

"The Sirs" ~ LAKE TAHOE BRANCH 160

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RETIRED AND SEMI-RETIRED MEN GETTING TOGETHER FOR LUNCH
AND ENJOYING OUR VARIOUS ACTIVITIES



HIGH MOUNTAIN NEWS



NOVEMBER 2010

We meet the 4th Monday of the month

Next reg. meeting - our 242nd	Monday November 22nd	We meet at Tep's Villa Roma
Officers & Chairmen	10:00am	3450 Lake Tahoe Blvd (Hiway 50)
Social hour	11:00 am	South Lake Tahoe, California
Luncheon	12:00 noon	Across from the Bijou Center)

FROM THE BIG SIR



I'd like to send condolences from SIR Branch 160 to Barbara Kosco and her family for their loss of Norm a few weeks ago. I think who ever played golf with Norm would always remember him. Even when we had a bad game going, Norm would make it fun to be out there on the course, he was our friend. Also condolences to the family of Dan & Jackie Gordon for the loss of her mother recently.

Every so often a member gets tired of the food or the location at the SIR monthly meetings. This happens from time to time across the state. If you weren't at the last months meeting, the membership took a straw vote to see what the general concession would be either to move to the Embassy Suites, or stay at Teps Villa Roma. The vote was 47 to 16 to stay at Teps. The Branch Executive Committee then took a vote to stay at Teps 100%. I thank all Branch 160 Sir's for being patient in seeing this through.

Dan Tepper called me to tell me that the Christmas lunch will be the same as last year with exception of Prime Rib instead of Roast Beef. He also told me that the monthly lunches will not be more than \$14.00 for quite a while. He told me that he liked SIR being at his restaurant, and I told him the we liked being their also,

Knowing how much was on the agenda for the September monthly meeting. We didn't have a guest speaker for that month. Also with much of that running over into the October monthly meeting, we had a very short period of time for a guest speaker. So I'd really like to thank Gary Luce, Senior Engineer, Geologist, and Construction Manager for the V & T Railroad for coming and giving us a wonderful presentation on last minute notice.

Little SIR David Cotter has been very busy getting a Web Site on line for SIR Branch 160. He's also been busy trying to get donations for our Silent Auction for the Holiday Luncheon on December 13th. He's doing a great job, but he needs help. He needs names and contacts of restaurants in the area.

Remember there are two ways that our branch makes money to stay afloat. That's our July Bar-b-q, which didn't do well this year, and our annual Holiday Christmas party. We all need to support these events. At the annual Holiday party, it's always good to see our prettier half's have a good time along with us.

I'd like to wish every member and their family a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving. **Dave Tiongco**



FROM THE LITTLE SIR

WEB SITE: The Lake Tahoe SIR website is back in operation! As most of you know, when our good friend and dedicated SIR member Gary Gruber moved to Houston we also lost our webmaster. Well, after working with Larry over the last several weeks, our website is functional again (Thank you Larry). It's still a "Work in Progress" but the basics are now available (some pages may still be blank or have "Latin" place holders). Take a look and let us know what you think. Just visit www.tacojay.com (eventually we will use the URL; LakeTahoeSIR.org). Very soon, all the site pages will provide you with up-to-date information about Lake Tahoe SIR happenings.

HOLIDAY PARTY SILENT AUCTION: We can still use your help soliciting silent auction items for next month's SIR Holiday Party. It would be excellent if each of you could secure one Silent Auction item such as gift certificates from your favorite restaurant, gift shop, play, musical performance, etc. Please contact either Big Sir Dave Tiongco or me if you can give us a hand. *David Cotter*

October 25, 2010

SIR Branch 160
Board of Directors/Executive Committee Meeting
South Lake Tahoe. CA

The scheduled meeting of SIR Branch 160 for October 25, 2010, was held at Teps Villa Roma Restaurant.

Big SIR, Dave Tiongco called the meeting to order at 10:10 am.

Big SIR report: Big SIR, Dave Tiongco asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September meeting minutes? Joe Mckenna stated that he has corrected the minutes to include Mike Vadnais's comments. The minutes for September were approved as corrected.

Dave introduced Area Governor Bill Short.

The reason Bill was up here is to have a session with Dave Cotter about assuming the role of Big SIR for 2011. Also Al Bartley who was presented with a plaque for becoming a Senior Honorary Life Member at last month's meeting was given it again, this time with the officers signatures..

Dave Tiongco mentioned that Tony Manfredi has moved off the mountain.

