

Next Meeting:
Monday, January 15, 2007
1475 Creekside Drive
Walnut Creek

Call 806-8874 by the Thursday prior to the meeting to cancel your standing reservation or to bring a guest!



Trampas Topics



January, 2007

A Nonprofit Public Benefit Organization for Retired Men Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement.



Sayings of 2007 Big Sir, Floyd Skelton

Happy New Year to You All!

Thanks to outgoing officers Big Sir Jerry Hunter (a new Director in 2007), Treasurer Don Roberts, and Director Ron Domer for a great job in 2006, and special welcome to new 2007 Little Sir Art Donaldson, Treasurer Dick Chaffee, and Directors Ron Armijo and Bill Hemmelsbach.

One of my first duties as Big Sir-elect was to contact our over 20 committee chairmen regarding 2007. That process was both informative and enjoyable. In many cases I thought I knew what they did as chairman of their particular area, only to find there were additional, and different aspects that I was not aware of, or had not considered. In most cases they were willing to continue their duties in 2007, and in a couple of instances a new approach to covering their responsibilities was suggested. During the process of chatting with our committee chairmen it became very clear to me how important, and fortunate we are to have them "make things happen" for Branch 116. We are definitely a "volunteer-driven" organization, and thanks to all of them for their efforts.

New things for 2007 include adopting Chaplain Harry Shaner's suggestion of a 'rotating' Chaplain formula, and we will now have five Chaplains (including Harry) to conduct the invocation at our luncheon and special event sessions. Jerry Kaplan has agreed to chair a Welcoming Committee to insure that new members find their way to the activities they have expressed an interest in, and Jack Bevis will lead an Honoree Selection effort to recognize members who are significant contributors to the branch. Terry Miller will lead a Public Relations effort to make the community more aware of our offerings, and open the door to other retired or semi-retired men to share in the SIR experience.

Best wishes for a Healthy, Prosperous, and Rewarding 2007. I'm already enjoying this new job, and I thank you for the opportunity.

Floyd Skelton



January Birthdays

When you see these members, wish them a Happy Birthday!

Booth, Donald
Doyle, Albert
Dygert, Lowell
Eckels, Paul
Eller, Thomas
Fucik, John
Gee, Melvin
Ginter, William
Hagler, Jack
Harold, Kenneth
Hattaway, Dudley
Hike, Robert
Hoban, Bill
Ratterree, James
Rotunno, Joseph
Sander, Louis
Sicabaig, Henry
Sigvaldson, Arni
Socolich, Richard
Stedman, Donald
Sullivan, William
With, Merle
Member Sixty Three

Lunch Menu

Pork Loin
Rice
Salad
Rolls and Butter
Dessert

Branch 116 Leadership for 2006

Executive Committee



Big SIR
Floyd Skelton
838-2515



Little SIR
Art Donaldson
934-8391



Secretary
John Maclay
937-2399



Asst. Secretary
Matt Arena
946-0404



Treasurer
Dick Chaffee
932-5087

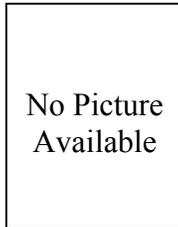


Asst. Treasurer
Bob Shader
939-8421

Board of Directors



Pete Belden
686-3650



Ron Armijo
945-0637



Terry Miller
686-9298



Bill Hemmelsbach
458-2511



Tom Eller
939-5897



Dick Thomson
944-1760



Jerry Hunter
376-4353

Committee Chairmen

Attendance	Jim Nachtweih	838-7417	Interviewer	Bill Mowris	672-2885
Audit	Dick Thomson	944-1760	Investment	Ben Smith	820-5403
	Dan Pope	939-5483	Membership	Roland Scrivner	938-9078
Bridge	Milt Greenstein	376-5589	Membership Roster	Dick Thomson	944-1760
Candy Sales	Dirk Meyer	820-6878	Newsletter Editor	Phil Goff	831-3692
Chaplain	Harry Shaner	933-2493	— Proofreader	John Maclay	937-2399
Christmas Party	Bill McCord	376-5280	Photographer	Ken Miller	256-9419
Computers	Phil Goff	831-3692	Piano	Bob Lake	837-4054
Fishing	Dick Thomson	944-1760	Poker	Bill Harrington	935-1625
Golf	Tom Robinson	798-4276	Spring Party	Bill McCord	376-5280
Golf Handicap	David Harris	672-5543	Sunshine	Matt Arena	946-0404
Greeters	Tim Hubbard	944-0742	Travel	Carlos Xavier	947-6756
Historian	Matt Arena	946-0404	Volunteers	Bob Kinser	837-8886
Host	Frank Crua	932-0975	Webmaster	Floyd Skelton	838-2515



