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BIG SIR – Kevin King

Hello fellow SIRs. Can you believe it’s already February? The Christmas decorations are put away (mostly), there are a few more minutes of sunshine each day and spring training is around the corner. What’s not to love? Oh, that reminds me, don’t forget Valentine’s Day on the 14th.

I mentioned last month that one of our goals this year is to improve the overall luncheon experience. As you know, we’ve talked to Empire Ranch in recent months about the rising cost and overall value of the lunches and members’ challenges in hearing our speakers. Empire Ranch indicated there wasn’t anything they could do with the rising costs due to minimum wage increases. To address the sound issues, they purchased a new amplifier in November, and we’ve toyed with the room layout the past few months to try to address the sound issues. Based on last month’s response, we’re still not there. As I announced last month (but you may not have heard...sorry), a venue committee was established to look for alternative sites to hold our meetings. Terry Privott identified 29 potential sites and the criteria for evaluating them. As of this writing, a small group of us has visited many of these sites and have narrowed the list to a half dozen or so. More information will be shared at our meeting. I ask that you continue to be patient and work with us as we continue to address these very important issues.

Don’t forget to pay your annual dues this month. The Branch Executive Committee (BEC) voted to raise the dues to \$40 this year to ensure we can continue to maintain our existing programs (i.e., birthday and door prizes) as well as to absorb the increasing lunch costs to our members (partially at least), speakers and guests. Thanks to those who already paid following last month’s meeting. Let’s keep the conversation going....

“There’s no use talking about the problem unless you talk about the solution.” - Betty Williams Nobel Peace Prize laureate

LITTLE SIR – Oli Bohlman

I hope everyone is having a great February. Don’t forget your wives or sweethearts on Valentine’s Day.

Our speakers today are Michael Beebe and Jeff Allen, TSA supervisors.

Today’s topic is Transportation Security Administration Update.

Baseball!! Giants & Athletics – See last page



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