Mount Rushmore, Badlands National Park and many other notable places in the area that highlight the romantic "Old West."

Sept. 25-Oct. 2 — Trains Across New England

Autum in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts is a beautiful time of the year. This 8 day tour includes a number of excursions on local sightseeing trains.

Oct. 19-Nov. 8 — Pure New Zealand

Immerse yourself in a land where wild rivers and glaciers flow through rain forests to the sea, pristine lakes and pastoral forest hug volcanic slopes, and snowcapped peaks pierce the sky. Visit Auckland, Rotorua, Arrowtown, Franz Josef Glacier, Greymouth, and Christchurch. Sponsored by Branch 146 & space is limited — Reserve before Feb

Nov. 8-13 or 9-14 — Johnny Mathis LIVE!

Experience the magic of the season with JOHNNY MATHUS Live! and the Branson Area Festival of Lights 2010 as all of Branson is aglow for the holidays. Two dates to choose from.

. 21, 2010. Call 1-800-353-6262, Option #2. Be sure to mention Service Code: G022221.



2010 SIR State Golf Trip

Golfing at MESQUITE

November 7-12, 2010

Enjoy **FIVE** nights & six days (Sunday to Friday) in Nevada, featuring **three** rounds of golf in Mesquite—tee off against spectacular backdrops: rugged arroyos, natural wetlands, and inspiring vistas

For full details, go to the SIR State Golf website at www.sirstategolf.com or call us at 800- 874-4345.

SIR Website Addresses

SIR 116 Web Site

<http://www.sir-web.org/116-web/>

Branch 116 Golf

<http://www.sir-web.org/116-golf/>

Trampas Topics

<http://www.sir-web.org/trampas/>

Computer and Technology

<http://www.sir-web.org/computer/>

SIR Happenings State Newsletter

www.sirinc.org/sirhappenings

State SIR Web Site

<http://www.sirinc.org/>

SIR Day at the SF Giants

vs. the Florida Marlins

July 29 (Thursday) at 12:45 PM

Ticket Prices: Lower Box \$34, View Box \$23, View Reserved \$17, LF Bleachers \$17



CARSON CITY GOLF GETAWAY

SEPTEMBER 8, 9, 10

The sign-up sheet for the Carson City Golf Getaway is included in this month's issue of the "Trampas Topics" and is also on the Branch 116 web site.

This is always a fun event because there is a lot for everyone regardless of whether you play golf. As usual we will be playing 2 rounds of golf (includes cart). Ladies will have a bridge event, or go sight seeing, or shop in the Reno and Lake Tahoe area as well as in Carson City.

There will be a hosted cocktail party and banquet each of the 3 nights. On the last night we will hold a special raffle with over a \$1,000 worth of prizes to be given away. You have your choice of lodging; the Hardman House which provides a continental breakfast, or the City Center Motel which reduces one's cost by \$80. Both are within short walking distance from the Nugget Casino where the cocktail parties and dinners are held.

Golf will be a shotgun format at both Silver Oak and Eagle Valley West. The ladies will play Eagle Valley East the last day. There will be many flights and lots of winners.

We would appreciate your signing up early because once again we are inviting Branch 8 and others, and we want to make sure all Branch 116 attendees get first priority.

Remember guests are always welcome so invite your friends to join you in Carson City. We are looking forward to a good turnout. It is always a great time and the golf is very relaxed and not competitive.

If you have any questions call Tim Hubbard at (925) 944-0742 or e-mail tthubbs@astound.net



**SIR BRANCH 116
2010 CARSON CITY GOLF GETAWAY
SEPTEMBER 8-9-10**



Sept. 9 Silver Oak 8:30 Shotgun
 Sept 10 Eagle Valley West (Men) 9:00 Shotgun
 Sept 10 Eagle Valley East (Ladies) 9:00 Tees



Staying at Hardman House

Includes continental breakfast

Golfers - Double Occupancy	
Men	\$354.00
Ladies	\$339.00
Single Occupancy	\$453.00
Non-Golfer	\$244.00

Staying at the City Center Motel

Golfer - Double Occupancy	
Men	\$312.00
Ladies	\$297.00
Single Occupancy	\$348.00
Non-Golfer	\$202.00 Dbl Occupancy

ALSO INCLUDES:

Open bar and buffet dinner all 3 nights
 Golf balls, tee prizes, and **exceptional raffle prizes**
 Food, gaming, and bar coupons

Prize money of \$15.00 per player collected upon arrival

Entry deadline is August 24



Mail to: **Tim Hubbard**
1744 Carriage Drive
Walnut Creek, CA 94598-1120

Non-Golfers!!
A Ladies Bridge Event is being planned—
Please indicate your interest below**



Please complete the form and circle your selections
Hardman House or City Center Motel

1. Name: _____ Golfer Non-Golfer **

2. Name: _____ Golfer Non-Golfer **

Golfer's NCGA GHIN # 1. _____ 2. _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____ to cover the reservation

Please make checks payable to **SIR Branch 116 Golf**

Your email address: _____

**** I'm Interested in Playing Bridge – One Day or Both Days (circle choice)**

For Questions: Email Tim at tthubbs@astound.net or call (925) 944-0742

SIR Branch 116 Golf

By Ron Domer, Golf Chairman



We have an active golf organization consisting of 18-hole and 9-hole groups. A small annual donation is required to play in either group.

