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San Francisco Branch 4

JANUARY 2010

SPECIAL ISSUE

George Rodriguez, Editor

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THE GLEE CLUB

OF BRANCH 4

HIGHLIGHTED THE

HOLIDAY

(CHRISTMAS)

LUNCHEON

ON DECEMBER 2.

IT'S FANTASTIC!!!!

M E N U:

JAN: Meat Loaf, Shrimp Salad
Strawberry Cake

FEB: Chicken Cacciatore, Cobb Salad
Tapioca Pudding

MAR: Corned Beef & Cabbage
Fruit Salad, Rainbow Sorbet

NOTE: Salads must be ordered one month in advance. When you pay for the current meal, please sign the salad sheet for the following month.

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 6, 2010

Elks Lodge (650) 589 4030 ext. 17

Stonegate & Hillside Boulevard

So. San Francisco, CA 94080

10:30 Bd. Mtg. 11:00 Social 12:00 Lunch

Luncheon Speaker:

John Addison

Author: "Save Gas, Save the Planet"

Subject:

Clean Tech. and Electric Cars



From Big Sir Wayne Veatch

Happy New Year, fellow SIRs. Welcome to a new year, new officers, interesting activities and excellent lunches. Your Little SIR Robin Jaquith and I will be ably assisted by a continuing slate of experienced and enthusiastic activities chairs - do take

advantage of their offerings. Pinochle and Bowling are doing well, Jerry Blumenthal has plugged new life into the Computer Club, George Rodriguez has the Glee Club singing like birds and the Bridge Club will be back in business when they can find a new bride!

My sincere thanks to Jack Major for doing such a great job as Big SIR last year, for covering my Little SIR obligations when I was out of town and for continuing to head up Golf in 2010. I'm very pleased that Robin agreed to be my Little SIR and continue to head up Travel (until or unless he finds a replacement for that position).

We had a great time at the Branch 4 Holiday Luncheon. Thanks to all of you who supported this event with your attendance and enthusiasm. It was fun to gather together, enjoy some magic, show ourselves off to our wives and SOs and enjoy the top musical talents of our members.

I'm looking forward to being your Big Sir. But Big Sir does not mean King. I'm still a relatively new member and am open to your suggestions on how I may do a better job for you.

DWIGHT SALE INDUCTED THE 2010 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS



CLUB ACTIVITIES



In AREA 4 GOLF CLUB

SCOREBOARD AND TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

[Jack Major 415 566 2243](#) [George Rodriguez 650 992 8321](#)

The November 10th Sharp Park Tournament had 41 total players and started off clear and mild, and a cold front came in later. Jack Major and George Rodriguez coordinated this tournament. The results are: Group 1 (under 30 index) 1st Jim Moore (Branch 4 new member) – 65, 2nd Jim Parsons (25) – 67, 3rd Rich Palmer (25) – 69; Group 2 (30 and up) 1st Jim Mayo – 71 (won tiebreak on 6th), 2nd Robin Jaquith 71, 3rd Bruce Barichievich (25) – 71. Closest to #8 – 1st Woody Woodall (25) 4’5”, 2nd Bruce Barichievich 10’7”, 3rd Rich Palmer 12’6”. Closest to #15 – 1st Bob Richter (guest) 9’10”, 2nd Jim Mayo 14’3”, 3rd Woody Woodall 26’4”.

The December 8th Sharp Park Tournament had 28 total players and had about an hour frost delay, and stayed pretty cloudy and cold the rest of the day. Jack Major coordinated this tournament. The results are: Group 1 (under 30 index) 1st Bud Fields (Branch 4) – 65, 2nd Al Terada (25) – 66 (won tiebreak on #6), 3rd Andy Ynostroza (25) – 66; Group 2 (30 and up) 1st John Gehring (25) – 62, 2nd John Jamieson (25) – 67, 3rd Jim McCoy – 69 – 71. Closest to #8 – 1st Alex Christ 6’8”, 2nd Joe Ocampo (25) 14’2”, 3rd Rich Palmer 15’3”. Closest to #15 – 1st Barry Lipton (25) 26’6”.

2010 Sharp Park Tournaments are scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday from February through December and with the same prices as 2009.

