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LAKE OF THE PINES BRANCH 170

NEXT MEETING
MAR 2, 2011



BIG SIR - GLENN DELISLE

Our February meeting and luncheon on Groundhog Day saw super weather and a very good meal. Unfortunately, the bright sun scared the groundhog into his den and we face another six weeks of winter! We obtained four directors to serve on our Nominating Committee to select potential SIR officers for 2012. Thanks go to Al Cash, Don Miller, Bob House and Larry Shelley for devoting time to that committee. Our branch fiscal report was sent to headquarters by Don Jenkins and John Brewer. The quarterly report for the end of 2010 is in the mill and will be submitted soon.

We have 109 members. Today, four new members were brought on board – Doug Rea, Tom Petro, Alan Gustafson and Lynn Caudle. For membership information, contact Phil Jones at 268-7714.

SIR golf schedule for 2011 will be confirmed at the March meeting. For further information contact Woody Cowles at 268-3624.

Hal Wallace reported that New Years at the Empress Hotel in Victoria, British Columbia, was outstanding, and 15 from LOP attended. Information on new travel offerings will be available in the near term. Hal Wallace (phone 613-1035) can answer questions concerning SIR travel.

A surprise occurred for men with their birthday this month (and in each following month) that was a drawing for a free lunch next month. Phil Jones was the prize-winning birthday boy for February. So, if a SIR member has a birthday in March, attend the luncheon and a free meal may be yours.

Our branch has a website. Go to LOP website, select Clubs, then SIR. On that page a sentence reads, "Link to Branch 170 SIR website." Gary Resnick developed this for us.

After lunch, Little Sir, Roger Pope, introduced our guest speaker, Tom Schuyler. Tom is an LOP resident, a SIR, a past member of the LOP Board of Directors, and an author. Tom spoke of his efforts in writing and publishing his novel, "The Rightful Heirs." This is mystery with its roots in World War II, the Holocaust and the potentially lost fortune of several Italian-Jewish families; and efforts to recover that fortune. This is not a story of atrocities but rather an attempt to portray a thread of good that evolved from this evil page of history. Publishing the book proved difficult. Three chapters were sent to 42 publishers. Only two responded and they were negative. Next, he went to self publishers who would help for a fee. This was not successful until he got help from a company called 3L Publishing. They asked for changes that made the book more marketable and the book is now available. Information on where the book can be obtained is on the Net at www.therightfulheirs.com. A very good program. Thanks to Tom and Roger Pope.

Don't forget to BRING A GUEST TO OUR MARCH 2 LUNCHEON. Until next month --- !

LITTLE SIR - ROGER POPE

I think I'm getting better at this. I at least remembered to tell two jokes at the last meeting.

Glenn tells me that according to the SIR LEADER'S GUIDE, the Little Sir even gets to do more at the meetings. I can hardly wait.

I thought Tom Schuyler did a great job as guest speaker for the month of February. I hope he inspired all of you budding authors to get out there and get published.

The speaker for the month of March will be Michael Beaman, President of Safe Inheritance Corporation. He has been in the financial services industry since 1980. Michael specializes in the long-term care field. His company helps seniors find available State benefits for long-term care. This topic is one that many of us may face in coming years.

HEALTH CHAIRMAN STEVE PARKS

Again Neil Weaver is the only one down that I know about. His wife, Elsie, said on Feb. 8 that they had consulted a pulmonary specialist who prescribed another antibiotic but says the chest film was not clearing.

Elsie says she has pneumonia now also but is responding to antibiotics.

A couple of good definitions – a COMMITTEE – a body that keeps minutes but wastes hours.

INFLATION – cutting money in half without cutting the paper.



