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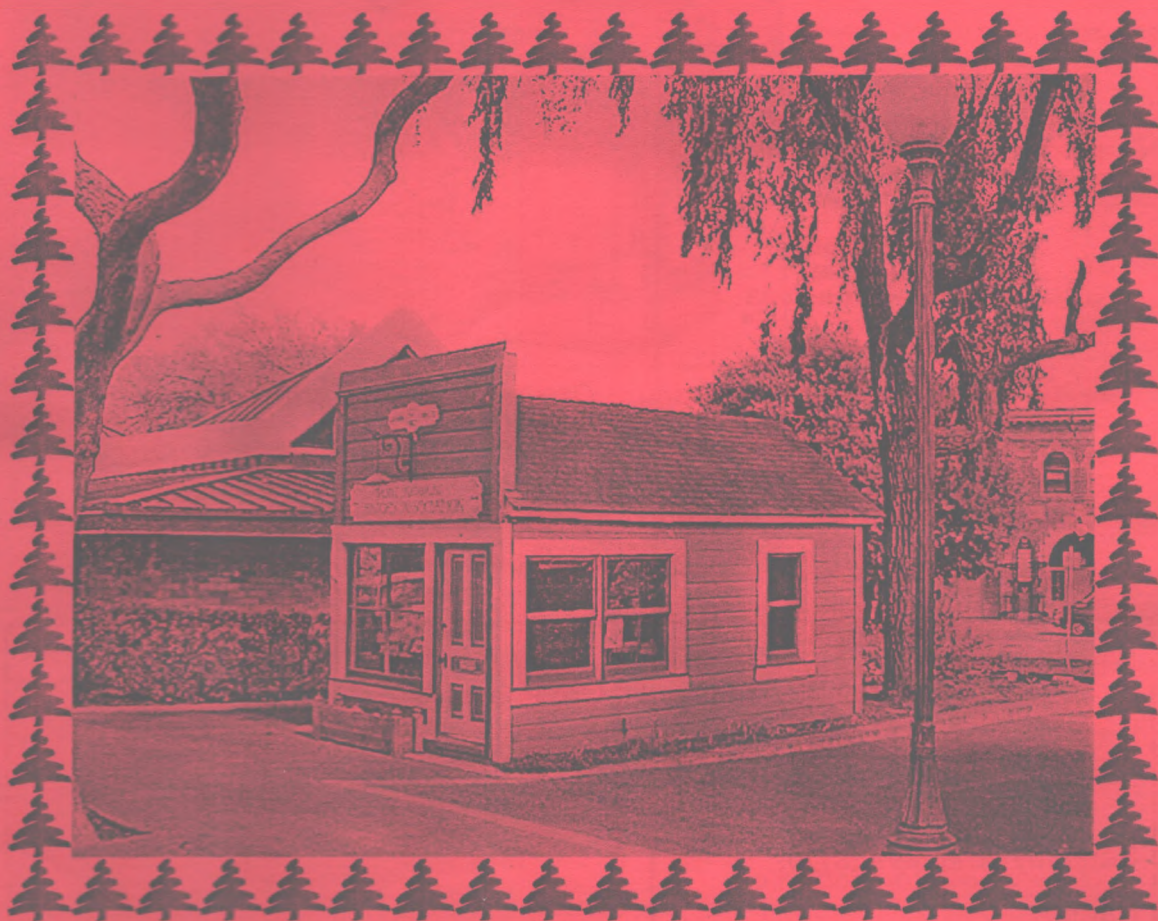
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Happy Holidays!

'Tis the Season!



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From the President

By Mid Dornan

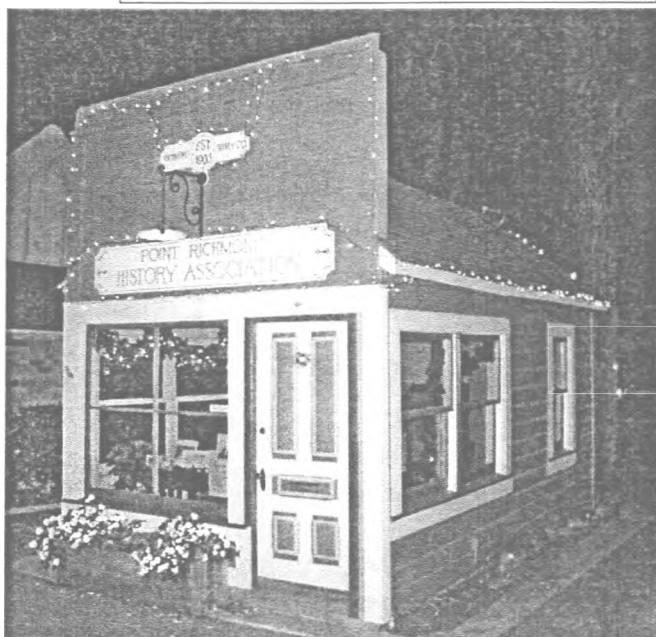
Holidays are a time to enjoy the festive season and celebrations. Of all the gifts that nature and man can bestow, few are as treasured as the gift of friendship. In this holiday season, we--the staff of *This Point...in time* --express our thanks for your continued support and cooperation to keep our association alive. It makes our task a pleasant one. We look forward to the coming year and wish you a year which will be one of peace and goodwill.

If you are perplexed on gift giving, consider a membership in the Point Richmond History Association. It keeps on giving six times during the year. Plus, every time the member re-reads the newsletter, *This Point...in time*, they will think of you. We also have the timeless History Building ornament as well as some books available for giving. Enjoy!

Our little museum all decked out for the holidays. Thanks to all for making it look quite beautiful!

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And a warm welcome to the following new members:

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 Family
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THANK YOU!
SANTA FE MARKET
 AND
POINT RICHMOND MARKET
FOR SELLING
"THIS POINT.....IN TIME" FOR US.

Thanks to the Volunteers who open and close our history museum on Thursday and Saturday:

Betty Dornan (Director)
 Ann Bartram
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Museum Hours:

Thursday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm
Saturday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

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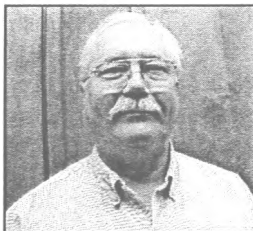
Hello to all. Here is your holiday issue of TPIT. I think it is a pretty good one. As usual thanks to all the contributors, I put it together but you guys are TPIT. I have been working on updating our website, am taking the time to add some more issues of TPIT and will be working on a gallery of pictures. I hope to have stuff to look at before the next issue.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year. See you in 2003!

