Big Sir: Robin Jaquith 650 355-0805 Little Sir: Bob Fox 415 753-2630 Attendance & membership: Bill Gipe 650 878-5746

Secretary: Eugene Roberts Treasurer: Paul Rosenberg 415 751-9039



God Bless America

MENU

October: Spaghetti with Meatballs, Club Sandwich with French Fries, Éclair with Italian Rum.

November:Turkey,Cobb Salad, Pumpkin Pie

(Salads must be ordered one month in advance)

Big SIR Robin Jaquith



Balmy days and warm evenings, baseball season nearing its end, football upon us, and a new energy that comes from the change in our weather.

Remember that somewhere in this FOG HORN there is a hidden badge number. Look for Badge # xxxx and if you see your number don't forget to call me, Bob Fox or George Rodriguez. Finding your number and reporting it will give you \$5.00 in raffle tickets. Flyers for "A Day at the Races" will be on the table at the meeting. It will be a fun outing, so join in. We have the Christmas/ Holiday Luncheon in December. Look for the flyer. There will be a flyer in the Fog Horn. It will be a Gala affair. All attendees get a ticket for the drawing of prizes. There will be entertainment, Prizes and good times, so join in! See You at the meeting! Robin

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!

Happy Birthday United States Navy



September Speakers Rick Karp and Julia Strzesieski Dave Karp - Founder Cole Hardware



October Speaker
Edgardo Mixco, World Financial.
Investments and Social Security Issues.

Fog Horn Issue October 2011

Meeting October 5th
Next meeting November 2nd
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Little SIR - Bob Fox

Isn't life great when in retirement we have only Saturdays and Sundays in our work week? I've enjoyed this life style 4 years and I never take it for granted. I'm building a model railroad and when a close friend still working visits he always asks me when I'm going to get done. I merely smile and tell him I have no end date identified. Maybe when he retires he'll understand. My wife Cecilia and I love traveling. Currently we are cruising the Mediterranean. And I believe planning a vacation is part of the enjoyment itself. I certainly hope you are feeling fulfilled in your own life.

Retailers bring out holiday things even before Halloween to increase sales. I'm taking a lesson from them to trumpet our upcoming Christmas lunch on December 7. As always it will be at the Elks Club in SSF and we will share the event with Branch 25. Guaranteed there is an allstar lineup of class entertainment planned. So do set that date aside to put yourself in the holiday spirit. A flyer will accompany the next Foghorn. The deadline to sign up is November 15. Hope to see you there.

Quote for the Month: I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate. Anon

The Fog Horn

Golf: Jack Major 415-566-2243 Ken Reed 415 810-3832

2011 Sharp Park Tournaments are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, starting at 0930. The results will be out 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. Copies will be on the golf table at the lunch too.

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The **September 13th Sharp Park Tournament** results will be out on the website when available.

Next Sharp Park Tournament: Tuesday October 11th, 2011 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 before Branch 25.

2011 Poplar Creek Tournaments are scheduled for Tuesday 2/15, 4/19, 6/29 (Wednesday), 8/16, 10/18, and 12/13. **Noshows without notification** will require a **\$10 contribution** to the commissioner's pocket fund at the next tournament.

The August 16th Poplar Creek Tournament results are out on the website.

Next Poplar Creek Tournament: Tuesday October 18th, first tee-off is 1030.

The tournament starts at 1030 for 40 golfers. Sign up at the golf table or call Jack or Ken. 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 Mondays this year.

NEW! Presidio Group Play – Jim Smith has negotiated three dates this year for the Presidio for \$42, \$39 each including cart and \$3 for the prize fund...such a deal! The first two dates were Tuesday May 17th and July 19th, and the last one is November 15, 2011.

On Monday October 24th, Foxtail – North Golf Club, 100 Golf Course Drive, Rohnert Park, CA 94928, 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 –10/24 Foxtail – North, 11/21 Crystal Springs.

Check the web site SIR Branch 4 Golf for updates!



If you want to get a notification of when the Foghorn is available, email Jack Major at jemajor@pacbell.net to set up our email list.

Travel Chairman - Wayne Veatch 415 821-1806

We continue to offer you two levels of travel adventures: local tours, organized for and by Branch 4, and bigger tours, organized by Area 1 and the State. Our last Branch 4 outing, Jack Major's tour of the USS Hornet Museum, was terrific. We'll again take a local tour on Thursday, October 20, this time a tour of the historic Hyde Street Pier Historical Park, again led by Paul Rosenberg and Bob Bowen. See the October Foghorn and listen to the announcement at the October meeting, for details.

Reminder: the Yellow Sheet of Travel Events for 2011 and 2012, prepared by the Area 1 SIR Travel Chairs, and a listing of State SIR tour offerings, arranged by Travel Chairs and professional tour companies are on the website. I have also distributed copies of flyers at luncheon meetings. If you are interested in any of these trips or events, please let me know, so I can coordinate with the sponsor of the trip.

Send me an email (<u>veatchlaw@gmail.com</u>) or call me at 415-821-1806 with your suggestions. And please share this column with your wife or S.O.

