

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

By Big Sir Rob Ingebretson



As I start 2024 as your Big Sir I can only reflect back to when I joined in 2004. It didn't take me long to love the organization. After volunteering for many jobs along the way I became the Big Sir in 2014 and now some ten years later I am your Big Sir again. I can only think of the many men that continue to

give their all for the good of this organization and have helped me immeasurably in my walk. Sadly many of them are no longer with us.

As your Big Sir I can look forward with confidence that the inherent value and legacy of SIR will continue to be a driving force for continuity and growth this year and into the future. With my partner, Rob Perrill, our Little Sir, I know our future is bright. Remembering what a good friend in our organization and my mentor who has passed on, Fred Gotthard, once said, "the purpose of SIR is to maintain old friendships, making new acquaintances and avoiding the boredom caused by inactivity."

We have been given a legacy of immeasurable value. As we have accepted the benefits offered via membership in SIR, now let us accept the responsibilities we owe for this unique opportunity to give something back to the organization that has given us enormous pleasure in our retirement years. In that vein, if you look around our organization you see so many of the same men volunteering over and over each year. Isn't it time **YOU** stepped up to help in some way? If someone gives you a call (like me) and asks for your help in doing something for this organization, please say "YES" – you will be glad you did and I will help you.

**January 17th Luncheon Menu**  
**Beef Stroganoff and Jerusalem Chicken**  
**Noodles and Rice**

**Steamed Vegetables, Green Salad and Dinner Rolls**  
**Cake for dessert**

## JANUARY GUEST SPEAKER

Jeff Katz - Sales Manager of Acacia Creek



Our January presentation will feature Jeff Katz, Sales Manager of Acacia Creek Retirement Community in Union City. A Detroit native, Jeff spent his formative years in Southern California before relocating to the Bay Area two

decades ago. His journey began in his father's hardware store during his teenage years, and over the next 30 years, he established himself as a reputable real estate broker. However, a decade ago, Jeff discovered his true calling and has since dedicated his efforts to working with seniors. During the upcoming presentation, Jeff will delve into the various levels of care that are available to seniors. Join us for an insightful discussion led by someone with a wealth of experience and a genuine passion for the well-being of our elderly community.



RSVP to the January 17th Luncheon by responding to the eVite or by notifying Ken Brunskill at 510-299-3186 or email [steamtrout@comcast.net](mailto:steamtrout@comcast.net)

Can you find Rollie? 

You can win a bottle of wine if your name is selected. Submit your answer by placing your name and the page number where Rollie is located in the Pathfinder onto a slip of paper and into the Rollie "tub." The tub is located on the table where you line up for lunch or at the small table up front.



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Meets at Fremont Elks  
38991 Farwell Drive,  
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month

10:00 AM

Executive Board Meeting  
11AM Social Hour  
12 Noon Lunch



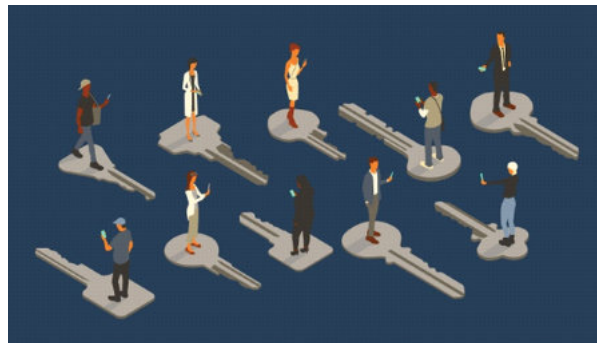
## Passkeys: What They Are and Why You Need Them ASAP

We tell you what passkeys are, how you can get them, and where you can use them to log in securely without exposing your email address or creating a password.

By Kim Key

Updated October 24, 2023

I'm sick of passwords. They're somehow both easily guessable and hard to remember, and keeping them out of the hands of criminals is tough. To solve that problem, the Fast Identity Online (FIDO) Alliance developed passkeys, a form of passwordless authentication technology. Passkeys eliminate the need to enter your email address or password into login fields all around the web, making it harder for criminals to steal your credentials and get into your accounts.