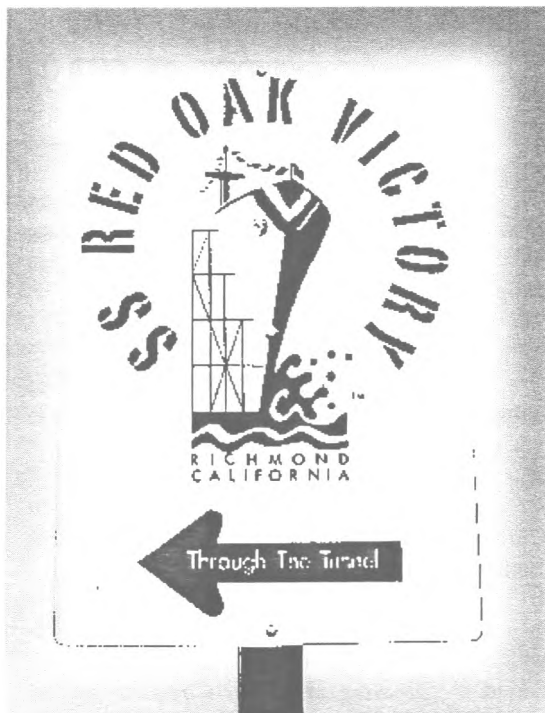
The deadline for the February/March issue is January 17, 2003.

The November issue assembly crew was:

Jerry Cerkanowicz
Gary Shows
Mid Dornan
Mary Highfill
Pam Wilson
Bruce Bartram
Ann Bartram
Sonja Darling
Betty Dornan
Bonnie Jo Cullison



The Cover: A picture that I took of our little museum building. Every once in a while you take a digital picture that you feel is really good. This is one of those for me.



There are new signs about town pointing directions to the Red Oak Victory Ship

Potpourri from Allan Smith

- William Bill Ellis owned the first saloon in Point Richmond, it was named "The Topeka".
- On September 21, 1901, Standard Oil Company of California bought 117 acres of land in Point Richmond.
- In 1891, the manager of the Martinez baseball team was Mr. Real Sharpe.

A-Mid TRIVIA

Mid Dornan (510-234-5334)

Question: We see Christmas decorations going up the same time as Halloween streamers. When do most Americans do their Christmas shopping?

Answer: at the end of Trivia.

It never fails, no matter the number of names on your Christmas card list, the first one you get is from someone you missed.

Frustration: Being unable to find those Christmas cards you bought at half price last January.

The Norm and Jean Reynolds household is so busy even dust can't find time to settle! Son David is appearing in *Splash Circus* doing his juggling and Mime Acts while sister Bethany, Maybeck High senior in Berkeley, has the lead in the play, *Major Barbara*. Add this to their Saturday Angel Choir practices school work and Sunday School attendance. That doesn't tell all the other commitments of Mom, Jean!

Annie's Cafe has moved and is now called "25 West" and is now open for business. The name is a convenient way to locate the cafe as it

is at 25 West Richmond Avenue! Stop by for breakfast or lunch!

Local merchants please note: Hydrangea has her shop looking like a Christmas fairyland for the holiday season. My dream is the one Bob Peckham initiated hoping ALL the merchants on the square would outline their buildings in tiny lights during the holiday season.

Former Esmeralda Court resident, Sybil Jenkins, now of Napa, was honored on her 90th birthday on November 23rd. A dinner at the Napa Methodist Church was hosted by her sons, Carl Jenkins, Tucson, Arizona and Bill Jenkins, of Napa. Sybil was active in the Methodist Church and a big supporter of Boy Scout Troop 111 while living here.

January 16 is National Nothing Day in honor of its founder, newspaperman Harold Pullman Coffin. He declared its purpose, 'to provide Americans with one national day when they can just sit without celebrating, observing or honoring anything.'

The Third Monday in January is "Clean-Off-Your-Desk-Day, a day to clean down to the desk top and get a fresh start for the new year. (For some, it might be easier to buy a new desk than to clean off the old one!)

GOOD NEWS for those, who for 48 years, enjoyed Sundar Shadi's elaborate Christmas display in his steep hillside yard on the Arlington. To view the papier mache-and-plaster sheep, shepherds, sheep dogs, angels, wisemen and camels making their way to Bethlehem with twinkling lights and music was



a tradition for generations in the Bay Area. Shadi, born in India, was unable to do it anymore and retired it in 1996. He died at age 101 in March. Not wanting the tradition to die, former El Cerrito mayor, Jane Bartke, members and residents of the El Cerrito Community Foundation and the Soroptomist Club have been working to restore and display the sculptures again. The figures will go up, as usual, two weeks before Christmas and will come down the day after. The true spirit of Christmas!

The Oxford English Dictionary has added 3500 new words and phrases which include Yada yada (likewise), road rage, sticker shock, goof-proof and D'oh. Words mean what they do because of how they are currently used, not how they were used 500 years ago.

Former State Assemblyman and Speaker of the House, John Knox, was guest speaker at the Point Business Association and told of the many changes in the Point since the Business Association beginning. Even though women were members in the early '60's, it was known as the Point Businessmen's Association.

The best vitamin for developing friends is B1.

A belated Happy Birthday to Phyllis Barusch who celebrated her 80th milestone in November. Her two sons arrived from Washington D.C. and Salt Lake City to make the event special.

Welcome back Councilman Tom Butt and wife Shirley who were with the city delegation for the unofficial biannual trip to Richmond's sister city, Zhoushou, China. Enroute they also visited and were greeted in Suzhou, home town of Lucy Shen, owner of Suzhou Restaurant in Point Richmond.

Apologies to Julio Carrera in Sacramento for misspelling his last name in the November issue! It is assumed he has recuperated from his summer surgery as he was seen at the November Veterans

Day Dinner-Dance by the Red Oak Victory Ship with Patricia Pearson.

Sonja Darling flew to North Dakota to attend the funeral of an Aunt and to visit with her mother and family.

Birdwatcher Jerry Daniels at Brickyard Cove has impressive bird slides and can discuss Birding guides, good places to bird and birds around our homes in the Point Richmond area. A suggestion Jerry: With Theresa doing the photography, how about publishing a bird book of only POINT RICHMOND AREA BIRDS?

Eighty years (80) seems to be a popular age number this year as Fay Hawkins celebrated 'his' day with dinner with his family.

Joe Darling is recuperating at home after cancer surgery on his right thumb.

Home for the Thanksgiving holiday was Ingvar Elle who came from Georgia to join his Dad, Jack, and siblings Roger, Ivar, Roxanne and Karilu plus their families for the turkey. Jack was wearing a big smile at church on Sunday as Invar reminisced with his many friends there. Ingvar is employed at the University of Georgia.

Are you ready for 'slices' of peanut butter for your sandwiches? It's here! Simply remove the cellophane and slap a slice onto bread, wrap



around fruit or eat slice by slice, like a cheese slice. Peanut butter slices are found in the dairy case or the peanut-butter aisle of your grocery store.

A small boy's letter:

Dear Santa: Please send me a dog, one that's full of dog. The one I got last year was full of sawdust.

Answer: Although American merchants put ever-increasing efforts into tempting shoppers, it appears that the procrastinators prevail. U.S. Commerce Department shopping surveys reveal that the average American holiday shopper purchases three out of every four gifts during the five shopping days immediately prior to Christmas day.

WISHING YOU AND EVERYONE A
PEACEFUL HOLIDAY SEASON!

