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#### **MENU**

June: BBQ (NY Steak) Salad Bar, Coffee Ice Cream July: Teriyaki Chicken Leg, Shrimp Louis Salad, Raspberry Bread (Salads must be ordered one month in advance)

**Big SIR Wayne Veatch** 



Hi! Fellow SIR members.

June means the start of summer and the annual Car Meet season. On June 2, the day of our regular lunch meeting, my 1952 Studebaker and I will be in Glendale (Phoenix) Arizona for the annual Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet. Thanks (in advance) to Robin for chairing the June meeting, which will be your annual Barbecue. I hope you enjoy a bright and sunny day, as I'm sure I will.

I'll mount the swamp cooler on the lower the interior temperature by a few degrees, for the desert crossing. You may remember these things that look like a large can, open on one end, hanging outside the passenger window or rear window, to introduce a flow of cooler air into the car. It allowed you to drive with the other windows and vents closed and the vent windows open, but you had to stop every hour or two and pour another pint of water into it. They suddenly went out of style and disappeared in the mid 50s. when refrigeration conditioning came along.

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# Sons In Retirement San Francisco Branch 4



#### A Luncheon Club promoting The Independence and Dignity Of Retirement

Elks Lodge 650 589-4030 Stonegate & Hillside Blvd. So. San Francisco, CA 94080 10:30 Board Meeting 11 AM Social-12Noon Lunch Every friend is a potential Member!

# No Speaker in June (Entertainment)

# Happy Father's Day!

# Happy Birthday, United States Army!

(Big SIR continued)

We will caravan with other members of our local chapter of the Studebaker Club, first to Barstow, CA, along old Route 66 to Kingman, AZ then south on Highway 93 through Nothing, AZ to Phoenix.

We will join a few hundred other Studebakers from all over the US and Canada, at the Meet.

I'm hoping for a Second Place in the Concours competition, the award I received when I drove the car to South Bend, Indiana in 2007. In any case, I'll give you a report, when I see you next at the July meeting. Meanwhile, have a great barbecue lunch and enjoy the start of summer.

### (Little SIR continued)

Flag Day commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as our official flag. As we celebrate Flag Day on June 14<sup>th</sup> I cannot help but think about the young men and women who are fighting for what our flag stands for.

# Fog Horn Issue June 2010

Meeting June 2nd
Next meeting July 7th
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Little SIR - Robin Jaquith

I often wonder what it is that forms the destiny of our lives. I have just returned from a very exciting weekend in New York to witness the graduation of my nephew from the US Military Academy at West Point. When in high school this young man enrolled in ROTC and saw the potential of a career in the military and with that he went through the rigorous application process. Needless to say he was accepted and graduated after four years. His decision will bring him many opportunities as well as serving his country, for which we are all grateful. His future as been decided for the next five vears at which time he will have to decide if he will continue to serve his country. The decision he will make will be greatly influenced by his first decision back when he was in high school. Like my nephew we all made a decision once in our lives that spoke to our future. What were those decisions we made and how did they affect us? As I look back over the years I think I made the right decision in going into my chosen field of education, as I hope the same can be said for you. I look in wonder as this man marches into his life as we once did.

With the advent of June, we know summer is almost here. Making plans for the hot months ahead of us is always fun, even though we have time to enjoy all the months of the year, however I think the summer ones are the best. June also brings us Flag Day. In June 1776, George Washington commissioned Betsy Ross to create a flag for the new nation in anticipation of a declaration of its independence.

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# The Fog Horn

Golf: Jack Major 415-566-2243 Next Sharp Park Tournament: Tuesday June 8, 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. Jack Major coordinates the match, so Branch 25 goes out first.

The **May 11th Sharp Park Tournament** was played under cool and clear weather. The course finally dried out enough to play. The results were not available at press time, but will be updated on the web site.

**2010 Poplar Creek Tournaments** are scheduled for 2/17, 4/20, 6/24, 8/18, 10/24, and 12/14. Prices are up \$2 from 2009. **Chronic no-shows** will be required to place a **\$20 non-refundable deposit** to sign up in the future.

# Next Poplar Creek Tournament: Thursday June 24th , first tee-off is 1030.

The tournament starts at 1030 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, payable at the Pro Shop.

**SIR Area 4 Away Golf Tournaments: Jim Smith, 650-871-8855,** 430 Forest View Drive, South SF, CA 94080. These tournaments are scheduled for Tuesdays.

**Santa Clara Golf Course**, 5155 Stars & Stripes Drive, Santa Clara, 408-980-9515, hosts the Tuesday June 29th, 2010 shotgun tournament. Bus leaves the SSF Elks Club at 0700. Bus rate \$65, drive \$60.

**Upcoming Away Trips** – 7/27 Foxtail – South, 8/31 Napa, 9/28 Rooster Run, 10/19 Mare Island.

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**SIR Happenings** is now in its fifth year of publishing, and the readership is growing. Enjoy reading SIR Happenings, the State Newsletter, and find out about all the fun things that are going on throughout our organization. You can easily find Happenings on the SIR State Website: sirinc.org.

