

SONS IN RETIREMENT LAKE OF THE PINES



BIG SIR - ELMER CURTIS



Our Branch is doing well and still growing with new members joining our ranks each month. To our new members, "Have you asked your neighbors to join in the camaraderie that you now enjoy with your friends and neighbors in SIR"? Invite them and they will come !

Our LITTLE SIR Ron has been providing very interesting speakers for our luncheons. All have, thus far, been interesting, informative and unique, with something of interest for all to enjoy.

Our SIR Golf group has been re-vitalized and doing well. There is always room for more to join them and "SWING FOR SIR"

Bocce ball is next and it is time to step forward and join with the SIR team. Phil Jones and Bob Chan are the co-captains of this group.

Looking forward to our April meeting which falls on the 1st, so you may want to be a little apprehensive of any trickery.

LITTLE SIR RON WOLYN

I am enjoying being your Little SIR! Thanks for all of the positive feed back. Please let me know what I can do for you to make you a happy SIR. We are all involved in this group to have fun and enjoy the great life LOP and the surrounding area has to offer.

We had another excellent attendance at our March Lunch meeting and enjoyed a good meal. Our speaker, Rev. Don Baldwin, was both entertaining and educational. Don's first person dramatization of John Muir kept all those in attendance on the edge of their seats. Our April Speaker will be Jacques Mercier, Proprietor and Winemaker for Solune Winery.

Jacques graduated College with a degree in Chemistry, and later decided that his educational background would lead him to be an excellent "mixologist" and winemaker. We'll hear his story and his "histoire d'amour" with wine.

Our last golf tournament, held at Morgan Creek, was a success with one of the best Branch #170 turn outs recorded. We had some winners too! The March 23rd Tournament will be at Empire Ranch, and on April 27th at Wood Creek. I hope we can continue to grow our participation. I recommended that we allow those golfers who would prefer teeing off from the green tees to do so, and it has been implemented for all future Tournaments. This should speed up the pace of play and allow more members to have an enjoyable round.

Don't forget to invite a friend to the next lunch meeting, lunch is free for their first visit! AND a reminder... we are keeping luncheon attendance records which will be used when we start booking the Christmas Dinner Dance. Those of you who have participated will be pleased to know that you will be moved to the front of the line for reservations.



MARCH LUNCHEON



<u>LEFT</u> Guest Speaker Don Baldwin tells about the life of John Muir



<u>RIGHT</u> New Members Dave Finck, Brian Lewis Jim Meyer and Ray Tschihart



<u>ABOVE</u> Randy Friesen takes over the singing duties from Verne Bagby

MEMBERSHIP PHIL JONES



MEMBERS 137

NEW MEMBERS 4

INACTIVE MEMBER



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

GENE MYERS GLENN DELISLE STEVE PARKS STEVE MICHALAK LYNDEN LAIRD BOB MARTINET DON NURISSO PETER KENYON JIM WILKERSON HARRY ANDRIS CARL PAQUIN

HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERS

STEVE MICHALAK

JOHN BREWER

SUPER SENIOR SIR MEMBER

BILL HAGIN

SENIOR SIR MEMBERS

TOM HASLETT

BILL SWENSON

AL JOSE

LEIF SUNDBLOM

TRAVEL MEL PIMENTEL

SIRS Lake of the Pines Invites YOU to join in on the fun....

Yellowstone Experience: A "Wildlife Safari" June 8-14, 2015

Rustic mountain scenery, geothermal wonders, and wildlife experiences you will never forget! See America's first National Park in a new, unique way! Visit the Antelope Island State Park, Old Faithful, the Grizzly & Wolf Discovery Center! Enjoy a float down Snake River and a performance by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir! From \$2,425.





Buffalo Round Up September 23-28, 2015

Feel the rumbling thunder as hundreds of buffalo are rounded up for this Old Western tradition! View from a designated corral as cowboys round up over 1,200 head of buffalo for the annual branding, sorting, and vaccinating. Enjoy a ride on the

historic 1880 Steam Train, visit Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and explore historic Deadwood: the last great gold rush in America! From \$2,010.

Branson October 5-10, 2015

Come experience why they call it "live entertainment capitol of the world!" Enjoy Clay Cooper's country show, a Dogwood Canyon Tram tour, and a guided tour of Eureka Springs. Enjoy Branson favorites, such as the Showboat Branson Belle Dinner Cruise, the Brett Family Singers, and the New Jersey Nights just to name a few! From \$2,220.





Cuba October 10-18, 2015

Be among the first American travelers in five decades to enjoy the heart of Cuba and fully embrace the Cuban culture with the locals! Highlights include: city tours of Havana and Trinidad, Ernest Hemingway's Cuban home, amazing architecture, great jazz music, and delicious food! Come discover the new Cuba! From \$4,800.

Great Gatsby Getaway September 12-17, 2015

You are cordially invited to attend 3 luxurious roaring 20's parties at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, Michigan! With the Grand Hotel Orchestra playing music of the era, here is your chance to swing the night away! Step back in time, as there are no motorized vehicles on the island; instead, horse drawn carriages are the mode of transportation. Venture into the main part of town and indulge in the famous fudge shops! From \$2,180.



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MENU

You will receive the menu with the e-mail that asks if you are attending the lunch. There will be a salad and plated entree. This allows the chef more time to put together the most cost effective lunch for us. Saving the association (and us) money

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FREE LUNCH WINNERS

BRIAN FOSTER

DON NURISSO

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