\$ums In Retirement

Ben Smith

Our next meeting will take place on Jan 24, 2007 at Diablo Creek Golf Course (Grill Room). This will be our kick off meeting for the coming year and we will have Mr. TOM KOPAS, of Pring-Turner Capital group giving us their outlook for 2007. Mr. Kopas has provided us with annual forecasts for the market outlooks in the past years and they have proved for the most part to be very accurate. Mark your calendar, you will not want to miss this meeting.

Also in January, we will be welcoming a new Chairman for the \$ums In Retirement group. He is Mr. DAVE MUNSON, Branch #171. Dave has had vast experience in the Investment world and will be presenting many interesting and informative programs during the coming year. We look forward to his leadership and fresh perspectives.



Treasurer's Report

Don Roberts

Jan 1, 2006 Beginning Balance

Checking	\$8,112.35
Savings	\$1,726.37
Petty Cash \$	250.00
Total	<u>\$10,088.72</u>

Jan 1, 2007 Beginning Balance

Checking	\$5,756.37
Savings	\$1,734.92
Petty Cash \$	250.00
Total	<u>\$7,741.29</u>

Net for 2006: **-\$2,347.43**



Membership Summary

Roland Scrivner

Total Current Members — 255
 This Month's Inductees — 0
 Those in Interview Stage — 1
 Total in Process — 3
 On Inactive Status — 28
 Left the Branch — 1
 Waiting for a Member Number — 0

- Raymond Lausten #103 to Inactive, #314
- Peter Lucido #018 Passed Away

No new candidates were inducted in December due to the Christmas Dinner Dance.



Sunshine Report

Matt Arena

During 2006 eight of our Branch 116 members passed away. We'll miss them very much.

- Richard Lake
- Roy Miller
- John Nargang
- Ernie Purcell
- Richard Schlueter
- Terry Thomas
- Pete Lucido
- Vince Staraci

Following surgery on his left knee Bill Hoban has made steady progress. He is now driving his car to Heather Farms pool for his therapy.

Bill looks forward to attending our January Luncheon. His spirits are high and other than an ankle that needs repair in the coming year he is doing great.



Area 2 Fishing Report

Dick Thomson

December, as usual, proved to be slow, with lots of cold weather and high winds in the Delta. Notwithstanding, Branch 8's Craig Walton made several trips and came home with stripers for the freezer as did **Carl Moyer**, who fished at the Mothball Fleet (across from Martinez) and caught a couple of keeper sturgeon (largest 45#) and a dozen stripers (largest 10#). The rest of our fishermen are mending their gear and getting ready for next year. Branch 116's **Terry Miller**, our Big Fish, had his first annual Christmas breakfast at Coco's Restaurant on Treat Blvd in Concord. A dozen members attended. Lots of fun, but we couldn't get Terry to pick up the tab. Bummer.

As far as trips in the next three months:

- Trip to the Klamath River for steelhead (**John Wall** is Fishmaster);
- Day trips to the Delta for stripers (dates are open, **Bill Hooy** is Fishmaster);
- Trip to Lake Davis near Susanville for ice fishing for trout (**John Hayes** is Fishmaster);
- Day trips to the Delta for stripers/salmon (February and March - as arranged with boat owners);
- Day trip to San Pablo Reservoir for trout (February dates as arranged with boat owners);
- Seminar at Fishermen's Friend in Lodi (March 24, **Terry Miller** is Fishmaster).

There are lots more items on the Calendar for 2007, so, if you're not fishing, you're not trying

If you want to hear more, please attend one of our meetings on the 4th Thursday of the Month at the Legends Sports Bar and Grill at the Diablo Creek Golf Course at 4050 Port Chicago Highway in Concord. Meetings start at 8:30 a.m. For further information, please contact **Terry Miller** (Big

Fish)(925-696-9298); **Dick Thomson** (Branch 116 Coordinator)(925-785-7600) or **Romano Gnusti** (Treasurer/Secretary)(925-376-3313). All SIR members and guests are welcome to participate in the fishing trips as well as attend the monthly meetings.