Don't forget to wear your pin to the meetings. The Bolo Ties, Lapel Pins, Patches, and Decals are all reasonably priced at \$2 to \$3 each. **Fly the SIR Colors!** See Bill Gipe!

#### Check out the March SIR Happenings on line now! Rewards for Branch 4

When you make a purchase at Office Depot, give them the Rewards # 1738924784 and Branch 4 will get the credit. A win win situation! This will help defray expenses. Thank You!





**May Birthday Boys** 

#### **Editor's Note:**

Hello Branch 4! Good to see the weather warming up. We were finally able to play Sharp Park. A special Happy Birthday to Ed Woodward, 94. Special Thanks to Big SIR Wayne for being our featured speaker. You too, can be our featured speaker, talk to Big SIR Wayne. If you haven't sent in your reservation for the Ladies Day Luncheon, do it ASAP! Support your branch, the more the merrier. Congratulations!, Jack Major for your Hole in One, on 4/22, the 113 yard par 3, 6<sup>th</sup> hole at Golden Gate Golf Course. Nice shot! Please help Branch 4, we need volunteers, step up to the plate!

See you at the meeting. Bring a friend!

**What!** You didn't bring a new member in?



If your email address is not in the roster, please send it to Jack Major, <a href="major@pacbell.net">jemajor@pacbell.net</a>.

# **Birthday Greetings Chairman: Robert Hennig**

June 2010 Birthday Celebrants

June birthdays include Andrew Banis, Albert Benjamin, Belmon Cordova, Charles Gochez, Athanasios Kastoris, Ford Long, Kendall Phelps, Herman Scholz, Tom Sylvester, and Vincent Unsinn.

#### **Absentee Special Donor List for May** Chairman, Bill Gipe

Thanks to Andrew Banis, Charles Blake, Jerry Blumenthal, Larry Farrell.

Warren Lee (in April), Patrick Long (in April), Rush Manbert (in April), Jack Major, Jim McCoy, Ed Murphy, Art Rogers, Stan Susman, and Marios Stathopoulos.

Thanks also to Branch 4 annual (in advance) donors including: Henry Albert, Charles Gochez, Joe Jacinto, Leo Juarez, Ray Langlois, HenryRatti, and Joe Sangiacomo.

Please notify Bill Gipe (650-878-5746) if you'll miss a lunch meeting.

Remember the \$2 lunch meeting contributions helps maintain branch expenses. Please see me if your name was omitted from the donor list. Thanks, Bill Gipe.

# Membership and attendance Report for May 2010

Authorized membership 250 Active members (5-5-10) 141 Inactive members 19 (1 H.L.M.) Active attendance: 89 or 63.1% Guests 1

Roster change: William Cooper #118 moves to Inactive List #420.

#### Marines training in New Zealand during World War 2

"They were a motley bunch. Inveterate gamblers and accomplished scroungers, who drank hair tonic in preference to post exchange beer (horse piss), cursed with wonderful fluency, and never went to chapel (the Good Box) unless forced to. Many dipped snuff, smoked rank cigars or chewed tobacco, (cigarettes were for women and children). They had little use for libraries or organized athletics and would not have known what to do with a career counselor if they met one. They could live on jerked goat, the strong black coffee they called (boiler compound), and hash cooked in a tin hat. On second thought, maybe they wouldn't be so bad after all.

Lieutenant Colonel Samuel B. Griffith II

## Pinochle George Samoulides 415 564 5384

Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month. Sessions start at 1:30 PM at the Holy Trinity Christopher Center, 999 Brotherhood Way SF. This is a SIR sanctioned activity for the members. We look forward to seeing you.

## **Sunshine Committee** Shut ins Chairman Lee M. Appel 415 221 6664 Sick List for March 2010

Charles Blake, Bill Cooper, Al Delclaux, John George, Jackson Steuben, and George Staniotes

<u>Computer Club – Jerry Blumenthal</u> 415 681 1208 Meeting at 11:45 every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Doelger Senior Center, Westlake – Daly City. All those interested in computers are welcome to attend.

Next meeting – June 16th

### Bowling – Joe Jacinto 415 681-8719

Thursdays- 12:30 warmup, 1pm bowling – Classic Bowl, Daly City Join and enjoy the afternoon (sometimes free pizza) with us.

Results: April 8, thru April 29, 2010

**Hi-Scratch Games**:

Art Tanjuaquio - 223

Hi-H/C Games:

Art Tanjuaquio – 276, 240, 219

Joe Jacinto – 203, 236

Leo Juarez - 234

Ernie Gochez – 230, 287

**High H/C Series**:

Art Tanjuaquio - 718

Ernie Gochez – 642, 715

**Splits** (Scorekeepers: please record splits

Ernie Gochez – 2-7

Leo Juarez – 6-7-10

Art Tanjuaguio – 5-10

The Glee Club is on a sabbatical till further notice.

#### **Baseball -** Jack Major 415-566-2243

SIR Day at AT&T Park Thursday July 29, 2010 12:45 pm. Ticket Prices: Lower Box \$34, View Box \$23, Lower Reserved \$17. Bleachers \$17.

Let Jack know if you're interested.

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