



SIR Branch 96 Amador Amblings

LUNCH SERVED AT 11:30 AM SAINT SAVA MISSION, JACKSON, CA

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SIR BRANCH 96 MEETS THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Lunch will be served at 11:30

If you cannot attend a luncheon meeting, please contact Rich Broderson at 296-1605

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Big Sir Report

Well, one month down, 11 to go. I'm still looking for volunteers to fill in the following positions. Membership Chairman, SunShine Chairman, Programs Assistant, Attendance Assistant. If I still don't get any volunteers, I'm gonna pull out an old Navy trick!

I'm hoping to hear back soon from Tim Danielson about installing new speakers in the St. Sava Mission.

Call in if not attending a luncheon... Rich Broderson 296-1605 is now the person to call if you can't attend a luncheon. We've had 498 people last year, NOT call to say they weren't attending. It is then up to Dani to deal with the extra food and it's not fair to the St. Sava Mission. To avoid the cost of lunch increasing further and to avoid providing a head count, we need each of our members to call the Attendance Chairman if they can not attend a luncheon.

Big Sir, Joe Cardana



February Menu

- Chicken Fried Steak
- Mashed Potatoes and Country Gravy
- Vegetables
- Tossed Salad
- Rolls and Butter
- Coffee and Dessert

MONTHLY REPORT

Total Members: 192
 Present Members: 133
 Excused Members: 23
 Unexcused Members: 32
 Percent Present: 70%
 Percent YTD: 70%

Big Sir for 2012, Joe Cardana, is surrounded by Branch 96 Officers, Board of Directors and Activity Chairman. Sitting left to right, Keith Creighton, Ass't Secretary, Tim Jelsch, Secretary, Big Sir Joe Cardana and Tom Turner, Little Sir





February Birthdays



John Asmus, George Demcak, Kenneth Edwards, Frank Fasmer, Gerald Hummel, John Lewis,
Robert Martin, Joseph Mcgee, Richard Pastorino, Dean Patterson, Dennis Rosengren,
L Sanders, John Stettler, Lee Williams, Gene Young

Fishing Club

Lake Pardee will reopen for the 2012 season on February 17th. Bank fishing will probably be the best bet. The following table shows that the reservoir water conditions are very good. I contacted BIG MACK CHARTERS at Lake Tahoe for a spring charter. He is available for a trip mid-week the 25th of April. In case of extreme weather or unusual water conditions on the 25th, back-up date will be April 26, 2012. With a group of eight to twelve fishermen we will reserve the boat



for ourselves (The head count presently is five, the more going reduces the cost per fisherman). You will need a fishing license before boarding (a daily will do) and all fishing gear, tackle, and bait are provided. Daily and seasonal licenses can be purchased on-board the morning of our fishing day (if you have not already purchased your 2012 seasonal license, buying on the boat will help the boat Captain out with Department of Fish and Game). We are expecting to catch Lake (Mackinaw), Brown and Rainbow Trout. Each participant will provide their own transportation and any other accommodations. Let me know your interests. Remember that we meet before each Luncheon Meeting outside the front door. Dee

Reservoir Status On MARCH First

Reservoir	% capacity	%average this date	feet down from full
Pardee	90	95	9
Camanche	60	102	26
New Hogan	53	126	8
New Melones	82	143	85

SIRS #96 RV Group

We had our annual luncheon and planning meeting for the SIRS96 RV Group at Mel and Faye's on January 13 with 59 members and guests in attendance. Presently we have 36 paid members. If you missed out on the luncheon, membership is open to all SIRS96 members. Dues are \$15 per calendar year.

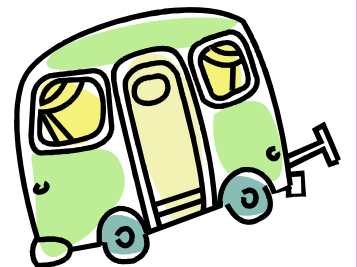
The following trips are firmed up for 2012:

Santee Lake/San Diego - late April early May - Hav Stagg Trail Boss

Oregon Coast - mid July - Bob Bain Trail Boss

Death Valley - first week of November - Jeff Pace Trail Boss

If you have any comments, questions or would like to join the fun please contact us.



Our SIR's RV group is open to any SIR at any time. If you wish to join, see Tom Rushing or Bob Bain.

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Travel Talk

National Cherry Blossom Festival, 100th Anniversary, April 11-16, 2012. **SPECIAL HIGHLIGHTS:** Reserved seating at the National Blossom Parade; Tram tour of Arlington National Cemetery; Capitol Hill; Lunch and entertainment on the Odyssey Cruise Ship; National Memorials; Museums of the Smithsonian Institution; Visit the Kennedy Center; Mount Vernon; Visit the Newseum; **Escorted by Lee Suess, Assistant Travel Chairman**. Brochures will be available at all SIR luncheon meetings at the reception desk.

CRUISE THROUGH THE SAN JUAN ISLANDS, SEPTEMBER 9 - 14, 2012. Cruise through the pristine waters and narrow passageways aboard the Viking Star, view Orca whales and other wildlife, talk with our knowledgeable captain and crew about the biology and geology of the area, and enjoy three nights in the town of Friday Harbor, the heart of the San Juan Islands and **two nights in Leavenworth (Little Bavaria)**. Tour includes:

- Home pick-ups for round trip airport transfers;
- Round trip airfare to Seattle;
- 5 Nights accommodations;
- 10 Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners; • Luggage handling, all applicable taxes, gratuities for driver & Guides, port charges and on board tips are included. **Escorted by Lee Suess, Assistant Travel Chairman**

Lee at 296-2235 / baldeagle@volcano.net

~ or ~

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LUNCH NO SHOWS

This past year has shown a deplorable number of unexcused members at our monthly luncheon meetings, **498 to be exact**. This is intolerable. Branch 96 is one of the very few SIR Branches that is not required to provide a head count to its lunch caterer. The St. Sava Mission has extended this privilege to our Branch for the past 20 years. If we eventually are required to provide a head count to our caterer and you don't show up, it becomes an obligation for us to pay for the lunch.

So the bottom line is, that if we don't do a better job of helping the St. Sava Mission with our lunch estimates, we may very well find ourselves having to supply a head count each month to the mission.

Therefore, if you are unable to attend a Branch 96 luncheon meeting, **Please** call our attendance chairman, Rich Broderson at 296-1605 or email him at rbroderson@volcano.net no later than the Sunday prior to the luncheon meeting.

Community Brief

Son's In Retirement Branch 96 next luncheon is scheduled for February 2nd at the St. Sava Mission at 604 Mission in Jackson. A buffet lunch is served at 11:30 followed by a short business meeting and a program. Ginger Rolf, Coordinator for the STARS (Support, Transportation And Resources Service) cancer program of Amador County, will talk about the program. For more information about the SIR organization and Branch 96, check out www.sir96.org and/or call Lee Suess at 296 2235.

Submitted by: Paul Murphy, 223 5615, Program & Publicity Chairman



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NEXT LUNCHEON MEETING:

Thursday February 2, 2012

The Branch Executive Committee meets on the First Thursday of the month in the American Legion Ambulance Training Room at 9:00 am. All interested members of SIR are invited to attend.

For a ride to the luncheon meetings you may contact in the Camanche Village, Ione area:

Bill Garrett-Phone 274-6793.

From the Pine Grove, Volcano, Pioneer area:

Dick Anderson Phone 223-3613

From Amador City, Drytown, Plymouth, and Fiddletown .Area:

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