

The SIRs' ~ Lake Tahoe Branch 160 ~

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Promoting the Independence and Dignity of Retirement

HIGH MOUNTAIN NEWS

“ Up on The Hill, man ... that's the greatest! “

~ December 2010 ~



We usually meet the 4th Monday of the month, but not in December

We met- - (243 rd)	(Monday December 13th)	(Our Christmas Party at Tep's)
Our next reg. meeting (244th)	Monday January 24th	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)

We had a merry Christmas party!

It was a great program, good food and music, and good will toward all.

Thanks to the Committee and the many others that helped.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



FROM THE BIG SIR



Our November meeting was cancelled due to weather. That might have been one reason that only 57 were in attendance at our Annual Holiday Luncheon this year. Almost the same number as last year. The weather was perfect this year, unlike last year's bitter cold. Those in attendance had a good time. Thanks to Dave Fabrizio's music, and the wonderful service at Tep's Villa Roma Restaurant. All the fundraisers at the Holiday Luncheon gave a boost to our Treasury. We'll need to try to keep it in this order. Good attendance at our Holiday Luncheon and July Bar-b-q's will keep us in the black. The cost of the monthly newsletter alone is close to \$80.00 to send out each month. If eighty members show up at our regular monthly meetings, we're in the red for that month.

This is that time of year that we're thankful for what we have, and we hope for a better future. As BIG SIR this last year I'm very thankful for all the help I have received from all the Past Big Sirs, and Area Governor Bill Short. Every one of them at one time or another came to me to remind me of something, or to reinforce what I was doing.

I need to give thanks and recognition to our Chairmen, because without them Sir Branch 160 wouldn't work. Our new Chairmen Tom Sawyer, Curt Emrie, Otto Hefner, and Mike Vadnais. Good job gentleman. Big thanks to all our more experienced Chairmen. Some have been doing their job for many years. Bill Chambers has been our Rooster Sales since 2004, Ron Rathbun has been our Attendance Chairmen since 2001, and has always keep the membership records in order, thanks Ron. Branch 160's

main activity is Golf; this has been a weekly success for us mainly because of Sig Heidemann's format. Sig has done an outstanding job as the golf chairman since 2000.

For the last three years Lee Szromba has been our secretary. Some of you might not know but the Secretary is the liaison between SIR State and our Branch 160. When Lee's on vacation Joe McKenna fills in without missing a beat. If some of you haven't noticed, Dale Herman & Al Pizl our treasure, and assistant don't even eat with us at times. They're always in the back collecting, counting money, paying bills, and getting it ready to go to the bank after our meetings. Thanks, Dale and Al.

David Cotter thanks for being there for me and helping me decide what needed to be accomplished, and Larry Coffman for always being around taking care of many jobs and tasks for SIR Branch 160.

Most of the same slate of Officers will be on the 2011 Roster. With two new Directors, a new Little Sir, and a New Big Sir. Thank your for stepping up, and continuing with your volunteering.

I'd like to wish Branch 160 Sir's, and their family's a safe and wonderful Holiday Season, and good health in the coming year. See you all at the January 24th. SIR meeting.

Dave Tiongco



FROM THE LITTLE SIR –

“As we begin our transition from 2010 into 2011 I want to personally thank all the SIR members who have donated countless hours towards making Branch 160 one of the best in the State. Organizations such as ours cannot exist with the support of its membership. There is nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer. I encourage our newer members to step forward, helping us make 2011 one of the best yet. Thanks for being part of the team!

I wish each of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and prosperous and healthy New Year.”

David Cotter



What a wonderful party



Look at all the goodies



I can dance all night



NEW OFFICERS FOR SIR BRANCH 160 LAKE TAHOE

Front row left to right

**Treasurer Dale Herman, Asst. Secretary Joe McKenna, Director Dom Delcenio, Big SIR Dave Cotter,
Little SIR Dave Dugan**

Back row left to right

**Director Larry Coffman, Director Mike Vadnais, Director Al Bartley, Secretary Lee Szromba,
Past Big SIR Dave Tiongco**

Not present

Asst. Treasurer Al Pizl, Director Wayne Logan, Director Jack Post



Out going Big SIR Dave Tiongco turning over the office of Big SIR to Dave Cotter at the Christmas Luncheon



Previews of
Coming Attractions ...

JANUARY

Fri 14th Sir's Bowling Lake Tahoe Bowl

Mon 24th Regular luncheon meeting at Tep's.
2011 Branch Officers kick off the New Year

FEBRUARY

Fri 11th Sir's Bowling Lake Tahoe Bowl

Mon 21st Regular luncheon meeting at Tep's

MARCH

Fri 11th Sir's Bowling Lake Tahoe Bowl

Mon 28th Regular luncheon meeting at Tep's



**NOTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 22nd
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING .**

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Meeting canceled because of snow!!!!

