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#### **Lunch Menu**

### September 2019

House salad w Italian dressing BBQ Steak White cake Alternate: Ceviche salad

#### October 2019

Cesar salad
Prawns
Bananas foster
Alternate: Broiled chicken
sandwich with fries

Our **speaker** for the September lunch meeting is:

Doug Kunze, who joined the Red Cross two years ago, where he holds several positions, among them Partnership Coordinator. Disaster Action Team member and Recovery Supervisor.

He will speak on the how the Red Cross responds to disasters in providing assistance to the victims. This includes how the Red Cross organizes into teams to provide help, recruit volunteers, and responds to requests for relief funding.

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Doug will also discuss his current role with the San Mateo County Management Committee.

He recently returned from a short deployment as the External Relations Lead at Disaster Relief the Operations on the Searles Valley Earthquakes. Searles Valley is a dry lake in the Mojave desert about 90 miles West of Bakersfield. It has experienced some 2.312 earthquakes greater than 1.5 in the 30 days prior to mid-August (source: earthquaketrack.com).

Doug began working with the Red Cross after the San Bruno explosion as a member of the San Bruno Recovery Committee where he served as the Unmet Needs Chairman.

# Membership Report - Bill Gipe

Membership and Attendance:

Active 117
Super Seniors (95+) 3
Total 120

Pending induction 2

#### God Bless America



# September 2019 Issue

Meeting: September 4, 2019

Next meeting: Oct 2, 2019

August lunch attendance totaled 60 members.

Remember to pick up a SIR wallet card at the Badge Table. These cards are handy to spread the word about the SIR lunch and activities to your retired friends.

<u>Sunshine Report</u> Branch 4 sends greetings to Bud Sandkulla, Herman Scholz, and all with challenges these days.

## **Keeping in Touch**

Please mention any SIR friends who you have missed at your table. We will try to contact them.

#### **Remembrance**

Branch 4 notes the passing of Super Senior Mel Kranke (1914-2019). Mel was a treasured member of SIR branches for decades. Branch 4 also lost Super Senior Juan Garcia (1923-2019). Juan attended SIR lunches faithfully and, until recently, was a devoted golfer.

#### **SIR Local Trips**

A BART-able Oakland A's game is planned for Wednesday. **September 18**. Just meet at the Coliseum side of the BART bridge at noon for the 12:37 pm game vs. KC Royals. Sign-up at the lunch or call 650-878-5746.

Golden Gate Fields "SIR Day at the Races" is scheduled for Friday **October. 18**. Details at the lunch.

Any ideas for a future local SIR day trip? Please write your idea on the Badge Table local trip clipboard, or leave a message for Bill Gipe at 650-878-5746..

Branch 4 remembers the September birthdays of Bruno Andreatta, Pete Carrillo, Stu Etzler, George Fenech, Bill Gipe, Bob Golton, Spiro Jouganatos, Bud Sandkulla, and Chris Stoll...

Golf: Jack Major 415-412-6654 (cell) and Ken Reed 415-810-3832.

A 2019 summary of the **local SIR golf rules** has been published and is now available. Pick up a copy on the golf table or check the web site: <a href="http://branch4.sirinc2.org/golf.h">http://branch4.sirinc2.org/golf.h</a> tml.

The 2019 Sharp Park Tournaments are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, starting at 0930. Check the website for the current schedules and past results. Copies will be on the golf table at the lunch too. Make sure I have your email for alerts, lineups, and results.

The **August 13**th match was played in ideal conditions. Course conditions were fine, and the cart situation was better, since we reserved 10 ahead of time 055. Results were too late for press time, but you should get an email of the winners, and details on the website.

**Next Sharp Park Tournament:** Tuesday, September 10<sup>h</sup> - first tee-off is 0930. SIR members and their quests are invited. There's breakfast that starts at **0815**, so you want to get there early. At least, check in a halfhour before your tee time. The lineup will be sent out by email a few days before. Sharp Park fees are \$54 - \$22 green, \$13 breakfast, \$13 cart. \$6 prizes...No cart or breakfast saves you \$13 each.

The **2019 Poplar Creek Tournaments** are all scheduled for **Tuesdays** this year -2/19, 4/23, 6/18, 8/20, 10/22, 11/19, 12/17 – starting at 1015.

The Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup> Tournament results were too late for press time and were emailed and available on the website.

Next Poplar Creek
Tournament: Tuesday
October 22<sup>nd</sup> - first tee-off is
1015. Sign up at the golf table
or call Jack or Ken. Green (\$33),
prize fees (\$7), and golf fund

replenishment (\$5) are \$45; optional cart fees are \$33 double, \$23 single, payable at the Pro Shop. Prize merchandise vouchers can't be used for cart rentals during tournaments.

SIR Area 4 Away Golf Tournaments: Crystal Springs or Metropolitan coming up in September. News at the lunch or will be emailed.

Stand by for updates. Sign up for the tournaments at the golf table at the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday lunch

Computer Club - Jerry Blumenthal - Chair (415) 728-5573 or glblumenthal@gmail.com

Generally meets every 3rd Wednesday at the Doelger Senior Center. On Wednesday September 18, the Computer Club will not meet rather than interfere with the conflicting A's Baseball trip.

#### Walk for Health - Ken Reed -

Meets on the last Friday of the month at a variety of locations at 9:45 AM. The walks are scenic, fun, and full of camaraderie. An email is sent monthly as to the current location. Guests welcome.

Look for your badge number in the Foghorn, if you see a number that just doesn't belong in the context and it's yours, claim your 6 free tickets for the raffle

# From the SIR Picnic – Flood Park – Wednesday August 14, 2019 Pictures by John Cooney



John Cooney & Big SIR Stuart Etzler



Marilyn Cooney & Little SIR Stuart Ruth



Bill Gipe Cornpone throw



Nancy Kelly Cornpone throw



Roger Kelly & George Suter Horseshoes



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