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<u>NOV</u>: Turkey, Pumpkin Pie

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**INDUCTION AND** 

"HOLIDAY (Christmas) LUNCHEON"

With Entertainment.

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

## The Fog Horn



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#### **NEXT MEETING: NOVEMBER 3, 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

<u>Luncheon Speaker:</u>
Leonard Hertztein, SF Giants "Ball Dude"

Subject:

Experience at the Candlestick & AT&T Park

## God Bless America

Branch 4 Monthly Newsletter



San Francisco Branch 4

#### **NOVEMBER 2010**

SPECIAL ISSUE

George Rodriguez, Editor

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Happy
Birthday
United States
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## From Big Sir Wayne Veatch

In my columns for September and October, I mentioned our efforts to make membership in

Branch 4 more interesting for you and for prospective members by adding new Activity Groups and sharing activities with other branches in Area I. We're making very good progress on both fronts: My Antique Car Group, which I reported on last month, has had two, tire-kicking meetings in the parking lot after our luncheon meeting and brought cars to the South City Elks Lodge car show on October 17. Bob Fox started his Poker group with a first meeting and round of poker after the last meeting. Counting our ongoing Bowling, CyberSirs, Glee Club and Golf groups, we now have 6 Activity Groups.

On the second front, sharing activities with other Branches in our Area, Tom Keefer, Activities Chair for Branch I, has prepared a list of all activity groups in each of the 6 branches, We can now offer all members in the South City and San Mateo Branches a total of 22 Activity Groups: Amateur Radio, Antique Cars, Bocce Ball, Bowling, Bridge, Computers, Current Events Discussion, Digital Imaging, Dominoes, Economic Research, Fishing, Gardening, Geneology, Glee Club, Golf, Pinochle, Poker, Stamps and Collectibles, Stock Study, Tennis, Theater (couples) and Travel (couples). Of course, we already share Golf tournaments with other Branches. If we lack sufficient interest to start a Group in say, Bocce Ball or Fishing, we can join another Branch on their outings. See any activities that interest you? Give me a call or send me an email (veatchlaw@gmail.com) and I'll forward details of their meetings. Tell your prospective member friends about our full menu of activities.

Speaking of your prospective member friends, when you do talk with them about joining, give them one of the nifty tri-fold brochures that we now have out on the table for you. It's a good way to start conversation and provide answers to the "who are we and what do we do?" questions.

Art Johnson of the USS Hornet Museum is presented a Certificate of Appreciation from Big Sir Wayne Veatch for being the guest speaker at our October Luncheon meeting.



## The Fog Horn

### CLUB ACTIVITIES



## SCOREBOARD AND TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

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

Next Sharp Park Tournament: Tuesday November 9, 2010 first teeoff 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. Jack Major coordinates the match, so Branch 4 goes out second.

Note: The December Sharp Park tournament is the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, December 7, 2010.

The October 12<sup>th</sup> Sharp Park Tournament was played warm conditions, with light Santa Ana winds to start, then a moderate sea breeze later on. The greens were in nice shape. 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 noshows will be required to place a \$20 non-refundable deposit to sign up in the future.

Next Poplar Creek Tournament: Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup>, first teeoff 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 November 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Metropolitan GC**, 10051 Doolittle Dr, Oakland, 510-569-5555, 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** – none in December.

The **NCGA** membership dues for 2011 are \$46, and are due now. Send to Jim Smith before November 6<sup>th</sup>.

The **annual Area 4 Golf lunch** is **Friday November 19, 2010** at the SSF Elks Lodge. You'll nead to have played **three** or more away tournaments for the free steak dinner, else it's \$10. Send the coupon to Jim Smith by November 10<sup>th</sup>. Check the web site <u>SIR Branch 4 Golf</u> 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.

#### ANTIQUE CARS: Wayne Veatch 415-821-1806

We meet immediately after the monthly luncheon meeting in the parking lot. At our last meetings, we viewed and discussed Wayne's 52 Studebaker, Tony Ramirez's 36 Buick and Jim Moore's 68 Plymouth Roadrunner. All who are interested in older cars are welcome.

