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San Francisco Branch 4

**OCTOBER 2010**

SPECIAL ISSUE

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## SONS IN RETIREMENT

A Luncheon Club

promoting the

**INDEPENDENCE and DIGNITY**  
of RETIREMENT

*Every friend is a potential member!*

### NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 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:

**TBA**

Subject:

### M E N U:

OCT: *Roasted Pork Loin*

*Apple Pie*

NOV: *Turkey, Pumpkin Pie*

DEC: *Annual Induction and*

**"HOLIDAY LUNCHEON"**

*(Watch for the announcement)*

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.*

## 2011 Officers

**Big Sir** Robin Jaquith

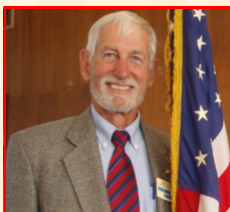
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### **From Big Sir Wayne Veatch**

Our launch of new Activity Groups is off to a good start, with meetings immediately after the last luncheon meeting of the new Poker and Antique Car Groups. As soon as they have four committed, the Poker Group will be gone to the back room for some serious study. The Antique Car group met and now has 3 charter members: Yours Truly, with his '52 Studebaker Commander, Jim Moore, with his beautiful '68 Plymouth Roadrunner, and Tony Ramirez, who described (but did not bring) his '36 Model 41 Buick 4-door sedan. We will meet again after the October luncheon meeting, same place, in the parking lot, and decide what to do next. We're thinking we should show our cars at the SSF Elks Lodge Car Show (and BBQ) on Octo-

ber 17. If you are interested in our Group, join us (with or without an old car) on October 8.

Speaking of Tony, he is doing a great job as our Historian, pulling together a lot of material on the history of Branch 4. Over the next few months, he will be giving us reports on and displays of what he has found as asking us for details to fill in our Branch records.

Speaking of older cars, I'll tell you about something we did recently, involving cars, which we can find the time to do, now that we are retired. Camping. Yes, camping is fun anytime, and a bit of a challenge in an MGB. There isn't much space for carrying gear. After packing the cooking gear, tent, air mattress, sleeping bags and some clothing essentials, like jackets and sweaters, because we don't have a top on

the car, there isn't much room left for food or drink. The key is to stop and shop in the late afternoon for dinner and breakfast and get to the campground before the beer gets warm. The trip we went on last month with two other couples / cars was south along the coast, to Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, then to Morro Bay then back to New Brighton Beach, near Santa Cruz. We took back roads into the mountains, when we could, to avoid traffic and to prolong the pleasure of the drive. Our 3 cars - a '67 MGB, '76 MGB and 60s Datsun 1500 all parked on one space, always draw interested campers and conversation ("I used to have one of those ...").

The lesson? enjoy yourself, with friends, doing what you like to do.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES



### SCOREBOARD AND TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

**Jack Major 415 566 2243 George Rodriguez 650 992 8321**

#### Next Sharp Park Tournament:

**Tuesday October 12, 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 (at 0830), 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 **September 14<sup>th</sup> Sharp Park Tournament** was played under somewhat foggy, late summer conditions. The results were not available at press time, but will be updated on the web site, so enter the SIR Branch 4 Golf address (<http://branch4.sirinc.org/golf.htm>). If I have your email, you will be notified when new results are posted.

**2010 Poplar Creek Tournaments** are scheduled for 2/17, 4/20, 6/24, 8/18, 10/27, 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: Wednesday October 27<sup>th</sup>, 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.

On Tuesday October 19<sup>th</sup>, Mare Island GC, 1800 Club Drive, Vallejo/Mare Island, 7607-562-4653, hosts the next shotgun tournament. Bus leaves the SSF Elks Club at 0630 for 0830 tee off. Bus rate \$60, drive \$55.

**Upcoming Away Trips – 11/30 Metropolitan.**

Check the web site [SIR Branch 4 Golf](http://SIR Branch 4 Golf) for updates!

**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.**

**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 Holy Trinity Christopher Community Center, 999 Brotherhood Way, in San Francisco. Join us in the games or for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

**BOWLING / BASEBALL: Joe Jacinto 415 681 8719**

All good things come to an end. Effective immediately the SIR Fun League is no more. The hardy faithful (usually less than 12) have become team members in the Over the Hill Gang beginning with the onset of the Winter Season, Sept. 9th. Unlike the SIR Fund League, one must join the league and purchase an ABC card (\$20) good for one year. Bowling time is also on Thursday, beginning at 12:20PM. Anyone interested should check in with Andrea Adamson at the counter for further details.



**From Little Sir: Robin Jaquith**

October means fall is once again upon us. This means the kids are back in school and Halloween is just around the corner, and time for all of us to start thinking about Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas, and New Years. As usual we ask ourselves, where has the time gone.

Thinking about coming events it is time to put our December meeting on your calendar. As you know December is our Holiday celebration meeting in which we invite our lovely ladies or significant others. At this time the date is Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be in lieu of our regular meeting on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. As usual this should be a fun and wonderful event.