The 18-hole group plays once a week in a Tournament format with play alternating between local courses and courses that may be 10 to 50 miles away. Those playing in the 18-hole group must be members of the Northern California Golf Association (NCGA) and establish a handicap index. You may join the NCGA through our SIR club or through another club.

The 9-hole group also plays once a week and alternates play between local courses. Foursomes in both groups are arranged so that players can meet and enjoy playing with most, if not all, the other players in the branch.

All our events are listed in our annual golf book, the Trampas Topics and on our web site at <http://www.sir-web.org/116-golf>. Join up with us and enjoy outings with a great bunch of guys at some great courses with reasonable prices.

Using the Golf Hotline

For Non-Pay-In Advance SIR 116 Golf Events (9-Hole and Boundary Oak 18-Hole) You may sign-up via the Branch 116 Hotline — 906-5355

Deadline for 18-Hole, the Thursday before and 9-Hole, the Sunday before.
Please indicate if you want a cart.

June 18-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Wed 02	9:30	Boundary Oak	Phil Goff
Mon 07	9:30	Franklin Cyn.	Phil Goff
Tue 15	9:00	Chardonnay	Phil Goff
Tue 22	10:00	Diablo Creek	Phil Goff
Mon 28	9:30	Indian Valley	Phil Goff



June 9-Hole Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Organizer
Wed 02	10:00	Buchanan Fields	Dick Chaffee
Wed 09	10:00	Pine Meadow	D. McClaughry
Wed 16	10:00	Buchanan Fields	Dick Chaffee
Wed 23	10:00	Diablo Hills	Doug Alders
Wed 30	10:00	Pine Meadow	D. McClaughry

Nine Hole Info

Dick Chaffee, 9-Hole Chairman



SIR 116 9-Hole Golf Club membership is open to all Branch members and guests regardless of your golfing ability. We play every Wednesday starting at 10:00am. We rotate playing Buchanan Fields, Concord, Pine Meadows, Martinez and Diablo Hills, Walnut Creek.

The 9 Hole Golf Club is organized into a single flight. The weekly Champion is the player with the lowest net score. The weekly Champion is awarded 3 points, 2nd place 2 and 3rd place 1. The 2009 Champion will be the golfer with the highest point total.

In December, we will again hold our 9 Hole Golf Championship Tournament. The Tournament will be 3 rounds of golf. One round at each of the courses we play. The Tournament Champion will be the golfer with lowest net total for 2 rounds. If a participant plays all 3 rounds, he can choose which 2 rounds will count.



18 Hole Results

By David Harris

Mare Island -- May 24, 2010

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3			Flight 4		
Neil Schmidt	71	3	Frank Crua	68	3	Max Foust	72	3	Chuck Gilliam	76	3
Al Zavattero	71	3	David Carlson	71	2	Bernie Wroblewski	72	3	Art Vogl	76	3
JJ Johnson	72	1	Paul Kim	77	1	Robbie Robinson	74	1	Frank Lockwood	80	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
JJ Johnson	85		Frank Crua	90		Max Foust	99		Chuck Gilliam	115	
									Carl Langhorst	115	
									Art Vogl	115	

Closest to: Hole #3 - Lonny randall, Robbie Robinson -- Hole #17 - Neil Schmidt, Robbie Robinson

Lone Tree -- May 17, 2010

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3			Flight 4		
JJ Johnson	68	3	Phil Goff	70	3	Conrad Robertson	69	3	Matt Arena	71	3
Al Zavattero	69	2	Paul Kim	73	2	Phil Jenkins	72	2	Chuck Gilliam	71	3
Bill McCord	72	1	Tom Eller	74	1	Robbie Robinson	73	1	Bill Hemmelsbach	72	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
JJ Johnson	81		Phil Goff	91		Conrad Robertson	98		Matt Arena	105	
			Paul Kim	91					John Peterson	105	

Closest to: Hole #5 - Dirk Meyer, Dick Chaffee -- Hole #11 - Phil Goff, John Peterson

Boundary Oak -- May 10, 2010

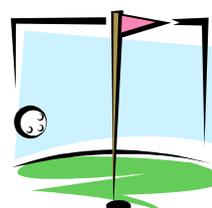
Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3			Flight 4		
Phillip Marks	67	3	Frank Crua	67	3	Conrad Robertson	67	3	Al Serafino	67	3
Neil Schmidt	68	2	Jerry Hunter	69	2	Bernie Wroblewski	67	3	John Peterson	69	2
Lonny Randall	71	1	David Carlson	70	1	Bob Donohue	70	1	Art Vogl	71	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
Phillip Marks	84		Frank Crua	89		Bob Donohue	95		John Peterson	99	