Dave stated that the executive meeting will remain open throughout the general membership lunch meeting today. The reason is to conduct a straw poll of all the attendees concerning whether to stay at Teps or move to Embassy Suites for future meetings. This is to give the executive committee an idea just what the general membership feels about the issue. After the poll the executive committee will again vote in silence and determine whether to move or stay.

Little SIR report: Dave Cotter said that he has talked with Gary Gruber and Gary has a new e-mail address.

Dave stated that the guest speaker for today's luncheon is Gary Luce. He is with the V&T railroad that runs between Carson City and Virginia City.

Treasurer's report: Dale Herman stated that the Branch started out the month with \$611.72 and the ending balance is \$578.58.

Mike Vadnais asked for an accounting concerning the July picnic. He mentioned that he doesn't understand why the Branch lost money on this, as in most other years we made money. Ken Koegl also backed up Mike's view. Dale Herman will do a cost analysis just on the picnic and have it ready for next month's meeting. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report as it was presented, seconded, and approved.

Attendance report: Ron Rathbun stated that there are 118 approved members with 1 inactive and 1 on medical leave. This gives us a total of 116 active members.

Sunshine report: Mike Vadnais stated that Norm Kosco has passed away. Mike has sent out a few cards to the members that he knows are ill.

New Business: Dave Tiongco discussed the upcoming Christmas party. He questioned whether the Branch should subsidize the cost of the party as was done in the past? A motion was brought up that the Branch does not subsidize the cost of the party. This was seconded and voted approved. Additional possibilities for making some money to help with the Branch bank account were to have a silent auction but Dave asked for help in getting members to solicit local businesses. Also Larry Coffman will have a 50/50 drawing going, and he also suggested another game to help bring in money for the Branch.

The meeting was temporarily postponed at 11:10AM until the general membership meeting started.

The general membership meeting started at 12:05PM.

The flag salute was given by all.

While everyone was standing, Mike Vadnais made the invocation.

The membership had the buffet lunch being served by Tep's.

Gary Luce of the VT railroad gave his presentation and CD movie concerning the railroad. He fielded questions after. The fare for a typical round trip is \$48.00 with discounts for seniors and groups. The trip is two and a half hours. The railroad was first constructed in 1868 for hauling silver ore to the crushing mills. It closed in 1951 but was reopened in 1998 and is running today.

Larry Coffman gave out prizes to 3 winners of the 50/50 drawing.

George Ramirez made an announcement that November 11 is Veterans day and that the American Legion is having a function at 11:00AM on that day. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bill Chambers announced that he has golf towels and shirts for sale with the SIR logo on them.

Ron Rathbun stated that 10 members have announced to him that they will be snowbirds this winter.

Sig Heidemann was presented with a check of \$270.00 by Bob Harms. The check and card was from many golfers who appreciate all the effort Sig puts in to organize the tournaments. Sig was overwhelmed.

Sig stated that he will be making arrangements for golfing Plumas Pines in Grayeagle next year. Sig mentioned that he, Jim Denney and Dave Tiongco had visited Norm Kosco two weeks ago and Norm seemed to be doing ok. However last Saturday Norm passed away. Norm's wife stated to Sig that there will be services on November 11. Sig will e-mail everyone of the time and place.

Sig mentioned that Joe Scott will be handling the winter golf events and anyone wishing to play should give Joe a call. NCGA golf dues for next year will be \$36.00 and they are due in December. Anyone wishing to continue playing with the SIR must have a handicap and that by joining the NCGA this is taken care of.

Mike Vadnais stated that Tony Manfredi has moved away, and that Dave Teper of Tep's has lost his mother.

Dave Dugan presented awards to two Branch bowlers for a SIR State event. This included trophies and some money. Dave also mentioned that the Branch is bowling every second Friday of the month.

Dave Cotter will be taking pictures today of anyone that has not had his picture in the Branch Roster.

Sig Heidemann won the badge drawing and will be given a free lunch next month.

The straw poll concerning the Branch staying at Tep's or moving to Embassy Suited was taken. The vote to stay was 47 members, with 16 voting to go to Embassy Suites. A poll was taken of the officers in attendance and there was a concurrence with the general membership to stay at Tep's.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Szromba,
Secretary, SIR Branch 160



Previews of
Coming Attractions ...