Bridge

Milt Greenstein

The Branch 116 Duplicate Bridge group met on December 5th at the Pleasant Hill Bridge Center with 20 men attending. The high scoring team was **Conrad Robertson / Bob Wolf** with 143 points (66.2 %), followed by **Gene Gould / Dan Green** with 116 points and **Dick Chaffee / Bob Daily** with 112 points. (216 points was the maximum possible.)

The lunch and bridge group met on December 12th at Roundhill C.C. with 28 men joining the group. This was a high scoring day, with an average score for the day of 3,922 points, the 3rd highest average of the year. **Roy Hedtke** took the high honors for today with 6,650 points. Second place went to **Lytton DeSilva** with 6,430, followed by **Cal Cohen** (6,060), **Milt Greenstein** (5,490) and **Norm Schoenfeld** (5,120). Small slams were bid and made by the teams of **Lytton DeSilva / Bob Singleton**, **Ali Aghaiepour / Ron Wohlberg** and **Milt Greenstein / Roy Hedtke**.

This finishes our bridge schedule for 2006. The next scheduled events will be on January 2, 2007 at the Bridge Center, and then followed by lunch and bridge at Roundhill C.C. on January 9th. If any one is interested in joining our group, please give me a call, or contact our Big SIR or Little SIR or Treasurer. (All 3 are regular members of our group.) Looking forward to next year!

Christmas Party Pictures

There were many pictures taken at the Christmas Party that are not included in the Newsletter this month. We'll have prints of all the pictures for you to take home at the January luncheon.

Area 2 Computers and Technology Group



Phil Goff, Chairman
831-3692 philgoff@yahoo.com



Dick Curry, Asst. Chairman
376-5541 racorinda@pacbell.net

Beginning in 2007, **Phil Goff** (Branch 116) will be the new Chairman for the Area 2 Computer User Group replacing Floyd Skelton. **Dick Curry** will continue as Assistant Chairman. We are changing the name of the Group to Computers and Technology to include discussions on other types of technology. We will continue to focus on digital photography for four sessions a year.

Thursday, January 18 – Ken Haley, (Branch 171), will present information about making slideshows from your digital pictures. This will include making slideshows with music on CD's to be played on your computer and DVD's to be played on your television. He will describe techniques for making a slideshow, including how to use special effects such as zoom and pan, and creating titles. Picture resolution considerations will also be discussed. This is the first meeting in 2007 of the Digital Photography Group, which has been an outstanding success, and drawn record numbers of SIR members in attendance. Dick Curry (Branch 171) will conduct an informative Computer Q&A session following.

Meetings of the SIR Area 2 Computers and Technology/Digital Photography Group are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except June and December) from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., at the Social Hall of the Walnut Creek United Methodist Church, 1543 Sunnyvale Ave. (off N. Main, one block north of the Treat/Geary/N. Main intersection).

The Digital Photography presentations will be made on the first month of each quarter (January, April, July, and October) and the Computers and Technology presentations on the other months. All SIR members are invited to attend these informative sessions. For more information please visit our web site at: <http://www.sir-web.org/computer>

NEW RESOURCE ON WEB:

Floyd Skelton has built a new website with links to all of the past presentations for the Computer User and the Digital Photography Groups. This is a rich resource which was developed by a variety of contributors. If you have a question about computers or digital photography, the answer can probably be found in the presentation materials.

It's a resource that you won't find elsewhere. Visit the new site at:

<http://www.sir-web.org/computer/presentations.htm>

January Guest Speaker



T J ROETHE will speak to us at our Monday, January 15 meeting about "*JUST IN CASE—Everything a Family Should Know.*" If you were suddenly unavailable or inca-

pacitated, would someone know where to locate vital information and documents?

T J will list the things you or your family should know.

As a Professional Organizer and the wife of a career Navy Officer, T J Roethe took pride in being well prepared for the unexpected until the day she and her husband spent seven hours in a hospital emergency room. Those anxious hours found her asking, "What if...?"

T J has spoken nationally to various business, civic, military, Rotary and church groups, many of which are return engagements.

