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TOM JONES

Comments from Eric Jensen Our December meeting will be held on Second Tuesday, December 8th



December 2009

Big SIR thoughts for December,

Serving as your 2009 Big SIR, I have to say that it felt like it was a short year, but as I looked back there were many highlights for me to reflect upon.

1) Our new SIR #161 Honorary Life Member, Ralph Pfirrman was installed.

2) We had Dean Martin as our entertainment for Mother's Day.

3) The Al Digiusto boat cruise in Discovery Bay.

4) The Popular Discount Theater cards became available (more things are in the works for next year).

5) We have a newly elected Area #24 Governor Ron Marguglio.

6) Eight fine nights out with Dinner with the Ladies.

7) Frank Smith, SIR Golf Champion, with thanks to Dale Welin and Lowell Onstad.

8) Tom Kirtley's fine job as SIR Bowling Director, with thanks to Bob Rhiner.

9) Little SIR Bob Damico's Luncheon Entertainment and speakers.

10) Trying out the Table Mix Seating in November (a surprise success that allowed all to meet someone new)

Hope you all enjoyed the year.

Special thanks to all that helped me throughout the year.

Next meeting is "The Christmas with Elvis Luncheon" December 8th.

Eric Jensen Big SIR

Message(s) from Your Little SIR-Bob Damico:

December Guest Speaker:

We will not have a guest speaker this month---instead we have **ELVIS**!!! James Clark will be here to entertain us...get there early to get a good seat.

I have only a few tickets left... if you are interested-call me ASAP.





~A Tribute to Elvis ~ James Clark Is an internationally Acclaimed Elvis Impersonator And was rated in the top ten in the 2001 King of Kings Competition in Las Vegas.

December Lunch Menu

Roast Turkey Breast with mashed potatoes, cranberry and vegetables

November Free Lunch Winners:

Steve Bordi and Lee Doty

Something New

Our November random seating arrangement, suggested by our Big SIR Eric Jensen, was a success. The room was filled with new Conversation, Fellowship and Enthusiasm. We'll plan another random seating event in 2010. Thank you all for your support of this new concept...

Thoughts and Prayers

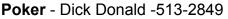
Ott Evje passed away on November 7, 2009. Ott joined SIR Branch 161 in November of 1990 and terminated his membership in August of 2008 when he moved to Stockton. Please keep him, his Lady Joan McLean and family in your thoughts and payers.



Following are some of the SIR Activities, including details on current plans. Feel free to call Dick Donald (513-2849) for more information on these and other activities.

Walking – Bob Damico – 634-0465

SIR Walking Group meets at the Marina parking lot (near The Boardwalk) 7:30 AM every Tuesday. Come join us for a scenic and refreshing walk on the levy (takes about an hour). We have seven regulars and welcome anyone that wants to join us....



The next SIR poker game will be Thursday, December 17, at 7 PM. This is a quarter limit dealer choice games. Contact Dick Donald at 513-2849 if interested in playing.

Wine Tasting – Ben Mahlberg – 516-4380

The first meeting of the Wine Tasting group will be at Ben Mahlberg's home on Tuesday, December 8th at 7 PM. Contact Dick Donald or Ben Mahlberg if you are interested in attending.

Pickleball - Bob Lyman - 513-1939

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR PICKLEBALL PLAYERS

Any of you SIRS who have an interest in doing something slightly more active than a long walk; you should come give Pickleball a try. We have beginner pickleball every Monday at 9:30 am and Wednesday at 2 pm at the Discovery Bay public tennis courts on Willow Lake Rd.

If you have ever played racquetball, tennis, squash or badminton you will find this a game somewhat similar but with less energy required using a large ping pong type paddle and a wifle ball on a badminton sized court.

To give it a try; all you need to do is bring yourself. We have the equipment needed.

MONDAY 9:30 AM and WEDNESDAY AT 2 PM AT CORNELL PARK

Any question call SIR members Bob Lyman 513-1939 or <u>ralyman@mac.com</u>

Or

Pete Dean 634-9005 or padean@sbcglobal.net



DECEMBER BOWLING NEWS

We still have some vacancies in our Winter Bowling League. If you are interested come and join us at the Harvest Park Bowl in Brentwood on Monday mornings. You don't have to be an experienced bowler just come and join the fun.

Here are the season's High Scores.

Men's Scratch Series Ladies Scratch Series Men's Scratch Game Ladies Scratch Game Men's Handicap Series Woman's Handicap Series Men's Handicap Game Ladies Handicap Game Bob Rhiner, 764 Marlena Morgan, 693 Curtis Manning 277 Nancy Lencioni 247 Al Winston 740 Mary Gekas 719 Ed Fitzpatrick 299 Terry Damico 270



UPCOMING TOURNAMENT

Tuesday January 19th Stockton @ Pacific Ave. Bowl

GOOD BOWLING MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

TOM KIRTLEY & BILL BAYER

December Birthday Boys:

PETE DEAN CHET LOVELAND CLINTON SPARKS DICK DONALD JIM NOONAN GARY HESS LOYD SINDEL



GOLF NEWS FOR SIRS BRANCHES 108/161 2009

The 2010 membership dues are coming and we have 49 to date (11-28-09). If you have not sent your 2010 dues (\$36.00) to Dale Welin, this is a reminder that the cutoff date is Wed., Dec. 16. We have started working on the 2010 schedule and will try to follow the feedback we received from you for the courses. Should be a good lineup.





Once again congratulations to FRANK SMITH For his winning the Club Championship for 2009. He had a very good day!

Frank Smith & Dale Welin

Happy Holidays to you and your family.

Dale Welin and Don Ramos

THE BRIDGE TABLE

The Discovery Bay Sir Bridge Group is Sad to report that our Bridge Player Ott Evje Past away at the age of 96 years, Ott was my first Bridge partner for many years, until he trades me in for John Mc Lean. We had our Bridge Game on November 17th. Myron Lencioni came in first with 2840 points followed closely by Lefty Brabec with 2750 points.



Our next Bridge game will be on December 15th.

Stay Healthy Lex Overzet 634-4614



MERRY CHRISTMAS



SIR Branch #161 Discovery Bay Visit our branch web site at www.sir161.org

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. BRANCH 161 & 108 CHECK SIRS HAPPENING ON WEBSITE BELOW

http://sirinc.org/sirhappenings/index.htm November edition of SIR Happenings has just been posted on the

SIR website:

ALSO February edition of SIR Happenings is now available.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Luncheon Meetings are on the Second Tuesday of the month at the Discovery Bay Country Club, 1475 Club House Drive. Social Hour is at 11:00 AM and Lunch at Noon. All Members are expected to attend. You are required to notify the attendance Chairman if you cannot attend. Regular members missing three (3) consecutive meetings without notifying the Chairman or attending less than seven (7) meetings within the last year shall be notified by form letter no. 4 of their pending membership termination. Certification of attendance at another branch will be considered a credit to the attendance.

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