For me October means I get to travel south of the equator to visit the ruins of Machu Picchu and the Galapagos Islands. I have always had the desire to see the world and visit the many places that I learned about while in school. Of course, it was not possible to travel the world as easily as it is today. The airplane has truly shrunk our planet. I got to visit Argentina two years ago and see Terra del Fuego, the "Avenue of Glaciers" and "La Fin del Mundo" or the "End of the World" which is Cape Horn. These were places I read about and never thought I would visit. So here I am getting ready for my next adventure. Not quite like Columbus in a small ship sailing uncharted waters but instead on an airplane in a well charted sky.

*Here's a little funny for you:*

*A lady was walking down the street to work and she saw a parrot on a perch in front of a pet store. The parrot said to her, "Hey lady, you are really ugly." Well, the lady was furious! She stormed past the store to her work.*

*On the way home she saw the same parrot and it said to her, "Hey lady, you are really ugly." She was incredibly upset now. The next day the same parrot again said to her, "Hey lady, you are really ugly."*

*The lady was so upset that she went into the store and warned the manager she would sue the store and kill the bird. The manager apologized profusely and promised he would make sure the parrot didn't say it again. When the lady walked past the store that day after work the parrot called to her, "Hey lady." She paused and said, "Yes?" The bird said, "You know."*

### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE POKER CLUB

I have secured the poker room at the Elks Club for use immediately following our monthly lunch, starting 10/6. Any member interested in playing a little poker should head to the back room right after lunch for some dealers choice poker. **Bob Fox will coordinate this. Thanks, Bob Fox**

Editor's Note: By George Rodriguez

Hello Branch 4:

Thanks to all for supporting the raffle. It is helping with our finances. The holidays are coming up fast. Sign up for the Holiday/Christmas Luncheon in December. Bring a friend or friends, they will enjoy it. Check out the flyer, in the mail and on line. See you at the meeting. Bring a friend.



## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

**Shut Ins: Chairman: Lee M. Appel (415) 221 6664**  
**Pete Bencharsky, Charles Blake, Bill Cooper**  
**John George, Maurice Gonzales**  
**Flor Mendoza, Jackson Steuben**

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS-Chairman: Robert Hennig

### October 2010 Birthdays:

**Elmer Gallegos, Joe Jacinto, Robin Jaquith**  
**Raino Kandleberg, John Kelly, Jim Mayo, Sam Riskin,**  
**Art Rogers, Marcus Roth, Jackson Steuben,**  
**Ted Theodosopoulos, Gil Travis**

## ABSENTEE & SPECIAL DONOR LIST FOR AUGUST 2010

### Membership & Attendance Chairman, William Gipe

#### Annual Donors:

**Henry Albert, Charles Blake, Henry Fields, Joe Jacinto,**  
**Leo Juarez, Ray Langlois, Henry Ratti, & Joe Sangiacomo**

#### Absentee Donors:

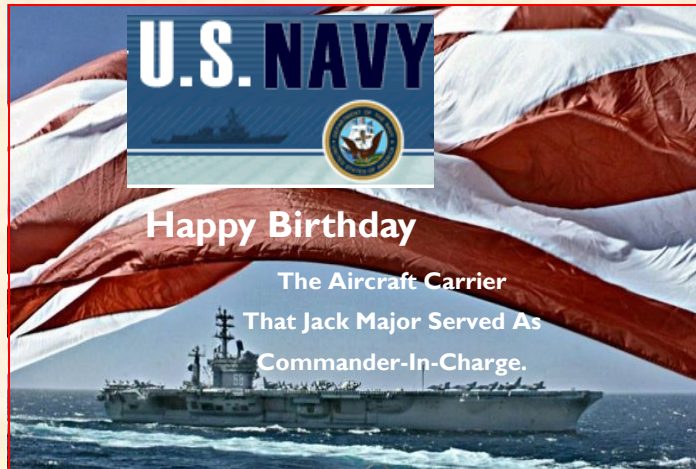
**Peter Angelonides, Wm. Angelopoulos, Andrew Banis**  
**Charles Blake, Paul DeNatalie, Athanasios Kastoris,**  
**Charles Leach, Harry Lieberman, Pablo Magat, Ed Murphy**  
**Hayden Neal, Art Rogers, and Paul Rosenberg**

**Branch 4 thanks Constantine Konstin for his special contribution.**

## MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

### Chairman: William Gipe

<i>Authorized Membership</i>	<b>250</b>
<i>Active Membership—SEPTEMBER 2010</i>	<b>142</b>
<i>Addition (Jesus Pilare)</i>	<b>1</b>
<i>Deletions</i>	
<b><i>Active Membership—OCTOBER 2010</i></b>	<b>143</b>
<i>Open Active Numbers</i>	<b>107</b>
<i>Inductions Pending</i>	<b>01</b>
<i>Inactive Members (400 List)</i>	<b>19</b>
<i>Honorary Life Member(s)</i>	<b>01</b>
<b>(#406 Samuel Riskin)</b>	



Richard Simonds from the AARP was presented a certificate of appreciation by Big Sir Wayne Veatch for being the guest speaker last month. Richard's subject was all about the Senior Driver's Safety.

