



~The SIR LAKE TAHOE BRANCH 160~

CHARTERED APRIL 22, 1991

MEMBERSHIP OPEN TO MEN REGARDLESS OF AGE, RACE, COLOR, OR RELIGION

GETTING TOGETHER FOR LUNCH AND ENJOYING OUR VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

HIGH MOUNTAIN NEWS

FEBRUARY 2023

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 27, 2023 FANDANGO CASINO CARSON CITY



My Fellow SIR Members,

As we begin this year, I want to look for opportunities for more interaction of our members. Adding some new Activities would be a way to do that. If you have ideas for new Activities for the Branch, come to the BEC meeting and tell us about it.

Branch 160 ended 2022 with a little over 100 members. Usually when we get together there is always a sense of friendship and comradery. It's why most of us joined Branch 160. This sense of fellowship is extremely strong even though we fall nearly evenly into three levels of participation:

- 1) **Active** - where we participate in one of Branch 160's different activities and make it most all the events and meetings.
- 2) **Reserve** - where we read Newsletter and attend most of the meetings.
- 3) **Interested** – We try to keep up-to-date with the goings-on in the Branch but only attend a few meetings.

It's important to remember we're all friends – so let's keep communicating and participating where you can. We should remember to reach out to old friends both in SIR and in our larger communities. Remember the simple mission of SIR is “to enrich the lives of our members through fun activities and events while making friends for life.” Why not call a friend today who you haven't seen in a while? Take the time to reach out and say “Hi.” Invite someone to our meeting to hear another excellent speaker on February 27. Fellowship is infectious in the most positive way. It's better than the alternative!

Lastly, a big thanks to Little SIR, Jim Maxedon, for his effort in managing our first round of electronic sign-up for the January meeting. The majority of the members commented that they liked the new process. No doubt it will be periodically tweaked to make it easier and easier to use, but it is a big step forward in getting a more accurate headcount for our meetings.

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If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call me or drop me an email and I will try to answer you to the best of my ability or will find the answer for you. My email is jtomk01@aol.com and my cell number is (925) 202-5922.

Your Big SIR, Tom Kerns



Members who attended our January luncheon were treated to an interesting presentation by Colin West from Clean Up The Lake. Unfortunately we had some issues in the Club 55 Room with the audio/visual hookup, but we are working with the Fandango staff to make sure we don't have a repeat in the future.

Presentations are a key feature of our monthly meeting, and we hope you are enjoying them. We are working at securing future speakers for the remainder of the year. February's speaker will be a representative from the Pine Nut Wild Horse Advocates. We have some feelers out for speakers on a variety of subjects, but we can always use YOUR suggestions on topics as well as your connections and associations with people and organizations of interest. Please contact me if you have an idea or connection that can add to our schedule of speakers.

Your branch leadership puts a lot of effort into organizing events and communicating with our membership. In January we inaugurated our online sign-up system for the monthly luncheon, and we got decent participation for this first iteration. About 50% of members responded to the Google Forms sign-up solicitation in the first two days, and by the time sign-up closed about 75% of members had used the online form to let us know whether or not they would be attending our lunch.

But 25% used the form AFTER being contacted by one of our Callers. In all our Callers attempted to contact 60 members who didn't respond to the email solicitation in a timely manner or who didn't respond at all. And of that number, 25 members never responded to phone calls or voicemails.

Communication between members, Callers, and other leaders is key to robust participation in activities as well as providing accurate information to our caterers at Casino Fandango. To that end we want to encourage all members to be pro-active at their end of the "line". We hope members will be checking emails and voicemails on a regular basis, if not daily. Members can expect to receive lunch sign-up emails about 11 days (two Fridays) before the Monday lunch date. Reminders are sent out the following Sunday.

As members get acquainted with our new process we hope that the Callers will have a shrinking list to contact over time though it will likely never disappear entirely. In the interim, please be responsive to our Google Forms emails OR our Callers' attempts to reach you. And be sure to add jmax77@gmail.com to your email contact list to avoid Google Forms going to SPAM.

Thanks!

Jim Maxedon , Little SIR

Minutes for Business Meeting January 23, 2023

FANDANGO ASINO

Carson City, NV

Big Sir: Tom Kerns called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM, a quorum was present, so the agenda was approved, was as were the minutes of the previous meeting.

Reports:

Big Sir: No report

Little Sir: No report

Treasure: Neil Wolf= Our 2022 audit was complete and verified by Sacramento Office. Our 2023 State assessment will be on going and collection will begin in July. Our 1st quarter state assessment has be paid. Checking Account \$5,798.96, petty cash \$201.00 for a total \$5,999.96.

Attendance: No change 101 members

Bowling: No report

Golf: Weather has been keeping us off the golf Course. Working on the regular schedule.