Passkeys have plenty of benefits; for example, they cannot be guessed or shared. Passkeys are resistant to phishing attempts because they're unique to the sites they're created for, so they won't work on fraudulent lookalike sites. Most importantly, in the age of near-constant data breaches, your passkeys cannot be stolen by hacking into a company's server or database, making the data extracted in such breaches less valuable to criminals. Best of all, this new technology isn't just theoretical. We are encouraged to see big tech companies like Amazon adopting passkeys. But what exactly are they? We're here to explain.

### What Is a Passkey?

A passkey is a way to log in to apps and websites without using a username and password combination. It's a pair of cryptography keys generated by your device. A public key and a private key combine to create a passkey that unlocks your account.

Apps or websites store your unique public key. Your private key is only stored on your device, and after your device authenticates your identity, the two keys combine to grant you access to your account. We tell you how to put this into practice in our [guide for setting up and using passkeys](#).

Usually, the device or software generating the passkeys uses a biometric authentication tool, such as FaceID or TouchID, to authenticate your identity. If a password manager is the passkey source, you can log in to the app using a strong master password instead of biometric authentication. Passkeys are unique to each app or website and stored in a password manager's vault or your device's keychain. Passkeys can sync across devices, making them a convenient choice.

### Why Do You Need Passkeys?

The widespread adoption of passwordless authentication like passkeys couldn't come at a more critical time. Researchers at Digital Shadows reported that, as of 2022, more than 24 billion login credentials had been exposed by data breaches. That number is up 65% since 2020, and researchers believe malware attacks, social engineering scams, and password sharing are to blame for the increase.

The report concludes that widespread passkey adoption by both users and website owners is necessary to keep criminals from taking over accounts using stolen username and password combinations. Account takeovers and identity theft incidents resulting from data breaches can be mitigated by enabling multi-factor authentication for your online accounts and using a password manager to create and store new credentials or passkeys for each login page you encounter online.

## Where Can You Use Passkeys?

You can use passkeys to log into many websites, including Best Buy, eBay, Google, Kayak, and PayPal. Password management company 1Password maintains a community site where users can report websites that accept logins using passkeys. Currently, some of the sites on that list, such as Adobe.com, still require a traditional username and password for initial account creation and logins, but you can set up a passkey to use for future logins by visiting the Settings menu.

Swift passkey adoption by major apps and websites is encouraging, but it may take time for passkey adoption for websites owned by individuals or small companies. Some sites don't even support multi-factor authentication yet, so we may have to wait a while for the newest FIDO security standards to completely eradicate passwords.

Many of the password managers I've reviewed for PCMag, such as 1Password and Dashlane, can store and create passkeys for you. If you already have a password manager subscription, keep it up! A password manager makes it easy to store and use both your old credentials and new passkeys when you log in. If you don't use a password manager, it's not too late to try being more secure with your personal data. Android and iOS users can store their passkeys locally and access them using the keychain app on their mobile devices.

So for now, use passkeys where you can, and ensure you have multi-factor authentication enabled on any accounts supporting it. You should also keep using a password manager to create and store your credentials until you don't need them anymore.

### Sir Sammy Lum Birthday Chairman



You may have noticed that our birthday procedure has changed. If it is your birthday month you are to pick up a lei in the box located next to the gentleman that gives you your badge when you enter. You are to wear it during the luncheon and you may sit anywhere you want as there will no longer be a birthday table. Some time during the luncheon you will be given the opportunity to say your name and how old you are. After all the birthdays have been announced there will be a drawing for a bottle of wine given to one of the birthday members present. We ask that when you leave the luncheon that you please return your lei to the same box where you picked it up.