Next Sharp Park Tournament:

Tuesday February 9th, 2010, first tee-off is 0930.

SIR members and their guests are invited. Sign up for tournaments at the golf table at the first Wednesday’s lunch. Since there’s breakfast, check in one hour before your tee time, or risk being removed from the tournament. Sharp Park fees are \$42 for green fees, cart, breakfast, and prizes (\$3 each). This will be a combined tournament with Branch 4 and Branch 25. Jim Smith coordinates the match, so Branch 4 goes out first.

The October 20th Poplar Creek Tournament had 32 players with fine conditions. The results are: Group 1 (under 26 index) 1st Flor Mendoza - 62, 2nd George Fenech - 63, 3rd Hayden Neal – 66. Group 2 (26 and over) 1st Jim Parsons (25) - 63, 2nd Jim Mayo – 69, 3rd Ron Brown – 70. Closest to #17 – 1st Woody Woodall (25) 10’, 2nd Jack Major 11’6”, 3rd Jerry Hiller (25) 12’8”.

The December 15th Poplar Creek Tournament results will be in the February Fog Horn.

2010 Poplar Creek Tournaments are scheduled for 2/17, 4/20, 6/24, 8/18, 10/19, and 12/14. Prices are up \$2.

Next Poplar Creek Tournament:

Wednesday February 17th, first tee-off is 1030.

The tournament starts at 1000 for 40 golfers. Sign up at the golf table or call Jack or George. Green (\$30) and prize fees (\$7) are \$37; optional cart fees are \$13.50 per player double, \$18 single.

SIR Area 4 Away Golf Tournaments:

[Jim Smith, 650-871-8855, 430 Forest View Drive, South SF, CA 94080.](#)

I haven’t seen the 2010 schedule but tournaments start in February

COMPUTER CLUB: [Jerry Blumenthal 415 681 1208](#)

Meeting at 11:45 every 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Doelger Senior Center, Westlake-Daly City. All those interested in computer are welcome to attend.

BOWLING / BASEBALL: [Joe Jacinto 415 681 8719](#)

Come at the Classic Bowling Center, 900 King Drive, Daly City, every Thursday afternoon; sign in at 12:30PM practice at 12:45 and play begins at 1PM. \$12 for three games. Join the fun and enjoy the afternoon with us.

GLEE CLUB: [George Rodriguez 650 992 8321](#)

We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at the Doelger Senior Center, Westlake, Daly City, Room 5, at 1pm to 3pm. Ladies are welcome. Our next meeting will be on January 25, and February 22, 2010.

PINOCHLE: [George Samoulides 415 564 5384](#)

Our games start at 1:30PM on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. We meet at the Christopher Community Center, 999 Brotherhood Way, in San Francisco. Join us in the games or for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

TRAVEL CHAIRMAN: [Robin Jaquith 650 355 0805](#)

See Travel Tips by Dick Hurlly on Page 3.



From Little Sir Robin Jaquith

A new year is upon us. Resolutions made which means promises to be kept. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. As we move into the New Year we have much to look forward to both in SIRs and our own lives. We should make a promise to ourselves to bring a colleague to lunch so that they can see what a SIR can mean to them.

For those of you who do not know me I thought it would be appropriate to introduce myself. I am Robin Jaquith. I will be celebrating my 70th birthday this year. I was born in San Francisco and live in Pacifica with my wife Ginny and our ever present companion Whitney our soft coated wheaten terrier. I retired 5 years ago from the Mountain View-Whisman School District in Mountain View where I was an elementary school principal. In my leisure time (which as most of you know, is hard to come by) I enjoy playing golf, traveling, going to the theater and working on various craft projects. In addition to my leisure activities by I serve as a school age docent at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and work as a part time usher at AT&T Park.

I look forward to working with all of you in the coming year.



Past Big Sir Flor S. Mendoza who turned 71, took time out for a round of golf with his 17th yr. old grandson John Feeny, III. Picture was taken at the 17th hole of the Crystal Springs Golf Course, Burlingame.