NOVEMBER

Nov 22 Regular lunch meeting at Teps
Elections of officers for 2010
Training day for 2010 new officers
Date and Place TBA

DECEMBER

Dec 10 Bowling at Tahoe Bowl
Dec 13 Christmas luncheon Teps'
No regular meeting in December

Roster Changes

Please post these changes to your Branch Roster --

Drop 4 Members ☹ ☹ ☹

Norm Kosco, Gary Gruber, Dan Rodriguez, Bob
Delaplaine

Change of address

Alfred V. Roth
300 Occidental Dr.
Dayton, NV 89403
Ron Thompson
1854 Grizzly Mountain Dr.
S. Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Email address change

Alfred V. Roth (Van-rose@sbcglobal.net)
Dave Dugan (dave.dugan@yahoo.com)

Attendance reminder --

We must not miss 3 consecutive meetings without notifying the Attendance Chairman and being excused.

Whether or not we have been "excused", we still must attend at least half the meetings during the previous 12 months period.

~NOTICE~

SUPPORT "The SIRs" ~ DRESS IT UP WITH ROOSTER PINS, HATS AND SHIRTS. SHOW HOW PROUD YOU ARE TO BE A SIR!!!



HATS ~ \$13
VESTS ~ \$29
SHIRTS ~ \$16
PINS ~ \$2.50
GOLF TOWELS ~ \$7

Start looking good!
THE ROOSTER MAN
Bill Chambers



MEMBERS ANNIVERSARY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Jim LaPorte 1996 Jim Denney 1999 Don Hanifen 2000 George Ramirez 2004 Will Smith 2004 Earle Malley 2005 Steve Pannozzo 2006

BOWLING AT LAKE TAHOE BOWL



For our new members who would like a little more activity, we have SIR bowling on the second Friday of each month. (Ladies invited). The Bowling establishment allows us to bring in food and snacks. No skill involved. It is no TAP. Ball and shoes are provided. All for \$10.00 for three games. Any questions see our bowling chairman Dave Dugan.

Visit the SIR Website at sirinc.org
and
read "SIR HAPPENINGS" -- the SIR State Newsletter.
plus, in living color, BRANCH 160 news letter on
Website
tacojay.com

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From the Attendance Chairman

... Ron Rathbun ...

Time for the annual reminder to our several "Snowbirds" -- be sure to request from me a "Leave of Absence". Also please give us your winter address so you can keep up with Branch goings-on by receiving the monthly Newsletter.

You are urged to make a donation at this time to help defray the expenses of the club while you're away. We look forward to seeing you in the Spring, so take care!

Membership & Luncheon Report

Sons In Retirement - Lake Tahoe Branch 160

OCTOBER 2010

Members dropped (4) Norm Kosco, Dan
Rodriguez, Rod Delaplaine, Gary Gruber

Total Members this report (116)

Inactive members (1) David Best

Medical Leave (1) Don Codgelia

Total inactive members (2)

Net active members (114)

Attendance – active members (70)

Guests Perspective members (1) Tom Walters

Visiting Sirs other Branches Norman McRae,
Bill Short

Visitor Speaker (1) Gary Luce

Above and beyond donations George Ramirez,
Al Bartley, Dennis Wingate, Dave Tiongco

Non Attendance letters sent, Jim Smith, Derek
Smith, Mike Chernus

Total present (74)

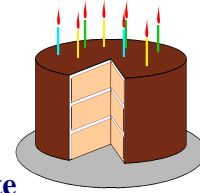
Your attendance chairman,

Ron Rathbun



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS

Tim Donley
Otto Hefner
Warren Shaw
Dennis Wingate



Ben Kunibe
Bob Pitcock
Bill Sluka
Tom Warrell

One is turning “70” no big deal!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS

Jerry Beauchamp
John Barton
Dale Herman
Bill Malloy
Derek Smith



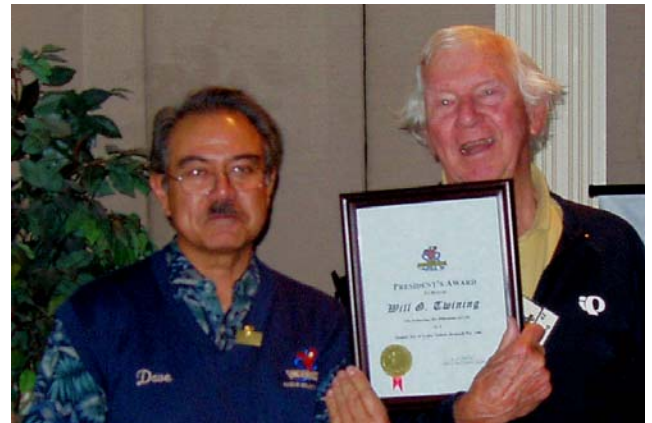
Dom Delcenio
Mack Brown
Richard Gwinn
Al Pizl
Tom Teders

Bob McConville Bill Challenger

Mike Chernus

Someone is going to be the big “65”

Happy Birthday, Sirs!