Branch 116 Annual Christmas Party at Boundary Oak



Thanks to Bill McCord for Another Great Party





TRAVEL— Carlos Xavier



Pick up brochures, forms, etc., at the travel desk at the luncheons. If we run out of these and you are still interested in the trip, please ask your travel chairman and he will have one sent to you. Payment should be made to the travel agency arranging the event unless otherwise stated in the announcement.

Local Travel

February 18, 2007

Coastal Repertory Theatre at Half Moon Bay presents “Lost in Yonkers” by Neil Simon. Includes Motorcoach transportation, Hosted Champagne Brunch at the Moss Beach Distillery and the Matinee performance of “Lost in Yonkers.” Price is \$97 pp. Payment is due by Jan. 12, 2007. Contact Carl Raaka of Branch #8 at 254-0482 for more details.

Overnight and Longer Travel

February 13 — 15, 2007

Round Trip to Reno on the Snow Train. Travel from Martinez to Reno with two nights accommodations at Harrah's East Tower. Includes a show at Harrah's with purchase of a drink. All meals in Reno either free or discounted. Beverages included on train ride to Reno and afternoon snack included on return trip. **Price \$250** per person based on double occupancy. **Deadline for registration is December 8, 2006.** Escorted by Carl Raaka of Branch #8.

March 16 — April 1, 2007

The Best of Spain & Portugal. A 17 day tour featuring Madrid, Salamanca, Oporto, Lisbon, Seville, Costa del Sol, Mijas, Granada, Valencia and Barcelona. Tour price is \$3675 per person. Includes round trip transfers to San Francisco airport, airfare to/from Madrid, all tips for drivers, guides and tour manager. Sponsored by Branch # 8, **Bob Hagler.** Brochures and application forms will be available at the luncheon meeting.

September 6 — 17, 2007

Russian Waterways. This is a 12 day adventure cruise from St. Petersburg to Moscow sponsored by Bob Spellman of Branch #146. Cruise tour includes round trip transfers to San Francisco Airport and round trip fare to Russia. Eleven nights on board the m/s Vladimir Mayakovski. Prices start at \$3555 pp double occupancy. Contact **Bob Spellman** at 934-8428.

September 29 — October 14, 2007

Cruise the Panama Canal on Norwegian Cruise Line’s newest ship, the Norwegian Pearl. Trip departs from Los Angeles and finishes in Miami, Florida. Ports of call are Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, Acapulco (overnight), Cartagena, Puerto Limon, and Key West. Trip includes round trip transportation to Bay Area Airport, round trip airfare, all port charges and government fees, skycap, stevedore and driver tips, and a one hour cocktail party with hot & cold hors d’oeuvres on board ship. Prices start at \$2140 pp/do. Contact **Bob Hagler** at 934-7620 for more details.

September 24 — October 10, 2008

SIR 50th Anniversary Cruise to Hawaii — TRIP HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT PARTICIPATION.

Other events to celebrate the SIR 50th Anniversary are being explored. Call Carlos Xavier at 947-6756 for more details.

Branch 116 Website Addresses

Floyd Skelton, our Branch Webmaster has created several websites for our Branch. The addresses of these websites are as follows. Please bookmark them in your browser.

Main Web Site —

<http://www.sir-web.org/116-web/>

Golf — <http://www.sir-web.org/116-golf/>

Trampas Topics —

<http://www.sir-web.org/trampas/>



Branch 116 Honoree, Jack Bevis

Our first Honoree of 2007 is Jack Bevis, a member of Branch 116 for over 10 years. Jack served as our Branch Secretary in 2004 and 2005, and is beginning his 4th year as the SIR Area 2 Computer/Digital Photography Group Secretary, Director, and Web Correspondent.

Jack was born in Oklahoma City in 1926, and has been married to his wife Claire for 54 years. Their three children live in Sebastapol, Austin Texas, and Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. In addition they have four grandchildren. Jack and Claire have lived in Orinda since 1976.

Jack graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in 1948, with a BS in Engineering. An employee of Bechtel for 35 years, Jack's most recent positions were: Project Manager, Manager of Office Management Services, and Manager of Engineering. His work with Bechtel included assignments in Houston, Mexico City, Paris, and San Francisco.