Current Big SIR Glenn Delisle presents 2010 BIG SIR Larry Shelley with his Big SIR pin



Feb guest speaker Tom Schuyler

MEMBERSHIP - PHIL JONES

This month's report has good news and bad news. The good news is that we will be introducing three new members to our Branch at the March meeting, bringing our total active membership to 112. The bad news is that when compiling the information to bring the roster up to date and print a new book for the membership a few mistakes were made due to the lack of current information. I will provide an addendum with the corrections. I am asking again that if you see a mistake with your listing please notify me so I can make the corrections. The next meeting is on March 2nd. Our motto for the year should be, come to the meeting, enjoy your-self with friends, and bring a guest.

MARCH MENU

**CORNER BEEF
AND CABBAGE**



COFFEE AND DESSERT

VEGETARIAN MEAL OFFERED

ASK YOUR PHONE REP

FREE LUNCH WINNERS



PHIL JONES

MIKE APCAR

MEET THE NEW MEMBERS



LEFT TO RIGHT

Al Gustavson
Born 2-10-1930
Wife Grace
Retired 1992
Hobby - Golf

Doug Rea
Born 8-28-1945
Wife Sharon
Retired 2006
Hobbies - Golf, Gardening

Lynn Caudle
Born 5-18-1943
Wife Susie
Retired 2009
Hobbies - Golf,
RV Travel

Tom Petro
Born 3-21-1940
Wife Sandy
Retired 2002
Hobbies - Golf,
Travel, Computer

TRAVEL - HAL WALLACE

Offered by SIR Lake of the Pines

ALASKA and Canada

May 21—28, 2011

Roundtrip Cruise from Seattle aboard the
GOLDEN PRINCESS
7 Nights including ports of call Juneau, Skagway,
Glacier Bay (cruising), Ketchikan, and Victoria, BC

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Tom Anderson Brian Foster

Fred Guice Jim Hearity

Don Jenkins Al Jose

Al Lanza Ed O'Reilly Ken Salman



GOLF: WOODY COWLES

The "Preliminary" 2011 SIR Golf Schedule is posted on the bulletin board by the water/ice machine at the Sports Lounge and also on our SIR web page at lop.org. The details for the two tournaments at Lake Wildwood on April 27th and September 28th will not be finalized until mid-March. These tournament details will be updated on the web site as soon as we get the information from the SIR Branch 11 team. All other tournament dates are set.

BRANCH 170 OFFICERS

BIG SIR	GLENN DELISLE	268 8624
LITTLE SIR	ROGER POPE	268 4794
SECRETARY	BART NYHAN	268 4756
ASST SEC	LYNDEN LAIRD	268 2622
TREASURER	DON JENKINS	268 0951
ASST TREAS	JOHN BREWER	268 8826
MEMBERSHIP	PHIL JONES	268 7714

BRANCH 170 DIRECTORS

LARRY SHELLEY	268 8369
JIM WILKINSON	268 6695
STEVE PARKS	268 3572
AL CASH	268 6717
BOB ROUSE	268 3706
DON MILLER	268 9520

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PRESIDENT	ROBERT MANNELL
VICE PRESIDENT	JAMES STEDMAN
SECRETARY	ECKART SELLINGER
TREASURER	ADOLPH LOPEZ
REGION 9 DIRECTOR	RICHARD DETMER
AREA 33 GOVERNOR	DONALD DILL

HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBER

STEVE MICHALAK

JOHN BREWER

BRANCH 170 PAST BIG SIRS

ART LAFONTAINE	1994	DEL PRICE	1995
GENE TOPPER	1996, 1997	CLARENCE ROGERS	1998
JOHN O'HALLORAN	1999, 2000	TOM ANDERSON	2001
JOHN BREWER	2002	KEITH PLATT	2003
RON TRIMBLE	2004	STEVE MICHALAK	2005
DON MILLER	2006, 2007	JIM WILKINSON	2008
PHIL JONES	2009	LARRY SHELLEY	2010

DECLARATIONS

NEW SIR WEBSITE

Checkout the new SIR Website by going to the LOP/SIR website and following the prompts

BRANCH 170 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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HEALTH	STEVE PARKS	268 3572
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