~ 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

Lake Tahoe Branch 160 Badge Color Scheme

Charter Member...**RED** Honorary Life
Member...**GOLD**

New Member **BLUE** The rest of us **BLACK**

When you see a badge with **BLUE** lettering indicating
a **NEWER MEMBER**, be sure to make him feel extra
welcome.



Badge drawing winner!!!!

FOR THE JANUARY LUNCHEON
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
Sirs at the next meeting.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BOYS

Jerry Beauchamp

John Barton

Dale Herman

Bill Malloy

Derek Smith

Bob McConville

Bill Challenger



Mike Chernus

Someone is going to be the big "65"

Happy Birthday, Sirs!

Dom Delcenio

Mack Brown

Richard Gwinn

Al Pizl

Tom Teders

SIR Bowling Report – Branch #160

December 15, 2010

Here it is at the end of another fun year. On Friday the 10th, we had a small gathering of eight people (8)!, who took part in the monthly “Monte Carlo” contest along with high series. Results of the high series with handicaps as follows;

	Men	Series		Women	Series	
1 st	Franz G.	731	\$10.00	Bernice M.	645	\$7.00
2 nd	Ron L.	712	8.00	Bobbie D.	590	5.00
3 rd	Ron R.	679	7.00	Pat D.	481	3.00

Other players were Bill Sluka and Dave Dugan.

Based on the number of bowlers, we were able to participate in six of the nine Monte Carlo games. Most everyone got a shot at the prizes, but as always, we all had a good time.

Al Akins will be taking over as Bowling Chairman next year. At his discretion, he may continue these monthly bowling reports and perhaps enhance our bowling festivities.

I want to THANK my bowling assistant – Ron Rathbun. He has been a valuable and highly appreciated part of SIR’s bowling. The good people at Tahoe Bowl, under new management, continue to make SIR’s bowling an enjoyable monthly event.



DAVE DUGAN, BOWLING CHAIR.

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December 13, 2010

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

The scheduled meeting/Christmas party of SIR Branch 160 for December, 2010 was held at Teps Villa Roma Restaurant on December 13th.

This meeting was a combined affair with the Officers and with the general membership, wives and significant others.

Big SIR, Dave Tiongco called the meeting to order at 12:10PM.

The flag salute was given by all.

Curt Emire gave the invocation.

The Christmas buffet luncheon was served by Teps.

Dave Tiongco called all the new officers to come up and be installed.

Al Bartley installed the new officers by asking them to pledge to assume the responsibility to perform faithfully the duties of their respective office and to be bound by the Corporate and Branch Bylaws and the Standing Rules Of Sons In Retirement, Incorporated.

The new officers that were in attendance are as follows: Dave Cotter –Big SIR, Dave Dugan –Little SIR, Lee Szromba –Secretary, Joe Mckenna –Assistant Secretary, Dale Herman –Treasurer, Dave Tiongco –Director Dom Delcinio –Director, Mike Vadnais –Director, Larry Coffman –Director.

Afterward Dave Tiongco thanked all the past officers that gave their time during the last year.

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

Dave Dugan announced the winners of the silent auction.

Members and guests danced throughout the event to the music of Dave Fabrizio.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Szromba, Secretary
SIR Branch 160

HAPPENINGS TRAVEL BULLETIN

January 28-February 7, 2011 Caribbean Cruise

Cruise aboard the luxurious cruise ship, Silver Cloud at a nice discount. The ship holds 298 passengers, with a crew of 212. The cruise leaves from Bridgetown, Barbados with stops in the Grenadines, Dominica, St. Kitts, Gustavia, St. Barts, St. Maarten, and Grand Turk, with the final destination in Ft Lauderdale. Prices include r/t air and range from \$3950 to \$4850 PPDO. Offered by Branch 171 Travel. Call Tom Sponsler at 925-708-6584.

February 12-17, 2001

Yellowstone in Winter

There's more to winter in Yellowstone than geysers. There are over 3,400 square miles of park lands providing panoramas of indescribable beauty. You will travel aboard heated snowcoaches, past frozen lakes, icy waterfalls, abundant wildlife, Old Faithful and thousands of other unusual thermal features in Yellowstone's steaming snowscape. Cost is \$1699 PPDO. Offered by Branch 73 Travel. Call Paul Peters at 510-724-8345.

March 4-11, 2011

The Caribbean in Luxury

Enjoy 7 days and nights cruising the Caribbean in luxury aboard the 5-star Cruise ship, Silver Whisper. Ports of call include: Barbados, St. Lucia, St. Barts, St. Johns, St. Martin, Virgin Gorda, and San Juan. Prices include R/T air and range from \$2845 to \$3635. Offered by Branch 22 Travel. Call Henry Puccinelli at 415-457-3990.