Although formerly an avid golfer and bridge player Jack has not yet joined these SIR activities, but he is an active gardener, amateur investor, digital photographer, and world traveler. Jack is a regular attendee at our SIR monthly luncheons and Ladies Day events, and has accepted the appointment as Honoree Selection Chairman for the balance of 2007.

2007 Nominating Committee Appointed

Big Sir Floyd Skelton has appointed a three member 2007 Branch 116 Nominating Committee. Jerry Hunter has agreed to act as chair, with Matt Arena, and Frank Crua rounding out the committee. The committee will select a slate of nominees for 2008 Branch 116 officers.



Branch 116 Golfers

David Geary

January and February 18 Hole Golf Events:

Pay in advance:

- Tuesday, 1/16 @ Lone Tree, \$34, due by 1/6
- Monday, 1/22 @ Bethel Island, \$27 walk, \$38 ride, due by 1/9 (prize fund)
- Monday, 1/29 @ Franklin Canyon, \$30, due by 1/16
- Wednesday, 2/14 @ Silverado/South, \$44, due by 1/12
- Tuesday, 2/20 @ Shadow Lakes, \$40, due by 2/7
- Monday, 2/26 @ Dublin Ranch, \$38, due by 2/13

Eighteen holes @ Boundary Oak:

- Wednesday, 1/3
- Monday, 1/8
- Monday, 2/5

Nine Hole Schedule:

- Wed. 1/10 Pine Meadow 10 a.m.
- Wed. 1/17 Buchanan Fields 10 a.m.
- Wed. 1/24 Diablo Hills 10:15 a.m.
- Wed. 1/31 Buchanan Fields 10 a.m.

Regards, *David Geary*



Troy Powell Hits Hole in One At Boundary Oak

On December 4, 2006, Troy Powell hit a Hole in One on Number 17 at Boundary Oak Golf course. He used his Calloway No. 3 Rescue Club. It was late in the day and he was hitting into the sun. None of the foursome could see where the ball finished but they knew it was going straight at the green. After some preliminary searching around the green, they discovered the ball in the hole!

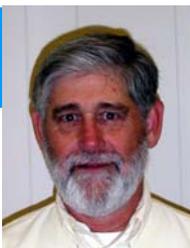
Way to go Troy! Congratulations on winning the Branch 116 Hole in One prize money.



Chairman

Tom Robinson

18 Hole Golf



Handicap & Scoring

David Harris

Rooster Run - December 18, 2006

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3		
Neil Schmidt	69	3	Jerry Hunter	75	3	Al Serafino	78	3
Stan Lowenberg	73	2	Phil Goff	76	2	Chuck Cuny	79	2
Frank Crua	74	1	Dick Chaffee	78	1	Bob Kinser	82	1
Al Zattero	74	1				Troy Powell	82	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
Neil Schmidt	81		Jerry Hunter	94		Al Serafino	106	

Closest to: Hole #5 - Al Zattero --- Hole #15 - Neil Schmidt

Boundary Oak - December 11, 2006

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3		
Bill McCord	67	3	Bob Testa	72	3	Al Serafino	67	3
Ron Domer	73	2	Kirk McVean	74	2	Art Turrin	68	2
David Harris	73	2	Jerry Hunter	76	1	Joe Ostler	72	1
Phillip Marks	73	2						
Dirk Meyer	73	2						
Al Zattero	73	2						
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
Bill McCord	81		Jerry Hunter	96		Al Serafino	96	

Closest to: Hole #2 - Phillip Marks, Herman Walden --- Hole #12 - Jerry Hunter, Joe Ostler

Boundary Oak - December 4, 2006

Flight 1			Flight 2			Flight 3		
Bill McCord	72	3	Jerry Hunter	71	3	Al Serafino	69	3
Phillip Marks	73	2	Dick Chaffee	73	2	Troy Powell	71	2
Bill Clark	77	1	Otto Rinkert	76	1	Matt Arena	74	1
Frank Crua	77	1				Max Foust	74	1
Low Gross			Low Gross			Low Gross		
Bill McCord	86		Jerry Hunter	91		Troy Powell	98	
						Al Serafino	98	

Hole - In - One: #17 -- Troy Powell

Closest to: Hole #2 - Pat Tinguely, Max Foust --- Hole #12 - Bill Clark, Troy Powell