Will Twining receiving President's Award for
Achieving the Milestone of Life Senior Sir Lake
Tahoe Branch 160 on the 25th of October 2010.
Presented by Big Sir Dave Tiongco branch 160/



~ Merry Christmas ~

Happy Holidays !

Happy New Year !

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Announcing the annual Holiday Party and Banquet Buffet
at Tep’s Villa Roma

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13 2010 ~ 11 am - 3 pm

Ladies and other guests are most welcome!

Tep's is providing this specially selected menu

Holiday Salad including Ham, Salami, and Cheese Platter
Fruit Tray - Homemade Rolls and Butter
Fresh Sautéed Vegetables
Mashed Potatoes - Gravy - Cranberry Sauce - Yams

HOT ENTREES

Roasted Turkey with Italian Stuffing

and all the Americano Trimmings

Baked Ham

Salmon Ravigote

Fresh King Salmon topped with a creamy Seafood Stuffing and baked
Served over a bed of fresh Sautéed Spinach

PRIME RIB

Au jus and creamy Horseradish sauce
and . . .

Coffee and Dessert

plus...

***White, Blush and Red wine are included with dinner
and your favorite drinks are available at the no-host bar***

For your dining and dancing pleasure . . . LIVE MUSIC by our favorite DAVE FABRIZIO

And again this year! Silent auction for some fantastic items ... plus a 50-50 drawing. Get in on these for sure! The cost of the party is only \$25 for SIRs, their ladies and other guests. Please bring your money to the November 22nd luncheon meeting at Tep’s where our Treasurer, Sir Dale Herman, will sign you up. If you prefer to sign up by mail, make your check payable to SIR Branch 160 and send it to the address below so as to reach him by the Monday, December 6, 2010 deadline.

Get in the spirit !

♫ Sir Dale Herman
2274 Oregon Ave.
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

See you there !



IN MEMORIAM



NORM KOSCO

**Active Member and Our Friend
Sons In Retirement – Lake Tahoe Branch
Rest In Peace**

Sir'S

Norm Kosco was my friend and golfing buddy. No matter how our game on the golf course would go, Norm always came up with an off the cuff joke and made us laugh. He was a very entertaining person whenever we were around him.

I knew, for the past year, that Norm suffered with many health problems. Once in a while he would talk about his condition and what he did, in hopes, to get relief and proper treatment. He did not trust his doctors very much and sometimes, did not take the prescribed medications.

Norm analyzed everything that came across his way and was very cautious before he made a decision. This made Norm a successful investor in business and the stock market. He frequently told me, when he leaves this earth, that his wife and children would be comfortable provided for. He loved life and we enjoyed his friendship.

He no longer suffers with earthly pain that ravaged his body for he is in a better place now.
God bless Barbara and her family.

Sig Heidemann

SIR Bowling Report – Branch #160

November 12, 2010

Results of the SIR 2nd Friday “no-tap” contest. First, we have the Monte Carlo events, the winners and awards

1st Game:

*First Strike Pot - - - - Franz Goepfert - \$10.00
Free Entry - - - - - Franz Goepfert - 9.00*

2nd Game:

*Low Ball - - - - - Dave Dugan - - - \$ 3.00
Double or nothing - - Ron Lyness - - - - 10.00
2nd Strike Pot - - - - - Franz Geopfert - - 10.00*

3rd Game:

*Mystery Doubles - Pat Dugan, Bernice McCarthy,
Dave Dugan, Franz Goepfert - - \$ 3.00 each
Progressive Pot - - - - Franz Goepfert - - 20.00*

High Game: (w/hdcp.)

	<u>Men</u>		<u>Women</u>	
1 st	Franz G. 733	\$ 15.00	Bobby D 637	\$ 5.00
2 nd	Ron L. 680	\$ 9.00	Bernice M. 630	\$ 5.00
3 rd	Dave D. 677	\$ 6.00	Diane A. 519	\$ 5.00
			Pat D. 439	\$ 5.00

The big winner this month was Franz Goepfert - \$67.00. We would like to see more bowlers join us for food & fun with friends on the second Friday of each month. Starting in January, Al Akins will become the new bowling chairman.

DAVE DUGAN, BOWLING CHAIR.

Badge drawing winner!!!!

SIG HEIDEMANN

Come to a meeting, have lunch, hear our guest speaker and have your badge pulled from the bucket for a lunch on the Sir at the next meeting.

NEWSLETTER

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