



Branch #161 News

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Comments from Eric Jensen
Our September meeting will be held on the
First Tuesday, September 1st



Big SIR thoughts for September 1st,

THAT'S RIGHT, THIS IS A SPECIAL REMINDER THAT OUR
SEPTEMBER MEETING IS

September 1st !!!!! This is because of the Labor Day Holiday.

As the representative of Branch #161, I attended the SIR Annual Corporate Meeting in Vallejo on August 3rd. I expected the meeting to be a continuation of pressure for us to recruit new members, but was pleasantly surprised that the emphasis had changed to 'How to improve' the overall enjoyment of SIR for all members. That 'new' emphasis was on the addition of more activities other than the most popular Golf and Bowling, and Cards. Our Branch, as it turns out, is one of the leading edge groups that have added new activities like Walking, Movie Buffs, RVing and others prior to this meeting. We are far behind one of the top Branches that offer over 60 different activities (250 members). I asked the Big SIR of that branch to name their top OTHER activities (that we do not already have) ----- and they were: Beer Tasting, BBQ's, Wine Tasting, Dancing, Dominoes (Mexican Train) and Veterans. I will be working with Activities Director Dick Donald to add some of these to our activities. If you would like to become a coordinator of one of these new activities----you a wine connoisseur??? Beer Connoisseur (guzzler)??? Got a secret BBQ sauce???? Just let Dick or I know so that we can get a sign-up started.

During the meeting of the Corporation, we elected new SIR State Officers: the top two are Buck Kendrick President, and Robert Mannell Vice President. To see the complete elected group of officers Check out our fine SIR website at: <http://sirinc.org>

Don't forget ----next meeting is SEPTEMBER 1st.

Eric Jensen
Big SIR

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

September Guest Speaker:

Jim Wangeman, Harvest Park Bowl. History of a Bowling Proprietors Dream-the success story of Harvest Park Bowl in Brentwood



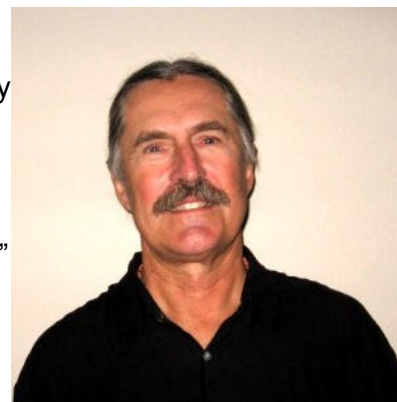
Travel

Our travel agent is getting closer to SIR approval. When that happens (hopefully by October), I've asked them to put together a Bus trip to San Francisco to see the King Tut exhibit (most likely on a Thursday). If you'd be interested in this tentative trip, please let me (Bob Damico) know. I need an approximate count for planning/pricing purposes.

New Member

My name is James Amen Maddox, and I go by "Jamie". My wife, Donna, and I have lived in Discovery Bay since November 06 when we moved here from near Tahoe City, California. I worked in the Tahoe ski industry for many years. I left the position of Assistant General Manager at Ski Homewood to live in the Delta semi-retired and take care of my San Francisco taxicab permit, which I have had since '84. I worked as a cab driver in SF beginning in '75, and still do some cab driving to this day. Recently I have decided to semi- and eventually completely retire from my small business "The Palmist" which I started in Discovery Bay in 2000 to make a little extra money and stay in good physical shape.

Donna and I have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. Our oldest daughter and the grandkids live here in Discovery Bay. My hobbies are playing bluegrass music (5-string banjo), bowling, golf, fly fishing, and gardening. I am excited to get involved with SIR bowling, golf, and social events. Thank you for having me in the group.



JAMES AMEN MADDOX

August Free Lunch Winners

Andy Zwemer
Vince Vargas

September Lunch Menu

Chicken Parmesan, Pasta Alfredo and Vegetables

Future Attraction

The annual Christmas Luncheon is coming up December 8, 2009. That is a ways off-but mark your calendars. We have VERRRRY special entertainment for our ladies this year!! Tickets will be limited, so get yours early...More information and tickets will be available in October...



SIR Activities

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 a.m. 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....

Poker - Dick Donald -513-2849

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

Breakfast with the Guys – Ray Serafin – 516-8321

There will be a Breakfast with the Guys on Tuesday, September 15, at 7:30 AM at the Byron Cafe in the Discovery Bay Shopping Center (near Safeway).

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 Thursday at 7 pm (at least until the weather turns!!) 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 wiffle 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 THURSDAY AT 7 PM AT CORNELL PARK

Any question call SIR members

Bob Lyman 513-1939 or ralyman@mac.com

Or

Pete Dean 634-9005 or padean@sbcglobal.net

September Birthday Boys

WAYNE BERRY
TONY GUARASCIO
TOM KENNY
BOB WILLIAMS

AL CIARAMELLA
JOHN HOMAN
DON ROTH

ED FITZPATRICK
JOHN JEWELL
TOM STATE

THE BRIDGE TABLE

I am happy to report that Mike Witnov has joined us again, Welcome back Mike

We ended up with 2 tables or 8 players Rich Kier came in first place with 4370 points and Frank Cramer came in second with 2980 points

We're still looking for players to join us, you have to have some players experience; we don't have the man power to teach. But you are welcome to watch us play and get some idea what bridge is all about

We all have a good time, and that is most important.