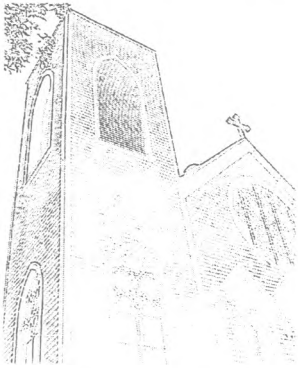


Songs of the Century

A new project has chosen 365 "Songs of the Century", an effort to help school kids better understand American music and culture. The Recording Industry of America compiled the list. Here are the top 20:

1. *Over the Rainbow*, Judy Garland
2. *White Christmas*, Bing Crosby
3. *This Land is Your Land*, Woody Guthrie
4. *Respect*, Aretha Franklin
5. *American Pie*, Don McLean
6. *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy*, The Andrews Sisters
7. *West Side Story*, Original Cast
8. *Take Me Out to the Ball Game*, Billy Murray
9. *You've Lost That Lovin Feelin*, The Righteous Brothers
10. *The Entertainer*, Scott Joplin
11. *In the Mood*, Glenn Miller Orchestra
12. *Rock Around the Clock*, Bill Haley & the Comets
13. *When the Saints Go Marching In*, Louis Armstrong
14. *You Are My Sunshine*, Jimmie Davis
15. *Mack the Knife*, Bobby Darin
16. *Satisfaction*, The Rolling Stones
17. *Take the 'A' Train*, Duke Ellington Orchestra
18. *Blueberry Hill*, Fats Domino
19. *God Bless America*, Kate Smith
20. *Stars and Stripes Forever*, Phillip Sousa Band

Church News



Our Lady of Mercy Church

By Dee Rosier
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Despite the constant raking of leaves, Autumn is awesome. On my recent trips to our Calistoga home, the colors are vibrant and the trip becomes a prize to the eye. Although Mother Nature did throw us a curve recently with a dynamic rainstorm that hit Pt. Richmond and was recorded on the national CNN news.

We are a small Christian community and feel the loss when a priceless parishioner leaves. Amelia Drake is a Pt. Richmond kid and devoted innumerable volunteer hours to the Parish. Amelia made the decision to move into a residence for seniors. To thank her for her constant care of us, we gifted her with a copy of our Centennial book, church ornament, and orchid plant. The gifts were delivered by Brenda McKinley, Chano Forner and myself. She was extremely appreciative of the kind act and it would be difficult to say who enjoyed the visit more. Amelia you are a grand lady and

Our Lady of Mercy will always hold a special place in its heart for you.

Another of our sheep has left the flock. Eloise Bussio has moved to Southern California to be closer to her daughter. Eloise was not here very long, but made her presence felt. She quickly became Fr. Lima's chef, counted the Sunday donations, attended daily Mass and was always willing to lend a hand. We will miss her dynamic smile and wish her happiness as she moves on.

Father Paul Devine spoke at Mass recently on his association with the Apostolate of the Sea. He is assigned to the Port of Oakland and spoke of his duties. The Port has become a full time job which leaves a void for the Port of Richmond. His plea was for volunteers to the Port of Richmond as well as the Long Wharf. He will hold classes for volunteers to be Eucharistic Ministers and visit the seamen. He also requested the donation of magazines, because once they leave a Port reading is the main form of entertainment. You may take your magazines to either Dean or Alan Smith, who were both prompt to volunteer.

There was a glitch in the assignment of election officers this year and you may have noticed that the faces you are familiar with were not in their usual polling places. Dolores Hamamoto and I are generally at Washington School. This year Dolores was assigned to Atchison Village and I was at the Methodist Church. The plus of being at the Methodist Church is that it is Bob Peckham's polling place. He arrived laden with French bread, brie and fruit. Thank you Bob, Marie and the Santa Fe Market for your continued generosity and thoughtfulness.

The Parish Council held its monthly meeting. Members of the Finance Committee are Steve Shaffer, Nancy Toledo, Ann Brussock, Vince Kafka and Dean Smith. The stove is still not up to code and Dean Smith is looking into having a hood made for it. Bars were installed on a window in the church hall which had previously been broken. A local architect plans to build adjacent to the church parking lot and has questioned boundary lines. Signs that signified that the lot was private were removed. Steve Shaffer will pursue the matter. The lot was donated to the church by Josephine Palancher's father. The Spiritual Life Committee will be chaired by Steve Shaffer with the assistance of Rob Phillips and myself. After expenses, the BBQ netted a profit of \$6,949.91.

At the meeting, Fr. Lima announced his retirement at the end of this year. He made the announcement to the Parish at Mass on November 22. At this writing, I cannot offer any additional information regarding the future of our Parish.

Mary Martinez spent two weeks in Italy visiting her daughter, Raquel, who is in the U.S. Navy and stationed in Milan.

Judy Kafka was in Ghana with a Rotary group administering the polio vaccine and vitamin A. Vitamin A was given to them due to the lack of it in their diet.

Recent visitors at the home of my Grandson, Griffin, were his other Grandmother, Peggy, from Pennsylvania, Aunt Joannie, from Ohio, and Aunt Kate, from Florida. They enjoyed many of the Bay Area sites and acquainting themselves with Griffin.

Condolences to Dennis Amantite and family in the recent death of his brother, Richard Amantite.

Condolences to Javier Lopez in the unexpected death of his Father in Chicago.

Remember in your prayers Mary Shieler who recently underwent surgery, as well as others who are unable to attend Mass regularly, i.e., Benny Garcia, Phyllis Feyder, Ruth Beardsley and those that I may have forgotten.

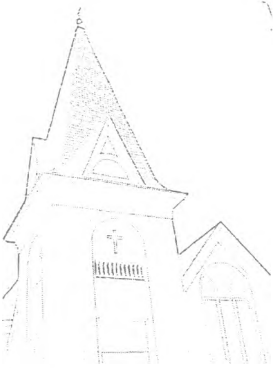
Brenda McKinley will be spending the holidays (a month of them) in New Zealand as the guest of Judy Forbes.

Remember to check the schedule to see when you are "working for God." Don't forget that it is your responsibility to find an alternate when you plan to be away.

Another feather in Stanley Toledo's cap for the fine article in the West County Times on our Centennial Book. Books are available at the entrance of church (\$10) or by calling the Rectory. I have received many inquiries on their purchase. Look for it to be on the Best Seller List!

The holidays are again upon us. Let us remember to give thanks for what we have and not what we want. Don't lose sight of the meaning of the season. Happy holidays to you and yours.

GOD GAVE US TWO EARS AND ONE MOUTH, SO WE SHOULD BE LISTENING TWICE AS MUCH AS WE TALK.



POINT RICHMOND METHODIST CHURCH

by Jean Reynolds

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The biggest news at Point Methodist is that we voted to change our pastor to a full time position. The pastor's job has been only half time at our church for several decades. (Even though the pastor seldom takes a Sunday off!) For the last two years, we have had Pastor Dan at three-quarter time. In 2003, he will be full time, and will have more financial freedom to minister during the week. The strong support our congregation has in this community has kept it going all these one-hundred-some years. We hope that by our commitment to fund a full time pastor, we will be able to serve the community more fully, too.