Closest to: Hole #2 - Neil Schmidt, Conrad Robertson -- Hole #12 - Bill Clark, Art Vogl

Boundary Oak -- May 3, 2010

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3			Flight 4		
Neil Schmidt	67	3	David Carlson	65	3	Bernie Wroblewski	73	3	Chuck Gilliam	70	3
Jim Clizbe	69	2	Pat Tinguely	68	2	Dick Chaffee	74	2	Bill Hemmelsbach	70	3
Steve Cherepy	72	1	Paul Kim	70	1	Max Foust	75	1	Al Serafino	72	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
Steve Cherepy	83		David Carlson	86		Dick Chaffee	99		Al Serafino	105	

Closest to: Hole #2 - Neil Schmidt, Phil Jenkins -- Hole #12 - Paul King



2010 18 Hole Leaders

By David Harris

FLIGHT 1		FLIGHT 2		FLIGHT 3		FLIGHT 4	
Index 0.0 - 16.9		Index 17.0 - 20.9		Index 21.0 - 25.9		Index 26.0 - 36.4	
NAME	POINTS	NAME	POINTS	NAME	POINTS	NAME	POINTS
Zavattero, Al	27	Carlson, David	21	Robertson, Conrad	22	Gilliam, Chuck	27
Meyer, Dirk	13	Crua, Frank	19	Foust, Max	20	Serafino, Al	22
Schmidt, Neil	13	Hunter, Jerry	14	Robinson, Robbie	18	Peterson, John	18
McCord, Bill	12	Kim, Paul	12	Wroblewski, Bernie	17	Hemmelsbach, Bill	15
Marks, Phillip	11	Goff, Phil	10	Chaffee, Dick	11	Vogl, Art	15
Johnson, JJ	7	Eller, Tom	8	Donohue, Bob	11	Arena, Matt	5
Randall, Lonny	7	Hutchko, Al	5	Jenkins, Phil	6	Langhorst, Carl	5
Williams, Mel	7	Tinguely, Pat	5	Daniel, Jed	5	Kallas, Pete	2
Cherepy, Steve	6	Story, John	4			Lockwood, Frank	2
Clizbe, Jim	6	Xavier, Carlos	4				
Harris, David	5	Campbell, Rob	3				
Smith, Wayne	4	Socolich, Dick	3				
Clark, Bill	3	King, Paul	2				
Domer, Ron	3	Portillo, Frank	1				
Nichols, Bob	1						

Latest SIR 116 Golf Info Available on Our Golf Web Site

The Golf Website address is:

<http://www.sir-web.org/116-golf>

Please bookmark it in your "Favorites" list of websites to access information on the following:

2008 Golf Schedule: Dates, times, and courses as well as detailed information on costs, payment information, deadlines, and special event facts.

- 18-Hole Pairings: Weekly, usually on the Friday or Saturday prior to the event, showing captains, teams, starting times, and handicaps.
- 18-Hole Leaders and Results: Weekly, usually within a day or two of the event.
- Paid-In-Advance Sign-Ups: Weekly, showing checks that have been received for the next 3 or 4 pre-paid outings.
- Boundary Oak Sign-Ups: Weekly, shortly following 18-hole events, and the monthly luncheon when most signups occur. This listing will show who has signed-up for the next two Boundary Oak sessions, and whether they have indicated using a cart.

18-Hole Pay In Advance Deadlines

Event Date	Location	Deadline	Amount
Monday, June 7	Franklin Canyon	21-May	\$35
Monday, June 15	Chardonnay	4-June	\$46
Monday, June 22	Diablo Creek	8-Jun	\$38
Monday, June 28	Indian Valley	21-Jun	\$43
Tuesday, July 20	Deer Ridge	8-Jul	\$35
Monday, July 26	Lone Tree	16-Jul	\$35

Send checks made out to SIR Branch 116, Golf
to PO Box 3426, Walnut Creek, CA 94598-9991



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Orinda, CA
94563-2819

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Rules of Attendance and Membership for SIR Branch 116

RULE 100. A member may be notified in writing by his Branch of the pending termination of his membership (Rule 107) should he be responsible for any of the following:

Miss three (3) consecutive regular luncheon meetings without having been excused by contacting the designated Branch Attendance person prior to the meeting date.

Did not attend one-half (5) of the regular luncheon meetings within the previous twelve consecutive month period. NOTE: Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum attendance.

RULE 101. Certification of attendance by a member at another Branch meeting will be considered as a credit to his attendance record. (Maximum of 2 visits per calendar year).

Non Responsibility Declaration

RULE 345: 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.

Checks for Trips

Trips of 2 days and 1 night or less may be made payable to the Branch conducting the trip. Trips in excess of 1 night must be made payable to the travel agency involved.