## January Birthdays



Thomas Blalock  
Age 92



Sterling Strickland  
Age 90



Dominic Aiello  
Age 82



Clem Paraiso  
Age 80



Robert Marshall  
Age 76



Harvey Look  
Age 75



Michael Burns  
Age 74



Michael Huntzinger  
Age 73

### SUNSHINE REPORT by Sir Rob Ingebretson

**Sad to report Harvey McAninch, a former Big Sir will be entering hospice care. Please pray for Harvey through this difficult time.**



Victor Okumura  
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*We will celebrate the December 2023 birthdays this month along with the January birthdays.*



### Christmas Luncheon



## CYBER GEEZERS



Cyber Geezers meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month. The meeting will begin at 1:00 pm. Login information is given below.

Recent topics have included Artificial Intelligence (AI), cyber security, EVs, photography, and various other topics. Join us and get your tech questions

answered.

Please send any suggested topics to Jerry at [jlsabo3@comcast.net](mailto:jlsabo3@comcast.net).

**Join the next Zoom Cyber Geezer Meeting**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/96358532596>

**Meeting ID: 963 5853 2596**

## POKER



The "Dealer's Lunch Bunch" meets for Poker every month on the Monday immediately following our monthly luncheon. We currently have about 10 members who routinely attend games. We have a seven-seat table, so space is limited to the first seven

players who reserve. But don't let that stop you from joining our group! We have had up to 10 players (lots of common card games) since the group started, and IF we consistently get more than 10 reservations, we will open a second table.

The buy-in is \$10, with dime-quarter-half dollar chips, so it is within everyone's means. If you have a desire to play, please contact Sir Larry Jett ([larrywjett@gmail.com](mailto:larrywjett@gmail.com)), or Sir Bob Marshall ([hdog48@gmail.com](mailto:hdog48@gmail.com)).

## BOCCE BALL



We have free use of the new court at the beautiful Warm Springs Age Well Center on Fridays. Meet up is every Friday at 10:00 a.m. at 47111 Mission Falls Ct. (near Warm Springs Blvd. and Warren Ave). This will be a co-ed activity; everyone is welcome. Bocce Ball is easy to learn and very fun to play. For more

information contact Howard Elz at [ELZH663@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ELZH663@GMAIL.COM)

## GENEALOGY



Are you interested in finding who your ancestors are? We have been meeting after the Wednesday Luncheon. For more information contact Paul Parhiala at [PARHIALACFP@EARTHLINK.NET](mailto:PARHIALACFP@EARTHLINK.NET)

## BOWLING



We have plenty of room for bowlers to join us on Mondays (Earl Anthony Bowl-Dublin) beginning at 11:00 am. Arrive at least 15 minutes early for lane assignments and practice. Cost is \$15 per week including a weekly prize pot. For more information contact Miguel Ferras at [MIGUELFERRAS@MSN.COM](mailto:MIGUELFERRAS@MSN.COM)

## GOLF



Golf is in full swing with regular play at Spring Valley in Milpitas every Tuesday around 9:00 am. We usually get three tee times on a first-come-first-served basis. Pairings are changed regularly to ensure everyone plays with everybody. Open to all abilities!

We will soon also open up Thursday for those interested, probably at Redwood Canyon in Castro Valley.

Call, text or email Jim Ulam or Larry Lardie with any questions.

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## WEDNESDAY WALKERS



Come join us on a weekly walk every Wednesday at 9:00 am. The location is updated once a week. We walk about one hour. Get some exercise and visit with other Sirs. Everyone is welcome, we are co-ed. For more information contact Jerry Ford at

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## PINOCHLE



We are meeting after the Wednesday Luncheon. For more information contact Victor Okumura at [VICTOROKUMURA13@GMAIL.COM](mailto:VICTOROKUMURA13@GMAIL.COM)

## FLY FISHING



We have been meeting after the Wednesday luncheon. For more information contact Ken Brunskill at

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## CORNHOLE



Play after the Wednesday luncheon. For more information contact Rick Henry at

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## THE BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (BEC)

Do you even know what it is? Well it is a bunch of members, like you, that keep our branch operating. They would love to have you come and watch and listen to one of their meetings. Their meetings start at 10:00 am near the bar at our Elk's Lodge and finish at 11:00 am. right before our social hour. Although you cannot participate in the voting, your opinion is welcomed. Attending one of their meetings might spark an interest in you to volunteer and become more of an active member or learn how to become part of the BEC.

