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Lunch Reservation Form

For 2015 Enclosed



It was great to see everyone who could make it to the luncheon last year. Renewing old friendships (and making new ones), reminiscing and commiserating about old times never seems to get old and always brings back fond memories to both old and new members.

This year's lunch reservation form is enclosed with this newsletter. Last year's luncheon was the 2nd year that we have

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IN MEMORIAM

George Ertl Vivian Gomez

Editor's Note Remember, if you hear anything regarding former SF Yard employees, call Rich (916-865-9764) or Lou (707-554-2342).



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held our annual get together on the first Monday in December. Unfortunately, attendance at our gathering had suffered because the luncheon followed the Thanksgiving Holiday. (Check out Marilyn Hierro's note on the last page of this newsletter). We are hoping that the third time is a charm because the first Monday of December this year does not closely follow Turkey Day. We anticipate that more members, family and friends will be in attendance. Perhaps we should discuss a different day and venue, if necessary, at our meeting.

Once again, the luncheon and meeting this year will be on Monday, December 7, 2015 at the South San Francisco Elk's Lodge. PDF copies of this *Navigator* and lunch reservation form will be sent to those who have email addresses on file with us. We ask that you print the reservation form, fill it out and return it in accordance with the instructions on the bottom of the form. If you have difficulty opening the newsletter and attachments let me know at <u>rjcassin@yahoo.com</u>. Put "Navigator" in the subject line.





Please furnish your email address to us if you haven't in the past, and be sure to update us if you change your email address. Just send the change to us by email. We will still send out newsletters to those of you who do not use email.

I received an email from Kay Lynn Hill, who was a personal assistant to Bill Dwyer, on September 9, 2015. Unfortunately, that was the same day I underwent surgery (for what seems like the umpteenth time) on my bladder. I have since responded to her and am going to forward her interesting email separately to those on the email list. I will enclose a copy of her email to all others on the BethRet mailing list. She has copies of original old drawings of vessels that were built at the Union Iron Works, predecessor to Bethlehem Steel's San Francisco Yard.

Thank You

A big "Thank You" to Lou Vides, Elaine Cisco, and Margie King for once again helping out at last year's luncheon. Vivian Gomez, who for years did a good job at the sign-in table, has passed away. She had told me that she enjoyed working the door with Bob O'Sullivan and had missed everyone the last few years.

------I-also-want-to-Bill Perez-for-his-----Bethlehem Museum update. Last, but not least, many thanks everyone who brought items to auction and raffle off. We have endeavored to hold the price of this year's luncheon to \$25. I hope most of you will be able to attend this year's luncheon and I am hoping we see some of you that could not attend last year (or the year before) due to the proximity of





the Thanksgiving holiday. Once again, I look forward to reminiscing with all of you and also enjoying a libation or two with you.

Take care and see you soon, Rich

Treasurer's Report

Income & Expense January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Lunch donations	\$1,150.00
Other donations	105.00
Raffle / Auction proceeds	<u>190.00</u>
Total Income	\$1,445.00
Lunch Expense	\$ 882.19
Newsletter (copy service)	167.66
Bank charge	16.00
Postage, PO Box and supplies	20.09
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Total Expense	\$1,085.94
Net Income (loss)	\$ 359.06
	Balance Sheet December 31, 2014
Cash & Checking Account	\$ 1,270.45
Prepaid lunch deposit	0.00
Prepaid postage	<u>40.95</u>
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Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,311.40</u>

Total Equity

December 1, 2014 Meeting Synopsis

\$ 1,311.40

Rich called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and extended holiday greetings to all. A moment of silence was held in memory of our departed SF Yard comrades and for all veterans, past and present. He then read letters from members who were not able to attend. The BethRet financial report was given.

New business: Rich asked for a motion from the floor to add Lourdes (Lou) Vides to the bank account. Motion was made by Bob Greeno, seconded and passed unanimously.

Rich then introduced Bill Perez who gave us an update of related waterfront and community events that the Bethlehem Shipyard Museum organization was involved in during 2014 along with planned future events.

An auction was held; raffle winnings and Holiday door prizes were given out. Next year's luncheon and meeting will be Monday, December 7, 2015 with details to be published in the Fall 2015 newsletter and the meeting was adjourned.

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LETTERS:

Email (11/26/14) from Gayne.....

Well it is that time of year again and as usual I am behind in all things important like saying Hello to all the guys and gals from the Bethlehem San Francisco Shipyard. Beverly and I will not be able to join all of you this year because, of all things, we are going to Florida for Christmas. Our Granddaughter just bought a home there and invited us down for the Christmas Holiday. So we will pack our sleigh and off to the south for Christmas. Speaking of our sleigh it is snowing as I send this note. It is our first of the season and as long as you don't have to get out in it, it is very pretty. Well, one and all, I hope each of you has a great holiday season and of course a Very Merry Christmas. To Rich and the gang that put this together Thank You again. It is wonderful to know that getting together with all the folks we worked with all those years is still a priority and that we all look forward to our time together. We wish for all of you a Joyous Holiday Season and Very Happy New Year. Gayne and Beverly

Rich,

Will not be able to attend this year. Michael (Nastari) and I will definitely be there next year. Too close to Thanksgiving so my boss was not too happy that I requested Monday off also. Sending a small donation for BethRet. See you soon, Marilyn Hierro

Rich,

Good to here from you. I will not be able to come.....please say "Hi" to everyone and tell them I've been thinking of them....I really do miss attending the luncheons and seeing everyone. Bob Reed

2014 LUNCH ATTENDEES

Adofo Austin **David Beaupre Rudy Brito Richard Cassinerio** Elaine Cisco Martin Ertl Barbara Greeno Robert Greeno **Gladys Hansen Richard Hansen Dave Hanson** Kenny Johnson Margie King **Dennis Koller** Sarah Koller Ron Leon Gary Moss Bob O'Sullivan Nick Pack Mark Paez William Perez Barbara Rubino Gary Rubino Charles Soldavini Terrie Soldavini Andy Tarantino Lou Vides Tom Wilder

Calendar

October 24, 2015

Potrero Hill History Night. For info & future events go to the website: www.bethlehemshipyardmuseum.org

December 7, 2015

BethRet annual lunch and meeting. Reservation form is enclosed in this issue of the *Navigator*.

Editor's note:

I want to thank all the hard working people involved with the Bethlehem Shipyard Museum for their contributions (info and photos) to the *Navigator*.

See you at the luncheon, Rich

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