Editor's Note: By George Rodriguez

With the holidays behind us, let us add a resolution to the new year, to support Branch 4. If you did not attend the Christmas Luncheon, you missed a good one. Magician Heather Rogers put on a superb performance. The audience was mesmerized. We then were given another treat with singers Dan O'Leary and Greg Pantages. Their professional voices were captivating. The show was finished with a sing-a-long, raffle and the installation of officers by Dwight Sale. Thank You!, Dwight and Laura for your attendance! Congratulations and best wishes to our new Big SIR Wayne Veatch, and Little SIR Robin Jaquith. We look forward to your leadership. Happy New Year! See you at the meeting. Bring a friend!

A special thanks to all of you that attended the Christmas Luncheon. You make it all possible!

Quiz Answers

1. Red Sox, White Sox, Jazz, Magic, and Heat
2. 1982 and Cal won
3. Three 4. Santa Clara and St. Mary's (played at Kezar Stadium)
5. Seals Stadium, Candlestick Park, and AT&T
6. Rick Berry and Al Attles
7. Five 8. The Olympic Club
9. Don Larsen
10. 1958 and the Giants played the LA Dodgers

TRAVEL TIPS by Dick Hurley

DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!

On a trip outside the USA, your most important possession is not money, credit cards or luggage. **It is your passport.** Without it, you will not be allowed to exit a foreign country or to return through any US port, airport or border crossing. If you have lost your passport, you must interrupt your trip and get to the nearest US Embassy or Consulate as soon as possible to get a temporary passport issued. When you arrive at the embassy or consulate you must first be able to prove who you say you are. The best way to verify your identity is to show a photocopy of the inside pages of your passport that shows your name, address and a picture. Get a photo copy made of these two pages and carry it with you, in a place separate from where you carry your passport. A driver's license or other Identification card can also be helpful. Prior to this year, passports were not required for entering or re-entry from such bordering countries as Mexico and Canada. Now a US passport or similar travel document is required from all foreign countries.

HAPPY TRAVELS!

Anyone who has any suggestion, article, or message to publish, please send it to:

George Rodriguez, Editor (650) 992 8321

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Sick List for November 2009

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ED STATHES #081 415 296 8082

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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Chairman: Robert Hennig

December 2009 Birthdays:

Peter Angelonides, John Baumann, Paul DeNatale, John George, Bob Hennig, William Kneebone, Harry Lieberman, Issac Mejia, Charles Mertes, Damaso Ramirez, George Samoulides, and Jim Triggas.

January 2010 Birthdays:

Ramon Jimenez, Pablo Magat, Steve Miyagawa, Peter Parashis, Donald Price, Mario Reyes, Lloyd Rinde, Roger Spindler, Ed Stathes, Marios Stathopoulos, Art Tanjuaquio, Wil Uclusin, and Mike Vriheas

ABSENTEE & SPECIAL DONOR LIST FOR NOVEMBER 2009

Membership & Attendance Chairman, William Gipe

Charles Blake, Jerry Blumenthal, Al DelClaux, Paul De Natale, Ernie Gochez, Richard Giuliani, Bob Hendricks, Dick Hurley, John Kelley, Warren Lee, Dan O'Leary, Flor S. Mendoza, Russell Lindquist, Pat Long, Jack Major, Dennis Meixner, George Mourgos, Arnold Sears, Gil Travis, Mike Vriheas, and Ed Woodward

MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

Chairman: William Gipe

<i>Authorized Membership</i>	<u>250</u>
<i>Active Membership—November, 2009</i>	148
<i>Addition</i>	0
<i>Deletions</i>	0
<i>Active Membership—January 2, 2010</i>	<u>148</u>
<i>Open Active Numbers</i>	102
<i>Inductions Pending</i>	1
<i>Inactive Members (400 List)</i>	17
<i>Honorary Life Member(s)</i>	01
<i>(#406 Samuel Riskin)</i>	

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CHANGES/DELETE

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The Glee Club performed so well to entertain the members and guests at the annual Holiday & Christmas Luncheon, last December 2, 2009. Dan O'Leary, and Greg Pantages delivered their respective vocal solo performances with their favorite songs. Accompanied by George Rodriguez with his Guitar, Joe Jacinto on the Keyboard, and Big Sir Jack Major on his Bass. It was concluded with a sing-a-long.

The Magician entertained the crowd with her amazing techniques. She is assisted by W. Veatch, R. Jaquith G. Rodriguez and D. Meixner. It was a good show for a great audience.



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