## COUPLES WINE TASTING



I am happy to report that our SIRs wine tasters had a great event at Dante Robere Vineyards on October 13th. We had 29 in attendance, which was the biggest turnout of the year. Thanks to all who attended. The wine, socializing, snacking and weather were all outstanding. As I had previously mentioned, this was our last wine tasting event of 2023. So now I am looking forward 2024. I'll be e-mailing a short survey to the group. I'll use the responses to help plan our 2024 events.

Email me at [fmtlangs@pacbell.net](mailto:fmtlangs@pacbell.net) or call or text me at 510-290-6007.

Suggestions are welcome for future events.

Thanks,

Andy Lang -Couples Wine Tasting Activity Honcho

## AI changing area universities, coursework

By Chase DiFelicianantonio

Artificial intelligence is poised to rapidly change everything from how we drive to how we live, work and play. And in the Bay Area, where the nascent industry is largely based, it is already changing how, and what, universities teach.

Professors at schools across the region said they are increasingly using AI to solve classroom tasks and administrative snags while making familiarity with the technology a requirement for their students. And, they said, students across all sorts of disciplines — not just technical fields — are showing much more interest in how AI affects their chosen area of study.

From Stanford to UC Berkeley, San Francisco State to San Jose State, pupils studying law, philosophy, medicine and other topics are being drawn to understand AI and its effect on their subjects. In response, schools are offering new classes on how to incorporate the technology into everything from accounting to filmmaking to ethics.

San Francisco State computer science professor Dragutin Petkovic has offered a certificate in ethical and explainable AI since 2019, taught alongside courses in philosophy and business. He said the release of ChatGPT last year and the boom in interest in generative programs that can seemingly

write and create images has changed who takes his class — and what's discussed.

"There is much more interest in the last year," Petkovic said, adding that the class was about half computer science students during the last semester, with the other half a mix of philosophy students and those from other disciplines. "This year I have a lawyer, a dissident from Iran, and a former employee of OpenAI," among others, he said.

Even his software engineering courses, which challenge students to come up with and code different kinds of applications, have incorporated generative software to write and edit code, Petkovic said. He allows his students to use the technology to help create their programs, but requires them to author papers on the experience and its comparative benefits versus traditional methods.

One of Petkovic's students, John Kongtcheu, used an AI tool called GitHub copilot to help with coding his final project, having used AI programs in the past to work on software projects. "I use it like a buddy," Kongtcheu said. He said it was particularly useful to knock out otherwise time-intensive tasks more quickly, and for editing code he has already written.

Another of Petkovic's students, Brandon Watanabe, said he'll sometimes drop a chunk of unfamiliar code into an AI engine and ask what it is for, and get a response written in fluent

English instead of having to pull it apart himself or scroll online message boards.

When the AI certificate was first offered four years ago “the problem was quite new,” said San Francisco State professor Carlos Montemayor, who teaches the philosophy section and just published a book he is also using in his course called “The Prospect of a Humanitarian Artificial Intelligence.”

“The majority of students I had four years ago were a little bit more siloed,” Montemayor said. Now, he teaches philosophy students curious about AI — as well as computer science students curious about the philosophy of AI, among others.

“Students (know) that if they don’t understand it at all, they will be left behind,” he added.

San Francisco State also offered courses this academic year that it did not the year before. Among those were classes on using AI, blockchain technology and automation in accounting, and another called “Filmmaking in the Age of AI.”

Stanford also has added courses, including one on medical applications of generative AI programs such as ChatGPT and image generator DALL-E, where students pitch and brainstorm applications for the technology in the field to peers and faculty.

New and different course offerings and increased interest in them aren’t the only changes being wrought by the technology at the university level.