April 4-14, 2011

Rhone River Cruise

This cruise through Southern France could be the high light of your 2011 travel. Prices range from \$4610 to \$5615 PPDO and include all meals and transportation. Offered by Area 1 Travel. Call Michael Clark at 650-347-0919 for a flyer. Look it over, you will love it!

April 6-12, 2011

Cherry Blossom Festival

Trip includes 6 nights at the Washington DC Marriott Hotel, plus 12 meals. Sight seeing includes the new WW II Memorial, Kennedy Center, Arlington Cemetery, Mt Vernon, Georgetown and reserved seats for the Cherry Blossom parade. Cost is \$2430 PPDO. Offered by Branch 127 Travel. Call Tony Praxel at 916-285-9656.

April 10-16, 2011

Southern Charm

Enjoy the beautiful springtime in the South! Fly to Charleston, S.C. Enjoy sight seeing and touring gardens, plantations, and museums all with a guide from the time we land until our departure. Tour three states: South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida, all with lots to see. Price of \$2294 includes R/T air from Sacramento. Offered by Branch 110 Travel. Call Wayne Chapman at 530-343-8086 or 530-519-3522.

May 16-31, 2011

Eastern Mediterranean Cruise:

Fly to Athens and spend 12 days cruising the Eastern Mediterranean on the 670 passengers Pacific Princess. Port visits include: Piraeus (Athens), Patmos & Santori, Greece -- Kusadasi (Ephesus), Turkey -- Haifa (Nazareth/Galilee) & Ashod, Israel -- Port Said (Cairo/Giza) & Alexandria, Egypt -- Sorrento/Capri, Italy -- and return home from Rome. Prices range from \$4990 to \$5930 PPDO. Offered by Branches 101 & 121 Travel. Call Rick Wayne at 925-337-3846.

May 27-June 5, 2011

Heritage of America Tour

The Heritage of America Tour starts in NYC where we'll visit Wall Street, Little Italy, Ground Zero, and other Big Apple attractions. We spend 2 nights in New York, then onto Philadelphia to tour the "Birthplace of a New Nation" and Amish Country. We visit Wheatland, the Federalist home of James Buchanan, journey on to Gettysburg, with a guided tour of the battlefield, and then travel to Shenandoah National Park. We will visit Monticello, the home and gardens of Thomas Jefferson, Colonial Williamsburg, and Washington DC. While in Washington we'll take a spectacular evening twilight tour of the nation's capital. Cost is \$2799 PPDO, which includes R/T air, 15 meals, and all gratuities. Offered by Branch 34 Travel. Call Dick Small at 925-462-1204.

June 13-20, 2011

Trains Across Colorado

An 8 day motor coach tour from Denver, featuring the Durango & Silverton, Cumbres & Toltec, Rio Grande and Pikes Peak scenic railroads. The trip also includes visits to Vail, Mesa Verde National Park, Royal Gorge, U.S. Air Force Academy, and Garden of the Gods. Cost is \$2390 PPDO. Offered by Branches 101 & 121 Travel. Call Werner Schlapfer at 925-443-8291

Year in review for SIR branch 160

In March we lost Leroy Rhodes, was a member since 1996.

At our April meeting Sir Wayne Logan was awarded Honorary Life Membership. He was presented a certificate by the State President of SIR Buck Kendrick. Also present were Area Governor Bill Short and Wayne's wife Dona.

April 5, 20110 at the Silver Oaks Golf Course in Carson City Al Pizl had a hole in one on the par 3 sixth hole. He was rewarded with \$50.00.

In the month of May we lost two of our SIR's Don Gillin and Harry Howard.

July at our annual picnic the weather was not the best, it was cut short by lightning and thunder, we all got out safe.

July, Gruber moved to Huston, TX. He left a big hole to fill. He was the State Secretary his last year and he was our guiding light at Branch 160.

September, Special awards went to Al Bartley for Senior Honorary Lifetime membership, Robert Bartley for achieving the milestone of Life Senior Sir, and Robert Dunn Receiving award for Life Senior Sir. Presented by Bill Short, Area Governor.

October, We had a discussion on moving to Embassy Suites for our meeting and luncheon. A vote was taken and we will remain at Teps'.

October, Norm Kosco passed; he was a true sir, a fine gentleman and a good golfer.

October, Will Twining, received the award for Life Senior Sir, Presented by Big Sir Dave Tiongco.

December, Christmas Party was a success; our silent auction was a moneymaker for the branch. 50/50 did well we had three winners and had a special 50/50; you had to be there.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL THE SIR'S AND YOUR FAMILIES

NEWSLETTER

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