Head Caller:

Membership: Committee Chair not present - No report

News Letter: Information for newsletter should be in by the 16th of February

Pickle ball: A change in schedule it is now on Tue and Thursday at 10Am

Rooster Sales: Committee Chair not present - No report

Sunshine: Committee Chair not present - No report

Wed Master: No report

Old Business: Review of Christmas Party

New Business: State came out with new awards to recognize branch members. Honorary Life Member pin went to Sig Heidemann other awards, Distinguished Service Award, went to John Lillygren and Joe Tomlin

Electronic Communication: on discussion and will continue to try out online attendance form and email communication of Big SIR to BEC

Adjourn: 1:50 PM

Submitted by Joe Carmona Secretary

Next meeting: 2/27/2023



45ORM 28, SONS IN RETIREMENT MONTHLY CASH REPORT			Branch No.- 160	
Branch No. - 160	Area - 2	Region - 6		
Month - January	Year - 2023		MONTH	YTD
BEGINNING CASH BALANCE (Total Cash)		Line 1	\$5,999.06	\$5,999.06
GENERAL ACCOUNTS				
Receipts				
102 Interest			\$.10	\$.10
103 Other—Assessments				
Subtotal General Receipts		Line 2	\$.10	\$.10
Disbursements				
201 Printing, Supplies etc			\$33.00	\$33.00
202 Postage			\$36.00	\$36.00
205 State Board Pro Rata Assessments			\$220.00	\$220.00
Subtotal General Disbursements		Line 3	\$289.00	\$289.00
NET GENERAL gain / (loss)		Line 4 (2-3)	-\$288.90	-\$288.90
CUSTODIAL ACCOUNTS				
Receipts				
301 Monthly Luncheon			\$1,201.00	\$1,201.00
306 Rooster Items			\$15.00	\$15.00
307 Other 50/50 DRAWING			\$215.00	\$215.00
Subtotal Custodial Receipts		Line 5	\$1,431.00	\$1,431.00
Disbursements				
401 Monthly Luncheon			\$1,260.00	\$1,260.00
407 Other 50/50 PAYOUT			\$100.00	\$100.00
Subtotal Custodial Disbursements		Line 6	\$1,360.00	\$1,360.00
NET CUSTODIAL gain / (loss)		Line 7 (5-6)	\$71.00	\$71.00
ENDING CASH BALANCE (Total Cash)		Line 8 (1+4+7)	\$5,781.16	\$5,781.16

CASH ELEMENTS	
Checking	\$5,580.16
Savings	
Other	\$201.00
Total	\$5,781.16

MEMBERSHIP	
Members	102
Include HLM's	



Report Date 02/02/2023
Patrick M. Patton Branch 160 Treasurer

In 2023 Sir State Assessments are due July \$8.00.

Membership & Luncheon Report
Sons In Retirement – Lake Tahoe Branch 160
Your attendance Chairman, Steve Butts



January 2023

Total Member previous report (101)
Members Dropped (0)
Members not attending meeting suspended (1) Bob
Murphy
Member reinstated (0)
Total Members this report (101)
Medical Leave (1) Dave Best

Members on activity suspension for failure to attend 3
meetings in last 12 rolling months. Members must also
pay their overdue assessments before resuming
activities effective 1/1/23. Tim Boyles 0, Neil Fox 1, Kurt
Shantz 2, Corwyn Mossman 2, Dave Nolte, Randy
Ramosclotti 0, Will Smith 2, Ron Senella 0, John
Vandervot 2, Ed Waggoner 2, Bob Murphy 0, Mark
O’Driscoll 1. Don Hanifen 1, Jerry Beauchamp 1, Bob
Reifenburg 2, Roger Hughes 2

Excused Snow Bird (10) Kurt Shantz, Larry Tinker, Mike
Patton, Neil Fox, Ed Waggoner, Mike Parapid, Marshal
McCurdy, Jim Cooper, Russ Dow, David Scott

Prospective new members not attending meeting Pete
Matherne, Harold Allen

Total excused members (11)

Total Active Members minus Excused Members (90)

Total number unexcused not at meeting (41)

Total Members attending meeting (49)

Speaker (1) Colin West

Total present (52)

SIR Branch 160 2023 Calendar

- February 27 Regular Meeting 10am-2pm
- March 27 Regular Meeting 10am-2pm
- April 24 Regular Meeting 10am-2pm
- May 22 Morning Meeting 8:30am-Noon
- June 26 Morning Meeting 8:30am-Noon
- July 24 Morning Meeting 8:30am-Noon
- August 28 Morning Meeting 8:30am-Noon
- September 25 Picnic
- October 23 Regular Meeting 10am-2pm
- November 13 Regular Meeting 10am-2pm
- December 11 Christmas Party

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BOYS

*BILL THOMAS, ALAN NORTON,
RONALD SPENELLA, WAYNE FELETAR,
KIP STEEL, GORDON SALAS,
JOSEPH DeANGELO*



SUNSHINE REPORT

**Our Sunshine Chairman is Mike Vadnais His
phone number is 775-546- 0810. Let Mike know
if someone is under the weather or if a family
member is not well.**

ROOSTER SALES

~NOTICE ON SALE NOW~

SUPPORT "The SIR" ~ DRESS IT UP



WITH ROOSTER PINS,
HATS AND SHIRTS.
SHOW HOW PROUD
YOU ARE TO BE A
SIR!!

HATS ~\$15

VESTS ~\$29.50

POLO SHIRTS~ \$16/\$21

WICKING SHIRTS~\$20/24/30

PINS ~ SMALL \$2/LARGE \$3

GOLF/BOWLING TOWELS ~\$9

Start looking good!

DAVE TIONGCO



MEMBERS ANNIVERSARY
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY
2017 MICHAEL PARAPID

Visit the SIR Website at sirinc.org and read "**SIR HAPPENINGS**"—the SIR State Newsletter. Sir Branch 160 Web Site is up and running.
https://sirinc2.org/z_branch160/index.html

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**BADGE DRAWING WINNER FOR
JANUARY LUNCHEON
BOB DRABANT**

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.

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 welcome.



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NEWSLETTER

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