Pastor Dan celebrated the release of his new solo piano CD with a party at the Baltic Restaurant on November 19. The CD features

popular songs from the 1940's: "Sleepy Time Down South". You may order copies on-line at www.damonstuneshop.com, or hear him in person Tuesday nights at the Baltic or Sunday mornings during the 11:00 service.

The Community Thanksgiving Dinner was a place to celebrate as an extended neighborhood family. Some feasters started the celebration with the annual Turkey Shoot and Peace March in downtown Point Richmond, following behind Tom Butt's goat herd. We remembered and shared what we are thankful for this year at an ecumenical worship service before the feast. Several people came to help serve, greet, and clean up. We always appreciate that people sign up ahead of time to work, but the ones who just show up and volunteer on the spot give the day some of its magic! Chuck Wise and his crew at the Baltic Restaurant prepared turkey and all the important dinner trimmings. Other Point Richmond businesses that contributed to the dinner were Hydrangea Flowers, The Santa Fe Market, Point Richmond Market, The Spot,



Prego's Pizza, Hotel Mac, Little Louie's, Starbucks Coffee, and Hidden City Café.

Church members and friends contribute time and talent to make the day special: Fay Hawkins led the potato peeling party on Tuesday morning. Fay and Ron Martinez cleaned all of the green beans on Wednesday; and Ron helped with the cooking at the Baltic on Thursday morning. Claudia LeGué, Juanita Hoffman, and Fran Smith were key planners and doers. Pat Cefalu helped serve and then went home to cook Thanksgiving dinner at her house! It was a satisfying day in more than one way.

The Joyful Noise Choir sang at the Tree Lighting service on Saturday, November 30, in Indian Statue Park. Point Richmond Association of Mothers (PRAM) organized some activities for the kids and refreshments for all at the Community Center following the tree-lighting. Santa was there, jolly as ever, with candy for those who have been good.

Coming up on the Calendar:

December 8, Sunday, 5:00 p.m.: **Lessons and Carols** concert featuring the Joyful Noise Choir, the Angel Choir and Pastor Dan Damon. Free will offering.

December 19, Thursday, Helen Valentine's home: United Methodist Women Christmas Potluck and gift gathering for the Bay Area Rescue Mission.

Monday, December 24, 7:00 p.m.: **Jazz Christmas Eve.** Come early to get a good seat for this much-loved holiday tradition that includes carols, scripture, stories, and **The Dan Damon Trio.**

The church has its own web site! Visit the church web site for information, photos and updates at: <http://www.pointrichmond.com/methodist/home.htm>

Point Methodist Church History

-Mid Dornan

Church history is rich with contributions of women. One church group in the 1920's was the SOCIAL LEAGUE of the first Methodist Episcopal Church whose history is reflected in their minutes printed below and taken from the canvas covered, red leather cornered notebook which cost \$1.15. The minutes are printed as written This is the 59th installment.

Jan 18, 1927

Social League was called to order for a short meeting after all had enjoyed the New Year's Jinks. Mrs. Holbrook presiding. 22 members present. Bill from Mrs. Gnaga for thread amounting to \$3.02. Bill for Mrs. Scofield for cake \$2.65. Moved and carried this bill and all others for the luncheon be paid as presented.

Further discussion as to raising money for an organ fund. Motion made that we start a birthday box. Motion carried. Mrs. Holbrook urged that all members work up suggestions to increase the organ fund. Rev. Grant reported very ill. The league to send him flowers. Mrs. Osborne and Mrs. Scofield to be the next hostesses. The meeting to be held at Mrs. Scofield's home. Mrs. Burdick, Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. Scofield on the entertainment committee for the next meeting.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Jones and her committee for the wonderful luncheon and entertainment.

Mrs. Jones respond (sic) by remark that the meetings could be made lively and more enjoyable by just a little work and a few simple ideas. Dues from

Mrs. E. Jenkins	.60¢
Received from fancy work	.75¢
Plate collection	\$2.75
Total	\$4.10
Previous bal	31.78
Bills voted paid	5.67
Bill for luncheon supplies	11.59
Cleaning up has been paid	1.50
Balance	\$17.12
Rose Dingle, Sec	

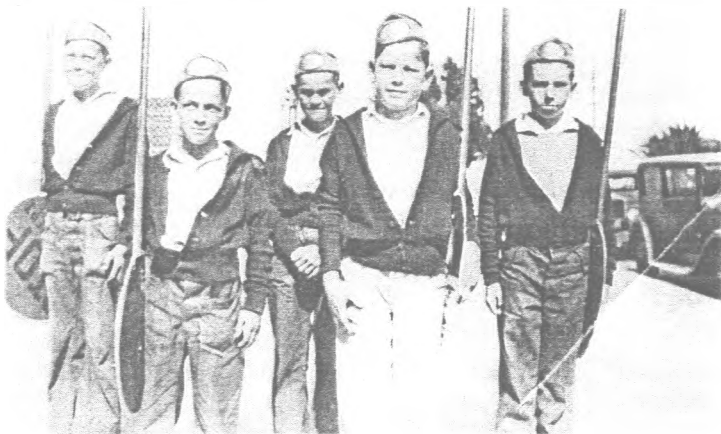
Politics in Point Richmond

Taken from "Talk of the Point" (talkofthepoint.com) on the last election:

We're liberal and we drive

No surprise here. On November 5, the Point voted with San Francisco for governor and other state officers. We voted with the rest of Contra Costa voters when it came to BART and AC Transit taxes: against them.

	Point Richmond	County	State	S.F.
Governor (973 votes)				
Davis	64%	53%	47%	66%
Simon	15%	36%	42%	15%
Camejo	17%	6%	5%	16%
Lt. Governor (973 votes)				
Bustamonte	66%	54%	50%	66%
McPherson	16%	38%	42%	16%
BART Tax (596 votes)				
yes	61%	54%		
no	39%	46%		
AC Transit Tax (592 votes)				
yes	61%	66%		
no	39%	34%		



POINT BOYS

Photo thanks to Donna Bill Hood and Pat Pearson

Who can name these guys?

Local Newspaper Clippings, Richmond - 1913 - 1932

I have this ring-binder that is full of yellowed original clippings from old newspapers. The hand inscribed front cover says "Local Newspaper Clippings-Richmond - 1913-1932". It has a documenting problem as that most of the clipped articles do not give credit to the source, most however seem to be from the "Richmond Herald-Record". I do not know who put it together. Allan Smith thinks it's the work of Don Church, he is probably correct. They are, however old, hand dated and interesting reading, spelling errors are not corrected here is installment #10. Gary Shows

M. HANCOCK IS PLAINTIFF IN \$1500 DAMAGE SUET VS. CITY (Special to the Record-Herald) July 7, 1917

Martinez, July 7. M.A. Hancock, Richmond surveyor, filed suit against the City of Richmond today for \$1500 damages alleged to have been sustained by his property from grading work on Scenic avenue.

This is the second suit against the city for work on this street, the first one filed two weeks ago by Paul Dunlap for \$12200 damages as the result of alleged damages to his residence.