They're Off And Running

Golden Gate Fields "Salute to SIR" day at the races, Friday October 21, 2011. If we can get a minimum of 12, the SIR Turf Club package for \$27 pp includes: Valet parking, admission and reserved seating, daily racing program, prime rib buffet, tax/tip for the food servers and a race named in honor of Branch 4. Call (650-355-0805) or email (rjaquith@telis.org) Robin Jaquith today to reserve your spot."

Make 3 people smile today, and everyday!

"Both politicians and diapers need to be changed often and for the same reason!" *Mark Twain*

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!

Birthday Greetings Chairman: Robert Hennig

October 2011 Birthday Celebrants

Elmer Gallegos, Joe Jacinto, Robin Jaquith, Raino Kandelberg, Jim Mayo, Stuart Rich, Samuel Riskin, Art Rogers, Marcus Roth, and Ted Theodosopoulos.

Absentee Special Donor List for August Chairman, Bill Gipe

Branch 4 thanks members for their annual, special, and missed meeting contributions. Your donation pays for branch expenses. August contributors include Andrew Banis, Jack Benjamin, Charles Leach, and David Krow, Art Rogers

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

Membership and attendance Report for September 2011

136 active members- Branch 4 welcomed Donald Nuti in Sept.-Branch 4 inactive members now total 21. Branch 4 remembers Clark Benson, Nick Roccos, Gil Travis, and Jim Triggas.

In Memoriam Gil Travis James Triggas Clark Benson

SIR Happenings is now in its seventh 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.

Officers for 2012

Big SIR – Bob Fox Little SIR – Ken Reed Secretary - Stu Ruth Asst. Secretary – vacant

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Directors

George Fenech, Fred Danneker, George Mourgos, Steve Machado, Thomas Sylvester, Bill Gipe

SIR Luncheons

The price for meals will be raised \$1.00 for 2012. \$15.00 for lunch - \$18.00 for Barbecued Steak

Pinochle George Samoulides 415 564 5384

If you know the game or are interested in learning the game, join us on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Meetings are at the Holy Trinity Christopher Community Center, 999 Brotherhood Way, in San Francisco. Hope to see you there for some fellowship and fun.

Sunshine Committee Shut ins Chairman Lee M. Appel 415 221 6664 Sick List for July 2011

Peter Angelonides, , Nick Rigas, and Jim Triggas.

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 computers are welcome to attend.

Next meeting – October 19th

Glee Club – **George Rodriguez** 650 992-8321

Practice this month.

Bowling – Bob Fox 415 753-2630

Over The Hill Gang badge # 176

Summer season has ended. SIR members not withstanding, here are the actual end-of-season standings:1st. Place - Shockers (Ross Johnson, Mary and Joe Lopez), 2nd. Place - Team 3, all SIRs (Art Tanjuaquio, Joe Jacinto, Rudy Gutierrez), 3rd. Place -Team 8, MCP (Mila and Pete Balcita, Cesar Palarca), 4th. Place - Hang Ten (Lee Mariano, Bill Chew, Maxine Smith), 5th. Place - Team 5 (Sir Al Ertassi, Connie Cuaresma, Robert Villegas), 6th. Place - Team 7 (Berta and Len Gonzalez, Johnny Garcia), 7th. Place - Team 4 (Marie Burkhardt, Sir John Candau, Celia Castillo), 8th. Place - Mean Machine (Ed Ormanski, Mel Jackson, Guenther Kohler), 9th. Place - 3 Clowns, all SIRs (Earl Somers, Dan Kramer, John Ghiglieri), 10th. Place - Star For Char (Charlotte Russell, Jeanne and Michael Walsh).

Individual High Averages: Men - Joe Lopez (182.50) Women - Marie Burkhardt (139.12)

Robert Villegas (179.10) Mila Balcita (136.92)

John Ghiglieri (179.09) Celia Castillo (136.00)

That's all she wrote, folks, until the start of the winter season on he 8th. of September. Earl

Bocce Ball Harry Lieberman Charlie Leach

Meets on Wednesdays at Doelger Senior Center 1st Wednesday, 9:30-11:00 Other Wednesdays, 10-12:00 4th Wed., Wives are welcome

Senior Tennis Harry Lew 415 – 333-2984

We meet Mondays and Thursdays from 10 AM to 12 Noon At Glen Park in San Francisco.

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San Francisco Trivia Quiz by Charlie Leach

1. What is the name of the fountain by the Ferry Building? 2. What is the name of the fountain where people gather to commemorate the April 18,1906 earthquake? 3. What was the first name of the stadium where the Giants play now? (opened in2000). 4. What US President died at the Palace Hotel in 1923? 5. Who was the Russ Building on Montgomery Street named after? 6. What is the name of the large arrow sculpture on Mission St. off 2nd St. (by the Embarcadero)? 7. What district in SF has the highest rate of home ownership in the city? 8. What is the name of the only brewery in SF? 9. What is the name of the city's oldest continually operating theatre (hint, it's in the Mission District)? 10. Where is the free Farmer's Market located?

Look for your badge number!

If you see your badge number, identified with a #, call Robin Jaquith, Bob Fox or George Rodriguez. You will win 5 free raffle tickets. A very good idea from Big SIR Robin, to make September "Bring a Friend Month." The member who brings in the most guests for September, wins 5 free raffle tickets.

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