#### **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.

#### **POKER CLUB:** Bob Fox

There were a number of members that expressed a concern that the \$1 ante I set was too steep. As a result, the ante will be adjusted to \$0.25 with a \$1 maximum bet. Again, interested members can meet immediately following the monthly lunch. There is a poker room located behind the bar at the Elks Club where we will meet November 3rd.

Look forward to seeing you.



## From Little Sir: Robin Jaquith

With Halloween just over we can look forward to Thanksgiving. What a wonderful holiday, Thanksgiving is a true American holiday celebrating our country's beginning. Thanksgiving has been an annual tradition in the United States since 1863. I think of Thanksgiving as a time when the Pilgrims and Native Americans celebrated the fall harvest.

Today I think of Thanksgiving as a time when family and friends get together for a bountiful feast and celebration of our country's riches.

#### Holiday Party

Wednesday, December 1, 2010

Our annual Holiday Party will be held during our regular luncheon meeting, December 1st, don't forget to sign-up for yourself and your lady. Respond to the enclosed flyer. Our luncheon this year will be with Branch 25 and because they are joining us we are able to charge only 25 dollars this year. Look forward to a wonderful lunch and entertainment that should be as good as ever. Our Irish Tenor Dan O'Leary and our Song Master Greg Pantages will sing for us accompanied by our very own George Rodriguez and group.

Lynn Ruth Miller will be our featured entertainer for our Holiday Party. At age 76, Lynn Ruth Miller is a renaissance woman who wears many hats. She entertains audiences of all ages with comedy and song. She is living proof that the older you are, the more fun you have. Lynn Ruth began standup comedy when she turned 70 and has been featured in venues throughout the bay area. She produced and starred in her show **Weapons of Laugh Destruction** with 6 rotating comedians at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in 2005 and was invited back to do comedy and art productions in 2006.

Our Holiday Party should be an outstanding event. It costs only \$25 per person.





At this time of the year, we pause to count our blessings. The freedom of this great country in which we live. Its opportunity for achievement. The friendship and

confidence you have shown in our Branch 4 during our monthly luncheon meeting. For all these things we are deeply thankful. My best wishes, and may you and your loved ones enjoy a bountiful **Thanksgiving Day...** 

May I remind every one to join our annual Holiday (*Christmas*) Luncheon by completing the enclosed reservation slip, and mail it to our *Little Sir Robin Jaquith*. Invite a friend.

Flor S. Mendoza, Asst. Editor

Mike Keller (Center) is a new member, sponsored by Tom Sylvester. Welcome to the Club Mike.



The picture below are the October Birthday Celebrants.

Many were called, but few came up. Happy Birthday!





## Meet Robert Fox, Little Sir 2011

Bob retired from Visa as a Project Manager. He spent most of his career working in large banks including Bank of America.

He is currently residing in the Sunset District in San Francisco.

To mention some of his hobbies/interests are as follows:

volunteer work with the AR organization in SF working with disabled people.

Building an HO model railroad.

Hosting wine tasting with friends.

Attend lectures at the Commonwealth Club

of San Francisco.

Avid reader.

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

#### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

Shut Ins: Chairman: Lee M. Appel (415) 221 6664

**Charles Blake, Maurice Gonzales** 

#### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS-Chairman: Robert Hennig

#### November 2010 Birthdays:

Henry Albert, Art Caponera, Fred Dannecker, Art Encabo
Frank Hanly, Russell Lindquist, Jim Moore
Sakee Poulakidas, Henry Ratti, Meyer Segal

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Membership & Attendance Chairman, William Gipe

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Chairman: William Gipe

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# Holiday (Christmas) Luncheon

With Entertainment

Featuring Lynn Ruth Miller, Master Comedian & Storyteller

December 1, 2010 (Wednesday)

Elks Lodge (650) 589 4030

Stonegate & Hillside Blvd, So. San Francisco, CA

11:00 Social Hour & Adjustment - 12:00 Lunch

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Make up your own table of 8

## MENU:

Tri-tip w/ mushroom sauce or Petrale Sole Dore or Chicken Marsalla
Includes: House Salad, Vegetable,
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