**DRIVE CAREFULLY!**  
**WATCH THE OTHER GUY.**

### **Good News !!!**

#### **From the Glee Club!**

**All of you crooners get your voices ready. We will meet for 1 hour or more, after the regular meeting at the Elks Lodge. We will sing the songs that you like. It's fun and it's good for you. The first meeting will be November 3rd. Join us.**



Anyone who has any suggestion, article, or message to publish, please send it to: **George Rodriguez, Editor (650) 992 8321**

★ **Buy your raffle tickets early for a chance to win.** ★  
 ★ **Proceeds will be for the benefit of our Branch.** ★

**Members Present 09-01-10**

**83 or 58%**

**Bumper Sticker for Senior:**

**Retirement is the best medicine.**

**Need a ride?  
 Call Bill Gipe**



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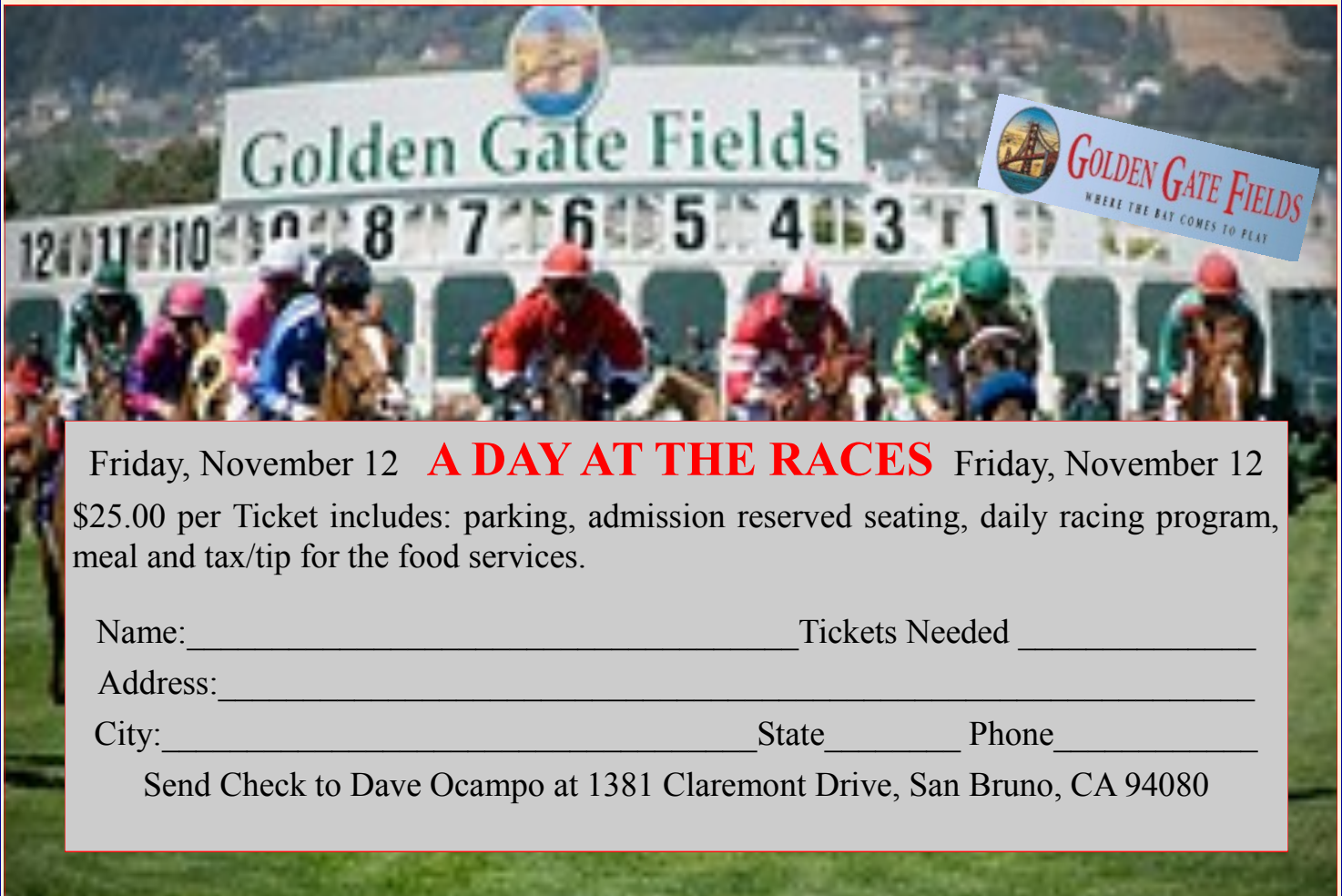
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Friday, November 12 **A DAY AT THE RACES** Friday, November 12  
\$25.00 per Ticket includes: parking, admission reserved seating, daily racing program, meal and tax/tip for the food services.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tickets Needed \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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