AGED WOMAN IS REPORTED DANGEROUSLY NEAR DEATH December 28, 1918

Word is received from the bedside of

Mrs. A. Odell the mother of Judge C.A. Odell late this afternoon of the precarious condition of that lady and the family has been advised by the attending physician to prepare for any eventuality. She was stricken by influenza ten days or more ago and has been gradually sinking for the past two or three days. The family resides at 224 Santa Fe avenue, on the West Side.

Mrs. Odell came to Richmond before there was a town here and has been, along with her husband, one of the leading factors in church and social work and always for the best interests to the greatest number. Her hundreds of friends in Richmond fervently hope that she may regain her health.

NEW LAW FOR AUTOMOBILISTS GOES INTO EFFECT ON JULY 22 June 18, 1919

Salient points of the new auto law are as follows:

"Jay Walkers" (persons who cross the streets between blocks) will be prosecuted.

When cars are sold there will be no refund of State License money. The buyer and seller must adjust that between themselves.

Plates must be changed annually, but when a number is once affixed to a car it cannot be changed. The registration year begins February 1 of each year instead of January 1.

No machine can be wrecked or dismantled without notifying the police, or in the county, the sheriff.

The glare must come out of the headlights. This is to be done by requiring manufacturers to put their headlights through an official test.

Men under the influence of liquor or drugs, who drive machines, are liable to from six months to one year in jail, and from \$50 to \$1,000 fine.

If a driver of an automobile or truck cannot see to the rear, he must have a mirror in front which will enable him to do so.

"Joy riders" who "borrow" machines will be liable to from one to five years in the penitentiary.

On a clear road the maximum speed for motors is thirty-five miles an hour.

The new law will go into effect July 22 of this year.

STOVE EXPLODES IN POOL ROOM, NO DAMAGE December 24, ?

An exploding oil stove in the Yosemite pool room, at 45 Washington avenue, called the members of Fire Company No. 1 out this afternoon, with the result that the blaze was extinguished before much damage was done.

The first that was known of the fire was when Dave Hovitz, proprietor of the pool room, while waiting on several customers in the cigar store at the front of the place noticed smoke issuing from the doorway. Rushing in he grabbed the oil stove and threw it out into the back yard. Had it not been for the prompt action taken by Hovitz it is probable that the entire block from Standard to Cottage avenue, would have been wiped out by the fire as all the building are of frame construction.

BEN BRIGNONE BRANCHING OUT April 9, 1914

Ben Brignone, proprietor of the Hotel Colombo, on the west side, is extending his business and has purchased the Walborg hotel and the Franklin house, both located on the west side.

Mr. Brignone expects to handle a large part of the rooming house trade of the city. He is a pioneer hotel man of Richmond and will undoubtedly make a success of his new venture.

EARLY BLAZE MENACES POINT July 26, 1922

A fire that originated in the lavatory on the second floor of a three story frame building at 146 Washington avenue, discovered at 1:15 this morning, periled the lives of the Bottrom family, but a neighbor detected the fire, turned in the alarm, and the fire, department by Fire Chief Lemoine soon had the fire out.

The loss is estimated at \$150.

But for quick and effective action, Chief Lemoine told the Record-herald that the entire block from Richmond to Cottage avenue probably would have gone up in flames.

The building is occupied by Bottrom, his wife and several children.

R. McWHORTER RETIRES FROM BUSINESS. July 15, 1922

Besidents on the West Side will regret to hear that B. McWhorter, pioneer groceryman of the West Side, has announced his retirement from business. Mr. McWhorter has been suffering with rheumatism for a number of years and has been advised by his physicians that a change was necessary. A Berkeley concern has already bought the store fixtures and the stock will be disposed of as quickly as possible.

Mr. McWhorter has been in the grocery business on the West Side for the past 20 years and his policy of fair and square treatment has built for him a thriving business, as well as made him countless friends.

Allan's Point

By Allan Smith

I have asked many times if any of our readers remember a Point Richmond weekly newspaper called the "Point Richmond Progress"? I ask them to search in their old trunks or at the bottom of a clothes dresser.....but to no avail. Finally, I came us with something that our editor, Gary Shows, will print more of in the future. I must warn that I think we might be opening a "can of worms" because Point Richmond has many mysteries that have not been solved and the "Point Richmond Progress" is one of them. I knew the editor, Harry R. Burt, of the paper as well as his son Harry, Jr. Harry Jr. used to be my catcher when I was practicing baseball pitching on a baseball diamond we called the "Rocks". It was located on Oregon and East Richmond Avenues. June Kunkle, Point native, mentioned the "Rocks" in one of her letters to the editor. Harry R. Burt, Editor, was a robust individual, very friendly and a kind and loving man. But, you couldn't say that of his journalistic contributions as they were quite different. Burt had two offices in the Point and the last one used is still standing. It is located on lower West Richmond Avenue and used to be the offices of Jerry Feagly, Realtor, and Dierdre Cerkanowicz's antique business.

Harry R. Burt attended Notre Dame University in Indiana before coming to California. He had a great educated baritone voice that we shared in the Our Lady of Mercy Church Choir during special Catholic services, such as Easter and Christmas. Our director, Jenny (Stark) Lanning wasn't too happy when she heard Harry was coming up the choir stairs to participate as he never attended practice sessions, and he may have stopped at the Hotel Mac previously.

More on the "Point Richmond Progress" in later issues. Be sure to look for the items when Harry R. Burt takes on the local politicians and Fred Parr. Oh, Harry was a staunch Democrat!

A noted jazz musician becomes the city of Oakland's 100th homicide in 2002. Taswell Baird, Jr. was the victim and he died of injuries suffered in a robbery. We was in a wheel chair when attacked. Taswell Baird was a distinguished jazz trombonist who played with Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald, Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie. We are all familiar with these musicians as they were prominent in our time, and they can still be heard on jazz recordings.

After reading the Sunday CC Times, whose "Talented Teens" where honored in the annual West County writing competition, I am hesitant to offer more articles to TPIT Newsletter. This contest was sponsored by the Pinole Library and the Times. Be sure and read these contributions in the Sunday Times. One of the winners was Joseph Egoian, 13, of El Cerrito. I wonder if he is related to an Egoian that ran the Spot Liquor Store in the Point, and also operated a rest home at the old Cottage Hospital in Richmond? Anyway, first place went to Dominic Beard, 13, Richmond, 8th grade, St. David's School in Richmond. The name Beard is familiar to me as from an old Richmond family.

I went to the Point Library and asked Lynn, our Librarian, "Where is the self-help section?". She said if should told me it would defeat the purpose! Seriously, check out our Point Library, as it is a very friendly place to spend an hour or so. All the people there are very helpful even though they charge for overdue books. Don't expect the atmosphere to be like it was 75 years ago when Mrs. Hodges, our beloved Librarian, insisted on "quiet time". The Point Library has oral history books taken from personal interviews with Point Richmond natives.

Henry O'Hara, J.A. Vincent, Alan Clarke, and Tubby Snodgrass all contributed to early Point

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Allan supplied these newspaper graphics.

