

**SONS IN RETIREMENT
TWIN HARTE BRANCH NO. 172
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Meeting Date: Sept. 3, 2012

Place: Pine Tree Restaurant, Sonora, CA

Big Sir Jerry Morrow opened the meeting at 8:00 AM and welcomed Officers, Directors and Committee Chairmen of Branch 172, and called for self introductions. Acting Secretary Larry Bertuccelli reported that a quorum was present (See Attached Attendance Record).

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Acting Secretary Larry Bertuccelli reported that Secretary Dan Mohn had electronically transmitted the July 30, 2012 minutes to all Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs. Big Sir Jerry Morrow called for additions or corrections to the minutes, however, there were none. The minutes were approved as written. (Motion/Second/Passed).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Dennis Honeychurch reported a beginning cash balance of \$5,797.91 and an ending balance of \$5,517.56 for the month of August. The main expenses for the month were: Printing & Supplies - \$113.00; Postage and Delivery - \$135; Guest Expenses - \$60.00; and, State Board Pro Rata Assessment - \$481.50; The Treasurer's Report was approved. (McCracken/Gil).

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Chairman Bill Anning reported that 18 Sirs had called that they would not attend Thursday's luncheon meeting. Assistant Attendance Chair Jim Schneider reported that he had received 4 guest attendance requests.

MEMBERSHIP:

Assistant Membership Chairman Ralph Legg requested approval to accept the membership applications for John Morton, Dave Egan, and Conrad Stayner. All three applications were approved. (Honeychurch/Morrow).

Assistant Membership Chairman Ralph Legg also reported that 4 (four) new members would be inducted at the luncheon meeting on Sept. 6th.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LUNCHEON: Sir Jim McCracken reported that the menu for the September luncheon will be Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes, corn, green salad, and vanilla pudding.

PROGRAM: Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli reported that the speaker for Thursday's luncheon will be Lee Kimball, Director of the ATCAA Food Bank in Jamestown who will provide an overview of her organization's operations.

COMPUTER USERS GROUP: No Report.

WEB PAGE: No Report.

GOLF: Sir Gill Wesson asked for approval for an outing at Castle Oaks Golf Course, Ione, on Sept. 11, 2012.

BULLETIN: Sir Stu Heller requested that all items for the Bulletin be submitted to him no later than September 5, 2012.

PUBLICITY: Sir Gill Wesson advised that the meeting notice has been posted twice recently in the Union Democrat.

MOVIE: Sir Gil Wesson requested approval for *Lunch and a Movie*, and *A Movie and Dinner* for the month of September, the dates to be determined when the titles become known.

TRAVEL: No Report.

RV: Sir Jim Nolan reported that 192 tickets were sold for the Ladies Day Picnic held at Railtown 1897 State Historical Park on August 2, 2012. Sir Nolan advised that the picnic continues to grow each year with increased attendance.

THEATER: Sir Dave Palmer reported that next play will be *I LOVE A PIANO* on September 19th at the Fallon House Theater, hosted by Sir Glenn Mutch. Sir Dave Palmer reported that it is becoming very difficult to find a restaurant that will serve the Theater Group dinner for \$25, including tax and gratuity.

PINOCHLE: Sir Roland Patton advised that there would not be a game this Monday (Labor Day), requested approval for a game on Thursday, Sept. 20th at the Elks Lodge.

HIKING GROUP: Sir Ralph Legg requested approval for a hike on Sept. 25th or 26th to a location TBD dependent on weather conditions.

MOUNTAIN BIKING: Sir Ralph Legg requested approval for a biking trip for a date and location in September TBD.

FISHING: No Report.

FELLOWSHIP: No Report.

PROPANE GROUP: No Report.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS: Sir Cas Munoz reported that High School Sports has not been a popular or successful activity and, due to lack of interest, will be terminating this activity effective immediately.

Sir Cas Munoz solicited interest from BEC members for Horseshoes as an alternative activity that could be started. Sir Munoz will present this idea to the full membership at upcoming luncheons.

APPROVAL OF ACTIVITIES: All requested activities listed in these Minutes are approved by this single motion. MSP (Honeychurch/McCracken).

OLD BUSINESS: Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli reported that there are three unfilled activity positions that remain open for 2013. Those positions are for Chaplain, Jokemaster, and Songmaster. Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli asked that persons interested in filling those positions (or suggestions for persons to fill those positions) contact him directly.

NEW BUSINESS:

Big Sir Jerry Morrow reminded everyone that the luncheon meeting in December will be on Wednesday, December 5th, 2012 with our Christmas Dinner being held on Friday, December 7th, 2012.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 AM.

The next Branch Executive Committee Meeting will be 8:00 AM, Monday, October 1, 2012, at the Pine Tree Restaurant, next to the Best Western Motel, at 19601 Hess Avenue, Sonora, with breakfast starting at 7:00 AM. The monthly luncheons are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Sonora Elks' Lodge, with the exception of August, which is the Ladies Day Picnic, sponsored by the RV Club, at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown.

Larry Bertuccelli
Secretary (Acting)