The next Bridge game is schedule for September 15th at 1:00

As always stay Healthy

Lex Overzet
Phone # 634- 4614

BOWLING NEWS 2009 Branches 161/ 108

SEPTEMBER BOWLING NEWS

The results from the tournament held in Napa are in. Vick Vasquez did a great job placing 3rd in "B" Division Singles and along with his partner Tom Kirtley placed 2nd in "B" Division Doubles. Tom also took 13th place in All Events.

Our Sixth Annual Bob Matteucci Memorial Bowling Tournament is going to be held Tuesday, October 20th or Thursday, October 22nd at Harvest Park Bowl in Brentwood. This is an opportunity for those of you who have not bowled in a tournament to see how much fun these tournaments can be.

The Fall Monday Morning Bowling is going to start on September 14th at Harvest Park Bowl. There will be a meeting at 9:00a.m. SHARP and Bowling will begin at 9:30 am.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

September 28th or 29th in Fremont at Cloverleaf Bowl

October 5th or 7th in Citrus Heights at Fireside Lanes

OCTOBER 20TH OR 22ND IN BRENTWOOD AT HARVEST PARK BOWL

GOOD LUCK AND GOOD BOWLING TOM KIRTLEY AND BILL BAYER



GOLF NEWS FOR SIRS BRANCHES 108/161 2009

We had 27 players at Swenson Park on a long and wet golf course. The scores were higher than normal as a result. Some team scores were good and they were the winners.

1st place 92 Giannini, F. Smith, Pacheco, Vargas
2nd place 95 Socher, Fitzpatrick, Kenny, Bruton
Tie for 3rd 98 Carr, Macbride, Kirtley, Fry
Pfirrman, Lopp, Bree, Konold
Zwemer, Momaney, Dickens, A. Anderson



Closest to the pin was Remy Giannini on #5 hole.

Future tournament info is that the only golf event in September is at Green Horn Resort. Call **Will Myers** if you are interested.

The October 20 tournament will be at Tracy CC and this will be the club championship. There will be more info about that in a month of so. I will send a list of those who qualified. I urge all of you who are interested in playing Tracy CC, even if you have not qualified with 2 played events in 2009, to sign up. You can participate in the day and for the prizes, just cannot win the Club Championship. If there any questions, please call Dale Welin.

Dinner with the Ladies

When: 22 September 2009

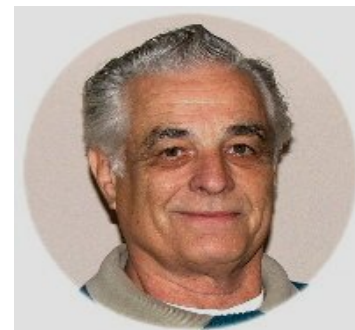
Where: Schooner's Grille & Brewery. 4250 Lone Tree Way, Antioch, CA

Time: Dinner Served at 6.00 p.m.

Menu Choices: Include Salad, Dessert, non alcoholic drink (ice tea/soft drink coffee and water) and dessert.

Chicken & Ribs, Pub Steak, Rosemary Chicken, & Linguini Alfredo
(Indicate your choice below)

Cost: \$23.00 per person (includes tax and tip)



DEADLINE: Need your RSVP no later the 16 September 2009 (There will be envelopes at our General Meeting on September 1, 2009. If you will please send your checks and menu choices to me prior it would be helpful.

Make your checks out to **M. E. White** and mail to
2146 Sand Point Rd., Discovery Bay, CA 94505. Phone: 634-0415

-----Detach and return this stub with your menu choices-----

You're Name(s)

_____ **Phone** _____

You're Menu Choice(s)

Chicken & Ribs _____ Pub Steak _____

Rosemary Chicken _____ Linguini Alfredo _____

Schooner Grill & Brewery is located at the corner of Deer Valley Rd. and Lone Tree Way. Schooner's is across from the Cinema Theater.

Make a Note!

Last day to obtain an
Excused absence for next meeting is August 7th
Call Len Fadda 513-0738 or e-mail me at
lenandlinda1@yahoo.com
Be sure to notify him
If you are bringing a Guest



. **In This Issue...**Big Sir Speaks, Bowling News, Travel News, Golf News, the Bridge Table, and Dinner with the Ladies, and Sir Activities

I would like to thank all that participated in joining to get the snail mail and e-mail out one week early.

Eric Jensen, Bob Damico, Dick Donald, Lex Overzet, Tom Kirtley, Bill Bayer, Dale Welin, Mike White, Frank Tisch and LaVan Bock

Thanks You: Wayne Berry Editor

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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