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Harry R. Burt, Publisher

New Paper Will Feature
Personal News

Richmond history. Johnny B O'Disio died on October 23, 2002. He was a Richmond native who had many friends in the Point especially football players. He graduated with me from Richmond Union High School. Johnny played football at high school and he was the fullback on the team and he received several honors for his ability. After high school, Johnny attended and graduated from St. Mary's College in Moraga and played football there when Norman Strader was the coach. I don't know if O'Disio played under the legendary coach Slip Madigan. John B. O'Ddisio was in the Army Air Corps for 44 months and was a B-25 pilot during World War Two. His son, Andy, went to St. Mary's High School and played football and baseball. Our two sons, Allan, Jr. and Bryan were at the high school, Johnny and I would be together, sometimes reminiscing too much. Did Johnny O'Disio play football for the San Francisco 49er's? I think so as I remember talking to John about the 49er coach, Norman Strader and Frankie Albert, the quarterback.

Any of you Point Richmond natives remember "Googles"? He was the beloved German Shepherd that belonged to Fireman "Bill"

of the Richmond Fire Department. A great show dog that could climb ladders and made us forget about Rin-Tin-Tin.

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WHERE WE STAND

Any newspaper that pretends to have an editorial policy must stand unequivocally on its position on vital issues as created. For this reason we set forth herewith, and will continue to carry at our mast-head until the battle is won, our platform, briefly stated as follows:

The PROGRESS stands for:

1. Abolishing city council "stag chamber" sessions.
2. Modification or amendment of the City Charter.
3. Amendment of our present 1908 City Charter.

As we see it today the present status, and future possibilities, of these measures is as follows:

1. "STAR CHAMBER" SESSIONS. Some people say: "Why bother about the closed meetings of our council, even if it does seem as if they slam the door in the face of the people who elected them? After all, it may be only to expedite procedure and get the work done." To which, we reply: Let American People's business be transacted in an American way—in the open! What if it does take an hour or two longer to get it done? The regular meetings of the council are only once a week. Appropriation of this factor the writer was once told by one of our councilmen that "the people wouldn't understand certain things." Well, we know enough to elect them, or defeat them, or recall them, if that is the case!

2. THE PARK LEASE. Some say: "The Lease is made for fifty years, and that's that. If any of us are living in 1976 we can see it expire then, but we can't do anything about it now." And we say: This is exactly what the "powers that be" want you to think about it, but how anyone can read that lease dispassionately and be so docile is beyond our comprehension. We plead guilty to the fact that our knowledge of the lease has come from reading it

Sports Memories

By Allan Smith

Now that the baseball season is over and will not start again until spring training in February of 2003, we can concentrate on football and basketball. Soccer and hockey are not for me.

The late Don Barksdale, former Berkeley resident, was a star basketball player. He had a lot of firsts in his career. He was the first African-American selected to the NCAA All-American team, the first black person to compete in the U.S. Olympic basketball team, and the first to play in the NBA All Star Game. The dates were 1947-1948 and 1953 respectively. Where can I get the documentary of "Bounce, the Don Barksdale Story"? A question for Gary, our editor; How much money did the World Series winners receive for being the champions of the world? As if the baseball player millionaires needed it! I never did see the report. In 1927, Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig were in Oakland with the major league players en route to Japan. They played against the Oakland Oaks baseball team.

The son of the late Loyd Christopher passed away recently. Of course we all remember Loyd as being one of the great professional baseball players from Point Richmond. His son was also named Loyd. I used to call him Loyd, Jr. Loyd, Jr. could also play baseball and he had a chance to play professionally as he was that good. I don't remember too much about his baseball career. The last time I talked to him was when I asked him for some of the memoirs of his dad's baseball career, and also of his uncle, Russ, who played in the big leagues and a World Series. Our editor had a

picture of Loyd's father on the cover of one of "This Point.....in time" Newsletters several years ago. It was from a baseball card.

Loyd, Jr. worked for the El Cerrito Fire Department for many years. He lived in the last house on East Richmond Avenue in the home that once belonged to the Point native Micheal Corr family. Speaking of the Corr family, I gave TPIT editor a clipping from the 1933 issue of the "Point Richmond Progress". It reported that a "Point Richmond Boy Becomes Mayor of Richmond for a Day". The youth selected was Christopher Corr. He was to learn the duties of municipal officers as a part of the Boy's Week Activities. Chris, as we called him, will occupy the office of Boy Mayor of Richmond. I wonder why there isn't a program like that anymore in Richmond? The present trend of doing things is not to consider what has happened in the past.

Christopher had a brother named Gene. He became the first Athletic Director and baseball coach for the Contra Costa Junior College whose first campus was at the old shipyards in Richmond. Their sister was Marie whom we haven't seen for a long time. The pretty Marie and I used to help Gene in his base sliding practices. We would try to get him out sliding in to base. This was done on the mud flats known as Frog Town. Corr played baseball for the University of California at Berkeley.

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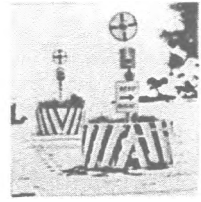


Rob Marian, local Point real estate mogul, and owner of Kozy Kove has agreed to open Kozy

Kove to native Point Richmonders if they so desire. That certainly would bring back fond memories for me. Rob Marian has donated a large photo of early Kozy Kove days and area to the PRHA. As of yet, it has not been framed.

Wig Wag Update

*Taken from the Neighborhood Council's Goings On
About Town*



The PRNC and the Community have virtually unanimously supported preservation of the historic wig-wags in operation as the only warning devices at the railroad crossing at Richmond Avenue. An application was filed by the City with the Public Utilities Commission to preserve the wig-wags at their location and block the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Corporation from removing the wig-wags and installing drop gates and overhead cantilevered light structures. David Dolberg reported on a mediation session he attended which included various representatives of interested parties. The intent of the session was to explore a resolution of the situation in advance of the scheduled hearing on the application before an administrative law judge.

At the mediation, a PUC staff member stated that drop gates are not an absolute requirement for a railroad crossing upgrade. A possible alternative is to require that trains actually stop before the crossing, then proceed across; but, that would require installation of "cross-bucks" and flashing lights, and also modifications of the streets at the intersection to eliminate, for example, a portion of Cutting Boulevard so that vehicular traffic heading west on Cutting would turn left on Garrard, then right on Richmond Avenue, crossing the tracks at a ninety-degree angle on Richmond Avenue.

BNSF, however, doesn't like stop signs for its trains. What it proposes as a compromise is to

install two short drop gates instead of three longer ones and to eliminate the cantilevered overhead light structures.

David stated that another possible alternative is to make the change in the modifications in the streets at the intersection, go along with the drop gates with no overhead structures, but negotiate with BNSF to have them pay for the street modification and give up or sell the triangle of land between Garrard Boulevard and the railroad tracks for community development.

David said it presently appears the only way PUC staff and BNSF will agree to allow the wig-wags to remain is if they can be inactivated for railroad operations, since PUC regulations won't allow them to operate in addition to other devices. In the scenarios discussed, the wig-wags would be allowed to remain in place, and could possibly be operated on some special occasions.