UC Berkeley professor Narges Norouzi started encouraging her computer science students this fall to take advantage of OpenAI’s GPT-4, albeit in a limited way, to solve knotty coding challenges. The technology’s AI-generated coding hints can help students push through tough problems and get faster results.

The effort is still in the testing phase, mainly in her introduction to coding class, Norouzi said, and does not give students access to the full-on chat-bot. Instead, a program she fashioned using the technology allows students to click a button that then prompts GPT-4 for a hint based on the material they are working on and, increasingly, what the program knows about the class and student learning patterns.

Students have been critiquing the coding hints, which Norouzi said will be incorporated into future versions of the tool through a process called reinforcement learning from human feedback. Over time, it will be able to increasingly understand how students learn and make better prompts.

Another program still in the testing phase that Norouzi hopes to incorporate into classes next year will feed GPT-4 with information from course texts and an online student Q&A portal, called Edison. The goal is for the program to learn from that material and be able to speedily answer many of the thousands of questions students pose to Edison every semester.

One data course has roughly 1,300 students, Norouzi said, and teachers’ assistants can be heavily burdened with answering every question that pops up on Edison.

“We’ve been working on how to give the (model) the right context,” Norouzi said. That means training it to know whether to reference a course text or a homework description or the syllabus to see if a question has already been asked and answered.

She said a related tool that she plans to make available to students next semester can perform similar context queries of course materials, but with an eye toward shortening the long waits that can crop up when students sign up for office hours for one-on-one time with professors.

“The queues get as long as four hours wait time,” Norouzi said. So she has created a chat-bot based on GPT-4 versed in the course material that students can converse with, hopefully solving their problem without having to wait in line.

“Hopefully this can help us move faster in the queue and help serve more students,” especially in larger courses, she said.

San Jose State professor Ahmed Banafa has made familiarity with artificial intelligence a requirement for graduating from his courses.

“The minute ChatGPT came out ... I realized immediately this is different,” said Banafa, who teaches classes in computer networking, operating systems, cybersecurity and other topics.

Banafa said that since ChatGPT’s release, he has required undergraduate senior projects and the work of the master’s degree students he supervises to have an artificial intelligence component, be it a chatbot to interface with an app a student built or some other kind of integration with OpenAI’s software.

“I realized my students have to have something to talk about in interviews with companies, and be able to talk about AI,” Banafa said.

San Francisco State senior Cleveland Plonsey, who’s one of Petkovic’s students, said he already uses generative AI at his internship and expects to continue using it in his career. He notes that he’s required to document when he uses AI to manipulate code.

Campuses, particularly public universities, also have a broader role to play in parsing what it means that AI is likely here to stay, beyond just incorporating the technology into a range of classes.

“There is a larger debate that is just starting,” said Montemayor, the philosophy professor. While some believe AI should be incorporated into all aspects of life, others are concerned about its ability to concentrate power and wealth in the hands of a few executives and large companies and its potential effect on the environment and the workforce of the future, he said.

“Most of the people that I’ve seen talk at Stanford (about AI) work at Google or are very close to Silicon Valley,” and tend to express the dominant voice of the AI industry, Montemayor said.

“The voices of public institutions really need to be considered as a way of balancing” those two sides, he said.



## SUPER QUIZ

Take this Super Quiz to a Ph.D. Score 1 point for each correct answer on the Freshman Level, 2 points on the Graduate Level and 3 points on the Ph.D. Level.

### Subject: SHIPS THAT DON'T SAIL

Each answer is a word that ends in "ship." (Alternate answers may be possible.) (e.g., A competition to find the best player or team in a sport or game. Answer: Championship.)

### FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. The Hindenburg disaster involved one of these ships.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

2. If you have this you are legally accepted as belonging to a country.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

3. The process of removing parts of books, movies, letters, etc. that are considered inappropriate.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

4. The activity of showing respect and love for a god.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

5. A state involving mutual dealings and a good relationship between people.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

### GRADUATE LEVEL

6. The position of being one of two people who own a company.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

7. The act of a business paying the cost of an event in return for advertising.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

8. Government by someone who takes power by force and does not allow elections.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

9. An arrangement in which someone learns an art, trade or job under another.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

10. The time when two people have a romantic relationship before they get married.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

### PH.D. LEVEL

11. The state of a business being controlled by an official appointed by the court.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

12. Writing done by hand, or skill in this type of writing.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

13. The fact of being related to someone.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

14. Something that makes your life more difficult or unpleasant.

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

15. Financial aid provided to a student on the basis of academic merit.

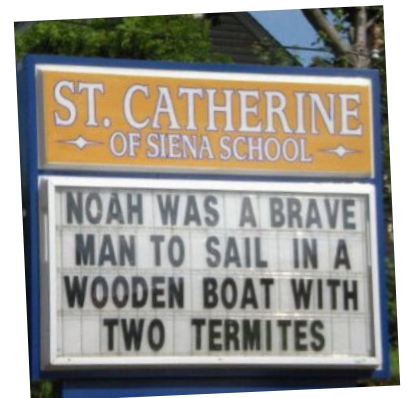
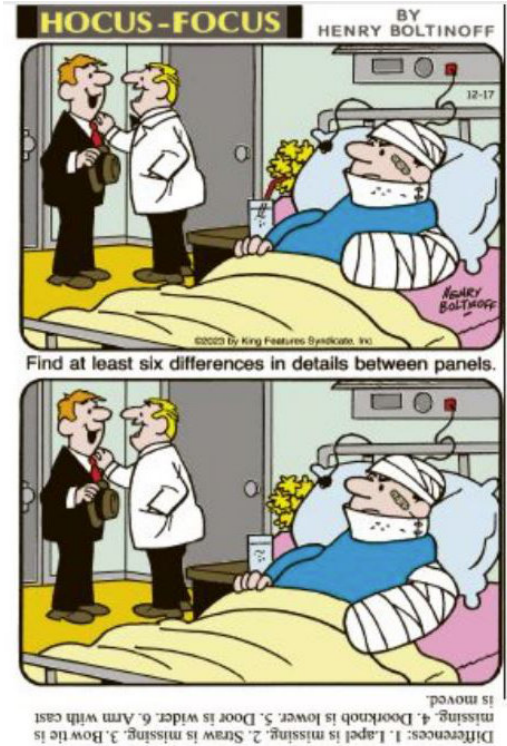
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**ANSWERS:** 1. Airship. 2. Citizenship. 3. Censorship. 4. Worship. 5. Friendship. 6. Partnership. 7. Sponsorship. 8. Dictatorship. 9. Apprenticeship. 10. Courtship. 11. Receivership. 12. Penmanship. 13. Kinship. 14. Hardship. 15. Scholarship.

### SCORING:

24 to 30 points — congratulations, doctor; 18 to 23 points — honors graduate; 13 to 17 points — you're plenty smart, but no grind; 5 to 12 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 4 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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December 13, 2023. We all woke up to heavy fog, but by 9 AM it had cleared enough to give the SIR Walkers a bit of sun to dazzle the remaining leaves on the trees. Even the remnants of the fog took part in some of the pictures. The best part of the walk was the last. I know, we could nearly always say that - Whew! We're done - but today Bill Bauhofer brought donut-holes for an after-walk feast. The photo of the long arm grabbing for a donut hole is none other than that of our BIG SIR Jerry Halligan, nearly starved after the long walk.



## **Favorite Restaurants**

I don't have a favorite meal, but I do recommend **Massimo's** in general as a restaurant. Some of their best entrees are pasta and chicken dishes.

Ted Bresler

My favorite restaurant is **The Dragon House** in Union City. I love Chinese food and my favorite dish is sweet and sour pork. I think I am part Chinese because my middle name is Lee.