Remember: Sir Branch 116 Golf Hotline is 906-5355
Golf Checks should be made out to: "SIR Golf, Branch 116"
Mail Golf Checks to: P.O. Box 55, Moraga, CA 94556-0055

18 Hole Golf Leader Board Final Standings for 2006



FLIGHT 1		FLIGHT 2		FLIGHT 3	
NAME	POINTS	NAME	POINTS	NAME	POINTS
Harris, David C	33	Carlson, David	40	Serafino, Al	50
McCord, Bill	31	Hunter, Jerry	38	Powell, Troy	49
Crua, Frank	30	Robinson, Robbie	30	Hemmelsbach, Bill	29
Schmidt, Neil	26	Goff, Phil	27	Vetro, Bob	27
Meyer, Dirk	24	Hutchko, Al	26	Arena, Matt	20
Tinguely, Pat	23	Jenkins, Phil	26	Walden, Herman	16
Domer, Ron	19	Testa, Bob	23	Lockwood, Frank	15
Geary, David	19	Robertson, Conrad	22	Lutkus, Alex	14
Randall, Lonny	18	Ghefli, Dan	18	Kinser, Bob	12
Marks, Phillip	16	Story, John	16	Peterson, John	12
Zavattero, Al	15	Chaffee, Dick	11	Conlon, Bob	10
Clark, Bill	13	McLaughry, Darrell	5	Ostler, Joe	10
Eller, Tom	11	Contestable, Pat	4	Brown, Doug	7
Cherepy, Steve	9	Hagge, Walt	4	Aalders, Doug	6
Xavier, Carlos	9	McVean, Kirk	4	Bernard, Meade	5
Smith, Ben	6	Socolich, Dick	4	Cuny, Chuck	5
Campbell, R	3	Daniel, John	3	Maclay, John	4
Carson, Ernie	3	Scrivner, Roland	3	Turrin, Art	4
Clizbe, Jim	3	Videle, Jim	3	Egbert, Lee	3
Kim, Paul	3	Schoen, Gary	2	Foust, Max	3
Sigvaldson, Arni	3	Bryant, Frank	1	Kallas, Pete	3
Abbott, Mike	2	Cassetari, Jack	1	Saavedra, Jim	3
Benz, Andy	2	Rinkert, Otto	1	Stralovich, Joe	3
Lowenberg, Stan	2	Yniguez, Tony	1	Regalia, Ed	2
Deisem, Harley	1			Shader, Bob	1
Nichols, Bob	1				

The Golf Website has Up to Date info on all Tournaments

The Golf Website address is,

<http://www.sir-web.org/116-golf/>

Please bookmark it in your "Favorites" list of websites.

The website contains information on the following:

- 2007 Golf Schedule: Dates, times, and courses as well as detailed information on costs, payment information, deadlines, and special event facts.
- 18-Hole Pairings: Weekly, usually on the Friday or Saturday prior to the event, showing captains, teams, starting times, and handicaps.
- 18-Hole Leaders and Results: Weekly, usually within a day or two of the event.

- 9-Hole Results: Bi-weekly, also usually within a couple of days of the event.
- Paid-In-Advance Sign-Ups: Weekly, showing checks that have been received for the next 3 or 4 pre-paid outings.
- Boundary Oak Sign-Ups: Weekly, shortly following 18-hole events, and the monthly luncheon when most signups occur. This listing will show who has signed-up for the next two Boundary Oak sessions, and whether they have indicated using a cart.

All SIR 116 members are encouraged and invited to offer comments, additions, suggestions, and corrections to the site. Please send your e-mail to:
sir116.golf@sbcglobal.net

**Las Trampas
Branch #116**



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Walnut Creek, CA 94595-4105

Non-Responsibility Declaration:

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Please Remember our Rules of Attendance and Membership for Branch 116

Regular members missing 3 consecutive meetings without notifying their attendance chairman or attending less than one-half (5) meetings within the last 12 months, shall be notified by form letter of their membership termination. NOTE: Excused meetings cannot be included to achieve the minimum attendance. Certification of attendance at another Branch meeting will be considered a credit to the attendance record. (Maximum of 2 visits per calendar year).

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Checks for trips of 3 nights or less must be made payable to the Branch conducting the trip. Checks for trips in excess of 3 nights must be made payable to the travel agency involved.