David requested the Council give an expression of its preference of the alternatives discussed at the mediation session, as stated above. By a show of hands, the members present indicated their preference, by a three to one margin, of the alternative of modifying the streets, having drop gates with no overhead structures, acquiring the triangle of land, and preserving the wig-wags in place.

There will be additional discussions among the parties before the next PRNC meeting.

Let's remember BNSF and their lack of support.

When they make excessive and unnecessary noise at night.....complain!

WWIC Activities

Alyce Williamson

OCTOBER

The WWIC met on October 1, 2002 at the Point Richmond Methodist Church. The theme of the day was "Halloween".

We set aside \$500 for donations, to donate \$200 to the Washington School Many Hands Project and \$200 to the Point Richmond History Association supporting their plaques on historical buildings project. The remaining \$100 will be decided at a later date.

As for our Christmas Luncheon, we need to decide if we wish to go out for lunch by the November meeting. A pot luck was suggested because we can visit more freely. Altha Humphries will talk to the two caterers where she live and report back. Anita Christiansen will speak with the Baltic and Annie's.

Guests of our September meeting Wendy Nelson and Melody Hastings became members bringing our new members to 13.

NOVEMBER

The WWIC met on November 12, 2002 at the Point Richmond Methodist Church with twenty three members present. The tables and room were beautifully decorated in Thanksgiving theme.

After lunch we enjoyed a program by Jerry Daniels of Point Richmond on bird watching. He gave a slide presentation and talk on ways of identifying birds that we see in the Point Richmond Area. It is truly amazing the number of beautiful birds we have right here in our own backyard.

A short business meeting followed the program. We voted to have our Christmas Luncheon on December 3, 2002 at 1 pm at the Baltic. Members are welcome to bring guests.

The next business meeting will be on February 4, 2003.

May we each find much to be thankful for on Thanksgiving and Peace and Joy during the Holiday Season and the coming New Year!



An interesting website from
Ted Cuzzillo

"Talk of the Point"
www.talkofthepoint.com

A column of news and
opinion several times every
week, only on the web.

Check it out and keep current
with what's going on in Point
Richmond.

Red Oak Victory Gets Million Dollar Grant!

On Thursday, November 8, 2002, Joe Green, Richmond Library Director (also in charge of Museum Services) was notified by the Caltrans staff that the California Transportation Commission, at its November 8th meeting approved a recommendation to appropriate \$1,000,300 to the City of Richmond and the Richmond Museum of History to cover costs related to the restoration of the Red Oak Victory ship, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and, by an act of Congress, is part of the Rosie the Riveter World War II Homefront National Historical Park.

The funds are being made available to the City through the United States Department of Transportation's, Transportation Enhancement Grants program. In particular the grant is made as part of the TEA grant historic preservation component. This program is administered by

CalTrans with local assistance from the Municipal Transportation Commission.

In April 2001, the Richmond City Council approved a resolution authorizing the City to pursue these grant funds in partnership with the Richmond Museum Association. Special thanks go to Erle Brown from the Association for his tireless efforts in preparing the grant.

The funds should be available in the first quarter of 2003 and will be fully encumbered prior to the close of fiscal year 2002/2003. This is an exciting and surprising development.

This grant will help make the dreams of so many individuals committed to the Red Oak Victory's restoration as well as the continued development of the Rosie the Riveter World War II Homefront National Historical Park a reality. For more information about the Red Oak Victory, see <http://www.redoakvictory.org/>.

Chronological History of Brickyard Cove Development *History* from Muriel Clausen

1956 Opening of the Richmond San Rafael Bridge

1961 Richmond Yacht Club voted to buy 14 acres of land in Brickyard Cove. Bert Clausen was Commodore

1965 Richmond Yacht Club moves into new facility in Brickyard Cove.

1968 San Francisco Bay Plan adopted.

1975 East Bay Regional Park expansion

1982 Innesfree gives final development plan to City for Brickyard Landing

1983 Innesfree has final map approved for Brickyard Landing

1984 Road agreement with Brickyard Landing and Innesfree

1984 Middletown becomes Seacliff Estates

1988 Plans formulated to remove PG&E gasholder.

1989 Miller/Knox I 580 freeway opens

1990 PG&E tank comes down

2002 Sun Cal, formerly Seacliff Estates, forces road concessions on P.P.P. They propose building 149 units in apartments and a Marina just beyond Sun Cal. DeSilva Group proposed building 100 units

This is history, next issue will be chronology of the ownership. Interesting, thanks Muriel



Thanksgiving Day Brings Town, Goats Together in Bar

Wyatt Buchanan,

San Francisco Chronicle Staff Writer <mailto:chronfeedback@sfchronicle.com>

Friday, November 29, 2002

Thursday's Thanksgiving Day festivity in Point Richmond spoke for itself, sort of.

It was the Point Richmond Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot and March for Peace, where goats and dogs nearly outnumber people and turkeys don't die.

The community ritual begins at the Plunge natatorium and usually ends down the street -- at the Spot bar, where the turkey shoot part of the day is all about shots of Wild Turkey, rather than shots at wild turkeys.

"It's weird. And goofy. But it's fun," said Tom Butt, a Richmond city councilman who brought seven of his goats and several family members to Thursday's event.

This year, with war looming in Iraq, some Richmonders decided the turkey shoot part of the event needed another angle.

"We're all peaceful people and want to see peace continue in the world," said Shannon McGowan, who added the "and March for Peace" to the annual shoot and put up posters around town promoting both.

So out came the peace people and protest signs (the goats and dogs have been regulars for years). The town is small, and organizers considered changing the route to meander through town rather than going straight from the pool to the bar.

Instead of going inside the bar ("too many children and goats," one person said), the crowd of 65 gathered out front for a poetry reading from the town's poet laureate.

But Walt, the laureate whose last name no one could remember and who earned the title after showing up one year with a poem -- was out of town.

So Sandy Hulse, a Unitarian Universalist minister wearing a pilgrim woman's coif, read it instead:

"Here we are in two thousand and two/Marching for peace, drinking Wild Turkey brew/But we are even stronger and more resolute/Because this is the annual Turkey Shoot," went the opening stanza.

Above the bar, a man sang out the chorus from Country Joe McDonald's "I- Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-to-Die Rag" from a window. The crowd joined him.

But Vietnam had to wait for the high pitched calls of "gobble, gobble, gobble," chased with \$4 shots of bourbon.

On the other end of the counter, regular patrons grumbled about the turkeys on their corner.

No one remembers exactly when this Point Richmond event started, only that it grew out of a tradition by Hotel Mac employees whose boss showed his appreciation for work on the holiday with a jaunt across the street to the bar.

Townsfolk adopted the event, and the hotel workers don't join in anymore.

That didn't matter to Thursday's marchers, who took in the goats, dogs, peace signs and alcohol without blinking.

Thanks to the S.F. Chronicle and Tom Butt's E-Forum.

