

**DRY DIGGIN'S
BRANCH 70**
Chartered September, 1977



**OCTOBER
2006**

BIRTHDAYS
**Happy Birthday and don't forget to
pick up your birthday ticket.**

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Frank Dvoracek, Bob Gilmore,
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BIG SIR'S REPORT

We got a number of things accomplished at today's meeting:

Next year's officers were voted into office by acclamation. They officially assume office on Jan ,2007. I won't list all the positions at this time, as there are some pending conformation, manipulation or coercion, at the time of this printing. I will, however, gratefully acknowledge Dale Snyder and John Collens for stepping up to fill the Big and Little Sir positions. If it wasn't for these fine gentlemen, we'd just be coming to meetings to eat and look at one another. That would be rough.

Contract renewal for Branch 70 meeting place: We will have a written ballot vote at our next meeting to determine if we will renew our contract to continue meeting at the Elk's Lodge or seek an alternative.

Travel Arrangements: The idea of having an Area Travel Coordinator is being considered. If this happens, each Branch will select a "Travel Representative" who will simply distribute information, and maybe list names of interested travelers. The Rep will forward the names to the Area Coordinator, who will finalize the arrangements. More on this as things develop.

Membership Flash: Semi-Retired men (i.e. not employed full time) are now eligible for membership in SIR!!! Sponsor one of these guys for membership and you'll get a semi-free lunch!

Today's Speaker was none other than our Little Sir, Bill George. He gave a most informative presentation on the important responsibilities handled by El Dorado County Irrigation District. It's amazing to learn of the wide range of functions and regulations involved in providing the water needs, which we all take for granted.

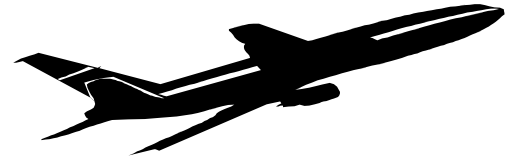
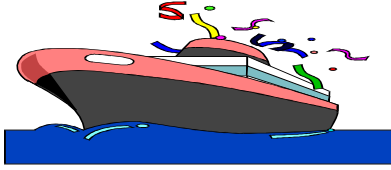
Congratulations to our Area Governor Ron McCall as he moves up the ladder to become Director of Region #2. As mentioned in last month's bulletin, Hal Stevens will be assuming the position of Asst. State Secretary. You can tell the grand kids you knew these gentlemen when..... That's about it for now. Remember, do your best to bring in a guest...Spend some money, you won't have so much. Larry Berger, BIG SIR.

LITTLE SIR'S REPORT: Bill George:

As Larry, our BIG SIR indicated, Bill did it again with a his great presentation on EID. I'm sure he will come up with challenging speaker for our October meeting.

ATTENTION CALLERS: IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM JOHN COLLENS.
Please phone your October 5th Luncheon Reservations to Ray Beckett at 626-0329 as I will be out of town. Please do this no later than **Sunday morning, October 1st.** I will return in late October to take the number of reservations for November.

THE WORLD OF SIR TRAVEL



The following listed trips will be the last SIR events hosted by Bob Stickle. You may want to contact Bob at [530] 621-2131, with regard to future trips he may have scheduled with his newly formed Travel Agency.

INFINITY PANAMA CANAL - SEPTEMBER 23 -October 8, 2006: Cabin Prices from \$2225.00 to 3210.00 per person (Double Occupancy). Price includes Motor Coach Transportation to the San Francisco Pier to start our 16 day Cruise on the Infinity (Celebrity Cruise Line). We will return home by air from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The ports visited will be Cabo San Lucas, Acapulco, Huatulco, Puntarenas, (Costa Rico), Cruise through the whole Panama Canal stopping at Colon, Panama on the way, then Aruba and ending up at Fort Lauderdale. All port charges, Government fees, transfer driver, Skycap, and Stevedore tips are included. Pick up a brochure and check this all out!

PASADENA ROSE PARADE - DEC 29, 2006 - JAN 2, 2007. \$935.00 Per Person [Double Occupancy] Depart by Motor Coach heading to Southern California. The tour features visits to the Brookside Pavilion for a look at the magnificent floats in their final stages of preparation, Crystal Cathedral for the "Glory of Christmas" Pageant, Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific, Gala New Year Celebration with dinner and music from the Big Band Era, Tournament of Roses Parade with reserved seats. Included are 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 4 dinners.



TREASURER'S REPORT

BOB GOGGINS

Br. 70 Funds Available

Checking	\$1664.60
Petty Cash	<u>230.00</u>
Total	\$1894.60

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

JOEL ENNS

Active: 97

Inactive: 11

LIFE IN THE 1500's

The next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here is one fact about the 1500's you might find interesting?

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May, and still smelled pretty good by June. However they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.



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NEXT MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2006
ELKS LODGE
SHINGLE SPRINGS

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CHECKS FOR TRAVEL ACTIVITIES

Checks for travel events of three (3) nights or less shall be made payable to the branch, or, if arranged through a travel agency, checks may be made to an agency at the branch's option. Checks for travel events for four (4) or more nights shall be made to the travel agency.

ATTENDANCE

Regular members missing three (3) consecutive meetings without NOTIFYING THEIR ATTENDANCE CHAIRMAN, giving a valid reason, or attending less than six (6) meetings within the last twelve (12) months shall be notified by form letter #4 of their pending membership termination. Certification of attendance at another branch meeting will be considered as credit to the attendance record.

SUNSHINE REPORT by JOHN COLLENS:

No News is Good News!

.....ON THE LITE SIDE.....

We Always Hold Hands. If I Let Go, She Shops

Editors Note: Please advise me of any changes that may occur in your email address. New members, and those who are on line and have not yet signed up to receive the Bulletin via the net, are encouraged to do so. Please contact me at: bencollins@comcast.net.