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Asst Golf ..... George Van Blyenburgh

Historian ..... Open

Membership ..... Gary Grann

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# SONS IN RETIREMENT

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## Gold Country Hauntings

### BIG SIR—Bill Stegman

It is hard to believe, but the year is almost over, and we are already thinking about our annual Christmas Party. You will find an announcement on your tables that provides the pertinent information for this year's Ladies' Day Lunch. It is important that you make your reservations as soon as possible because our space is limited.

Today's speaker is going to address his personal experiences in the Arctic. He has very profound ideas regarding global warming. While we may or may not agree with him, let's make sure we give him our full attention and listen to what he has to say.

This week, the final SIRS 95 Golf Championship was held. Although I don't know the results as I am writing this, special thanks, once again, to Brian Upton and George VanBlyenburgh for making this year so enjoyable. I look forward to 2010 and the new courses that you may select.

### From Larry Keenan - Overheard after the SIR 95 golf tourney:

Cell phone on table in club lounge rings.

A Sir engages hands free speaker function and says,

Sir: "Hello"

Woman on the phone: "Honey, it's me. Have you finished?"

Sir: "Yes, were just now tallying up the scores."

Woman: "I am at the mall and found a beautiful leather coat. It's only \$3,500.00. Can I buy it?"

Sir: "OK, go ahead if you like it."

Woman: "I also stopped in at the Mercedes dealership at Town Center and saw the new models. I saw one that I really liked."

Sir: "How much?"

Woman: "90,000.00."

Sir: "For that price I want all the options."

Woman: "OK, I'll see you later. Love you."

Sir: "Bye, I love you too."

The Sir hangs up. The other Sir's are looking at him in astonishment and disbelief. Then he asks: "Anyone know who this phone belongs to?"

**Sand Traps**  
by Brian Upton

**Empire Ranch Tournament -  
September 1, 2009**

**First: Joel Enns**  
**Second: Bill Ross**  
**Third: Keith Hepler**

**Mather Tournament -  
September 8, 2009**  
**Two Man Best Ball**

**First: Simko/Stegman**  
**Second: Tomlinson/Hepler**  
**Third: Emrich/Mamone**

**Wildhawk Tournament -  
September 15, 2009**

**First: Larry Keenan**  
**Second: Gary Grann**  
**Third: Ron Waisner**

**Timber Creek -  
October 1, 2009 (Rescheduled  
From September 24, 2009)**

**First: Roy Emrich**  
**Second: M. Ramsay**  
**Third: Bill Stegman**  
**Fourth: Jim Villa**

**Closest-to-Pin**

**Empire Ranch - Front 9-Gary Grann**  
**Back 9 -Bill Ross**  
**Mather - Front 9-Bob Mello**  
**Back 9-Joel Enns**  
**Wildhawk - Jim Villa**  
**Timber Creek - Front 9-B. Stegman**  
**Back 9-Joel Enns**

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**Golf**  
by Brian Upton

Congratulations to Gary Grann, Bill Stegman, Paul Tomlinson and Roy Emrich who qualified for our club championship round to be played in October. We will soon crown a new 2009 club champion.

***THINGS TO CONSIDER:***

If you find you do not mind playing golf in the rain, the snow, even during a hurricane, here's a valuable tip: your life is in trouble.

Golf's a hard game to figure. One day you'll go out and slice it and shank it, hit into all the traps and miss every green. The next day you go out and for no reason at all you really stink.



**October Birthdays**

Carl Backers  
Mike Bendel  
Dave Crockett  
Joe Giacomini  
Ralph Haessler  
T Hanson-Smith  
Larry Keenan  
Neal Lucey  
Carl Reppert  
Bob Scheidegger  
Walt Tingley  
Tom Trafzer  
Jim Villa  
Robert Webb  
Orville Wegat

**Membership**  
by Gary Grann

Chuck Le Pere has sent letters to twelve members who have been delinquent in their attendance and to-date I have received three responses. Don Ring and Ted Ryon have requested to resign and Dom Ruggieri has indicated he intends to remain a member, but will be out of the state until the end of October. In addition I received a request from Jack O'Camb to change his membership to "Inactive" status.

With the above changes in the SIRs Branch # 95 membership, the total number of "Active" members for October 2009 stands at 159 members.

**Churchill Quotables**

An exchange between Churchill & Lady Astor:

Lady Astor: "If you were my husband I'd give you poison."

Churchill: "If you were my wife, I'd drink it."

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire."

I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use being anything else.

"Ending a sentence with a preposition is something up with which I will not put."

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***Bulletin Updates***

Please provide items for the  
**November 2009 Bulletin**  
to Jon Jakowatz by  
**Sunday, November 1, 2009.**

E-mail:  
**SIR95Bulletin@jakowatz.net**

***Location for SIR Luncheon***

**Placerville Elks Lodge**  
3821 Quest Ct.,  
Shingle Springs, CA  
TEL. 530.672.9120.

Happy Hour 11:00 a.m.  
Lunch 12:00 noon

***Websites***

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