Cards and Letters

HI GARY:

Hope all is going well with you and the gang. RE: Request of Linda M Newton about house at 218 Washington Avenue. I believe she is talking about Dr. Lucas. Dr Lucas and his wife lived in this house, he had his practice downstairs. They had one son Russell Lucas. I don't know what happened to his son, he was about 8 or 10 years younger than I. Dr Lucas played football at Stanford, he was a quarterback.

The automobiles he bought were Franklins, they had air-cooled engines. It seems to me that Dr Nielson a dentist, shared the ground floor. The exterior was natural finish. Next door to the west, Mrs. Childs lived, she was a widow. She had two sons, Fred and Bert. They were about my age.

Bernie Bernes
bbernes@aol.com



Dear Pam:

Enclosed please find my check to renew our subscription to "This Point" newsletter. We enjoy the newsletter immensely.

I write to ask you to include my great-aunt Ethel Schumacher to your "Over 90 Club", Auntie turned 92 this past August 20th. Ethel was a long, long time resident of Point Richmond, arriving in the Point somewhere between 1915 and 1920. She resided in the Point until November 1998

when due to her health I brought her down to West Covina to live with me. She continued to live with my family until November 2000. Then her health dictated a need for more care and we moved her to a skilled nursing facility approximately 2 miles from our home.

I visit her daily, happily she is comfortable and well cared for. Her only desire is to return to the Point. Many of our visits are spent talking about the Point.

Although I only actually lived in the Point for brief periods, the Point has great sentimental meaning to me as well. My parents were married in Our Lady of Mercy and lived in the Point when I was born. I was baptized and in 1976 married by husband Danny in Our lady of Mercy. We returned to Our Lady of mercy to baptize the oldest of our three sons. So I look forward to purchasing a copy of the book Mr. Toledo wrote about our little church.

Sincerely,
Teri Meister
West Covina, CA



Deaths.....

RICHARD G. AMANTITE on November 2nd 2002 at his home in Glen Ellen, age 65. He was the son of Gregory and Kathleen Amantite. Rich grew up in the Point and often spent summers with his uncle, Art Glover, in Glen Ellen where he met, at age 13, Norma, who would later become his wife..Rich retired after 37 years from Chevron, beginning as a bowling pin-setter at the refinery's Rod and Gun club and retired as the Refinery's manager. He had been a member of the Coast Guard Reserve. Rich was an avid hunter and fisherman as well as a coach and manager for several Little Leagues. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Norma, brothers Gary and Denny Amantite; his sons Dino, Mario and Sylvio Amantite, cousin Don Amantite, and 7 grandchildren. Services were held at the Star Of the Valley Church in Santa Rosa in Oakmont.

RICHMOND **Profile of the** **City of Pride and Purpose**

Incorporated August 7, 1905
Largest city in
West Contra Costa County
16 miles northeast of
San Francisco
32 miles of shoreline
56 square miles: 33.7 land,
22.3 water

Population 101,076
31% White
36% African American
27% Hispanic (of any race)
12 % Asian
.6% American Indian and
Alaska Native
.5% Native Hawaiian and
Other Pacific Islander

36,099 Housing Units

Birthdays!

December

Jean Allyn
Seth Fenton
Hazel Paasch
Cris Creed
Edna Hathaway
Debbie Seaburg
Christine Hayes

Luciano Forne
Marian Hawkins
Jeff Corbin
Mike Turner
Lauren Nason
Marilyn Darling
Linda Mertle

Michael Cheshareck
Eric Turner
Teresa Meneghelli
Tom McGowan
Richard Barnes
Dennis Schaefer
Christina Nagatani

Ellen Schaefer
Thomas Mercer Hursh
Jerry Feagley
Inez A. Pestana
Bob Burdick
Elana Dolberg
Kayla Dolberg

January

Henry Allyn
Donna Buhler
Cindy Rosier
Tom Brennan
Sonja Darling
Joe Travis
Linda Marshal
Bryan Smith

Doug Greiner
Jeff Quist
Ed Paasch
Jim Wilson
Robert McIntosh
Mary Highfill
Lupe Morris
Ann Bartram

Saryl Weinstein
John Cutler
Diana Kaffan
Marilu Fox
Elaine Harris
Kristina Hollbrook
Les Hathaway
Richard Palfini

Sena Bowles
Diana Mertle Mills
Brad Feagley
Marian Sauer
Sparta Chiozza
Alphonso Diaz

Exclusive - Over 90 Club

An impressive list! And it grows each month!

Mae Mandl
Pina Barbieri
Ruth Wood
Mark Gebhart
Bernard Bernes
Anna Schwarz
Dorothy Hayes Lipp
Thelma Hecker Harvey

Kattie Amantite
Ethel Schumacher
Alice Helseth
Anna Schwarz
Jean Moyle Spiersch
Jay Vincent
Rena Cairo
Clara Christopher Loux
Romilda Burress
Lupe Padilla Lopez

Now we have an even more exclusive club.

Welcome to 100 YEAR OLDS:

Bonnie Kirkman
(mother of Alyce Williamson)

Have we missed anyone? Let us know.

Calendar

GOLDEN STATE MODEL RAILROAD MUSEUM AND EAST BAY MODEL ENGINEERS SOCIETY

900 Dornan Drive, Miller/Knox Regional Park. Interested in Museum Membership? Museum is open to the public Saturdays and Sundays and July 4th and Labor Day noon to 5 pm. Business Meetings and Workshop on Friday's 7-10 PM. 510-234-4884.

MASQUERS PLAYHOUSE

"Gypsy" Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm, November 1 through December 14. Sunday Matinees at 2 pm on November 10, 17, December 1 and 8. Tickets are \$14, cash check or credit card. Reservations 510-232-4031.

Dinner at the Hotel Mac and "Gypsy" on Thursday, December 12th for only \$28. Call 510-236-4988 for more information or reservations

POINT RICHMOND ASSOCIATION OF MOTHERS (PRAM)

Mondays at 7 PM, Methodist Church, 201 Martina Street. Information on meetings call 273-9959.

POINT RICHMOND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Meets 2nd Wednesday each month, Hotel Mac Banquet Room, 12-1:30, Lunch Reservations \$11. Contact: Paula Aasmus, O.D. 510-235-5228.

POINT RICHMOND COMMUNITY CENTER/FIELD HOUSE & PLUNGE

Info: 233-6881

POINT RICHMOND HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Museum at 139½ Washington Avenue, open Thursday's and Saturday's, 11:30 to 2:00

The deadline for the February/March issue of TPIT is Friday January 24, 2003.

POINT RICHMOND NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Meets last Wednesday each month, Pt Richmond Community Center; 7:30 P.M Contact: Rod Satre, President, 232 5059.

RICHMOND ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND

The REDF is a non-profit corporation dedicated to ensuring that future development here is well-planned, sensitive to the environment and in compliance with city, state and federal laws. Citizen support is encouraged. Further information, call 510-215-6100. General membership public meetings are held monthly. Details of current meetings are available by calling 510-232-0405.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Contact: Miss Jones, Secretary 510-232-1436.

WOMEN'S WESTSIDE IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Contact: Anita Christensen , President at 233-3343

I would like to join the P.R.H.A.

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