



SONS IN RETIREMENT



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**LAKE OF THE PINES
BRANCH 170**

**NEXT MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2010**

BIG SIR - LARRY SHELLEY

I hope you had a joyous Holiday season with friends and family. Our 2009 SIRS year was fantastic due in large part to the outstanding contributions of our Board of Directors and Committee Chairs. My special thanks to Phil Jones for his excellent leadership of our LOP Chapter in 2009, and for taking over the Membership Directorship for 2010. I know that Mel Pimentel can't wait to sink his teeth into his Little SIR job. And thanks again to those who are leaving the Board after many years of dedicated support including Phil Frank, Bill Timbers, and Chuck Mercer. They are legends for the group. New Committee Chairs include Woody Cowles for Golf, and Steve Parks for the Sunshine Committee. With continuing support from our current staff, Lynden Laird, Bill Martin, Don Franzie, Rich Hibbs, Hal Wallace, Vern Bagby, and Doug Wilson, 2010 should be a bang-up year!

Our finale of the year was the Christmas Party at the Clubhouse in December. Well-organized by Steve Michalak and his staff, the group danced wildly to the great sounds of the Mad Dash Band. And Steve and the Mad Dash Band will be back again in 2010!

The Board and I are looking forward to kicking off 2010 with our first luncheon on Wednesday, January 6th. Remember - the SIRS are a non-profit organization established in 1958 for the welfare of retired men. Let's keep it that way!



SIRS 2010 Christmas Dinner/ Dance

SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN - STEVE PARKS

The Christmas Dinner Dance was a great success thanks to Steve Michalak and his helpers. I call Steve a real "sandbagger" now because he was my partner at our recent Darkhorse tournament and bragged about getting into 19 sandtraps!

Fortunately I have no serious conditions to report as of this date.

However Bill Earle had a real close shave on the way back from Thanksgiving in Carson City. Bill got into a whiteout on Hwy. 80 near Yuba Gap. He and others went off the road, down an embankment and totaled his relatively new Lexus. Bill incurred only a few minor bruises to body and ego.

Jim Wolf's wife, Pat, slipped and fell on hole #1. She received a fractured pelvis but is recovering nicely now - who says golf is not a contact sport!

Larry Achen is doing great and helped, as usual, decorating for our Christmas party.

I made it out of my driveway this morning (after our heavy snow). Now I can finally say, I can out drive Tiger!

Merry Christmas
And Happy New Year



LITTLE SIR - MEL PIMENTEL

By the time you receive this it will be the end of the year. It was a great year for our SIRS, we gained almost 20 new members, although we did lose some who moved "up the hill" or down hill to be closer to their family. We will miss them. I believe the reason for our gain in popularity is not only the great time we have visiting our friends and meeting new ones over a good lunch, but the good fortune of having good guest speakers who entertain as well as improve our knowledge on things of interest. This is why I'm a little nervous. Our past "little" Sirs, Larry Shelly and Phil Jones will be hard to follow. I, however, will give it a try. We'll start with something we may be familiar with but not that knowledgeable about. HOSPICE. I've been involved with their work and have been amazed with some of the things they do when it counts the most. Did you know that they've been known to cook meals and Well, I'll let our speaker, Ann Lyon, from Auburn Faith Hospital answer all your questions.

Looking forward to seeing you at our meeting



**FREE LUNCH WINNER
BOB CHAN**



GOLF : WOODY COWLES

Look for the 2010 golf schedule to be completed in January.

MEMBERSHIP - PHIL JONES



A quick reminder. We are getting our new roster for 2010 ready to go to print . Please let us know if there have been any changes in your address, email ,etc.

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Escorted by: Hal Wallace



JANUARY MENU

TIME 12:00
PRICE \$12

MEAT LOAF AND MASHED POTATOES

COFFEE AND DESSERT

VEGETARIAN MEAL OFFERED

ASK YOUR PHONE REP

JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS



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BILL HONSBERGER

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BILL TIMBERS
STEVE MICHALAK

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

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