Ingy

One of our favorites is **Zephyr Grill & Bar** in Livermore. A bit on the classy side. I really like their seafood chowder and crispy fish sandwich. On Mondays they have martinis for \$6.

A go-to place in Fremont is the **Market Broiler**. Not fancy, but nice. A large menu with lots of seafood choices. Have never been disappointed there.

Andy Lang

**Tomatina**

For the pasta lover their menu will make you salivate...great food and service and oh yes their pizza is really good too....

**Texas Roadhouse**

By far when you have the need for a super steak and all the sides this stop is my favorite. Service is good the only downfall is the noise level.

**Baldie's Cafe**

For us retired seniors this is the place to go.....a lot of food for your buck breakfast lunch and dinner. Super staff great service.

Richard Henry



***Let us know where you like to eat out at and we can share it with the rest of our fellow Sirs. You can email your recommendations to [sirbranch59@gmail.com](mailto:sirbranch59@gmail.com).***





# CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON REVIEW



I want to take this opportunity to thank all those that had a hand in making our annual Christmas Luncheon a success.

First of all, Daniel and his staff did a wonderful job with the food preparation and service.

The beautiful centerpieces were made by Tom Blalock's wife Gail and her assistant, Bob Doherty's wife Lauren.

Our door prizes were plentiful as we had well over forty gifts to give away. I want to thank Dave Nelsen for his hand crafted amber liquid bowl and Bruce Roberts for the beautiful framed photographs. These two SIR members showed off their wonderful talent. A special thank you to Jerry Ford's wife Anita for the two gorgeous gift baskets she created. Thanks to my two angel's, Catherine Ploor who sold the door prizes tickets, and my sweet wife for giving out the name badges. To all those members that donated personal gifts they purchased, thank you. A special thanks for the efforts of several of our SIR members who contributed multiple gifts obtained from our generous merchants. The following is a list of the merchants that contributed to the success of our door prize drawings: Country Way Restaurant, Olive Garden Restaurant, Spin-A-Yarn Steak House, Bogie's Pet Store, Dale Hardware, Classic Diner, Dina's Family Restaurant, Papillon French Restaurant, El Rodeo Mexican Restaurant, Cabrillo Park Restaurant, Lazy Dog Restaurant, Jack's Brewery, Costco, B.J.'s Restaurant, Red Lobster, Market Broiler, and Mountain Mike's Pizza in Newark. If you ever get a chance to visit any of these merchants tell them how much you appreciated their donation that contributed to the success of our luncheon.

Finally, the entertainment which made the party special, was provided by Dave Badilla and his guitar. His music entertained us during our social hour and while we were eating. Many couples took the opportunity to dance to his fine music. After we finished eating and distributing our door prizes we were entertained by the James Logan High School Jazz Choir under the direction of Erin McShane. Their harmony to the many Christmas songs they sang was delightful.

Your Social Committee,  
Rob Perrill, Dug Howd, Fred Serena, Bill Bauhofer, Jerry Ford, and Rob Ingebretson

## *December 20<sup>th</sup> Christmas Luncheon*



*Big Sir Jerry Halligan*



*Entertainment provided by Dave Badilla and his guitar*



*Lucky winners of the many door prizes*



*The Social Committee, (L-R) Sir Rob Ingebretson, Sir Fred Serena, Sir Rob Perrill, Sir Bill Bauhofer, Sir Dug Howd and Sir Jerry Ford handing out the door prizes*



*Wow, look at all the door prizes!*



*Social Chairman Sir Rob Ingebretson and his committee put on a fantastic event*



*The Logan High School Jazz Choir performance was well received at the luncheon!*



## SIR Branch 59 Membership Dues for 2024

Please make checks payable to SIR Branch 59

Amount : \$50

Deadline: February 28, 2024

Mail to : Larry Lardie, 38247 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, CA. 94536 or bring your **check** (preferred form of payment) or cash to the luncheon. Return the form below with your payment.

**NOTE:** \$60 for members who have not paid their dues by February 28, 2024.



## SIR Branch 59 Membership Dues for 2024

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