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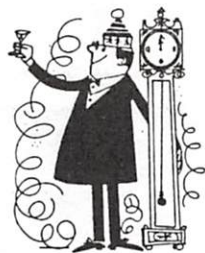
PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 1992

WHO AM I?



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HAPPY
New Year



LAST WEEK

PRES. DEAN opened our meeting with the Pledge to the Flag, followed by MALCOLM LEE with the Thought for the Day, the Reason for the Season...

Guests included: Anne Nusbaum and Jeannette Lachterman (widow of member Milt Lachterman) (NUSBAUM), Valley Cooper (LUGO), Clavel Fender (CHARLIE), Ruth Peick (CHARLIE), Kathleen Henry (LLOYD), wife Phyllis and daughter Lisa (ERLE BROWN) and Jody Markham (DAN TANITA).

CHUCK WRIGHT was up to announce his annual pilgrimage to Muleje, Mexico, to the Rotary supported Dental Clinic there. Our club is sending him with \$250 towards an Oral Evacuation machine to assist in the ongoing work there. Thanks CHUCK...

See PRES. DEAN for info and reservations to the R.I. President's Visit...

KUMAR BELUR informed us that our GSE candidate has been chosen to make the trip to Norway; he is William Simpson of Chevron; maybe MARKKU can give him some helpful hints...

HANS SHAPER was brief and to the point, as always, and introduced our newest Paul Harris Fellows...DAN TANITA, SAM SARKISSIAN, BART WALLACE, and second time around man BILL WAHBEH. Congratulations!

WERNER SCHWARZ was brief and to the point, as always, and got his way, as always, with a bylaw amendment bringing our club up to date (?). He also offered an Anecdote About An Antidote Ala Attorneys, not to be reprinted here... although it did regard something about them using their personalities as an effective form of contraception...

Dangerous DAVID SMITH was loaded for bear as he brought down MALCOLM LEE for a news article, \$50 towards Foundation, CHUCK WRIGHT \$100 towards his, DEAN BARBIERI \$100 towards his. EARNIE CLEMENTS celebrated a birthday for \$50, and Jeannette Lachterman got caught up in the Holiday spirit with \$50...But it wasn't over yet, as we had to en(dure)joy our program for the day: "Why I got married so close to Christmas" by TOM MCGOWAN, \$100, "Timing is everything", very un-Kennedyish DEAN BARBIERI, who could pass the Bar, JOE NUSBAUM, \$100, for "More of Me", MICHAEL BROWN, \$100, "Had time off", TROY GROVE, \$50, 25th Anniversary in his second marriage (no comment), HANK COVELL, \$33, "She had a job",

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ELOF GRANBERG, \$100, "Couldn't wait", and DARROL DAVIS, \$100, "Had nothing better to do", all heartfelt, romantically inspired rationale all...

The **real** program was a joyful and merry A'Cappella serenade by the El Cerrito High Choir, led by Elizabeth Witson. They ran through old standards such as "Oh Holy Night" and "Oh Christmas Tree", as well as those with a twist like a rollicking "We Wish You a Merry Christmas". But most impressive to me was their touching rendition of the Bette Midler tune "From a Distance" which was refreshingly different and delightful. We thanked them with applause, and a \$250 check to carry on.

DARROL DAVIS was Raffle Master, and awarded a Holiday Turkey and Gift Basket to TOM BUTT and KEVIN DOLAN...Lunch for a Month to WILLIE SHIELDS (they'll have to decide between themselves Junior or Senior...)

Acting, Acting Editor
DAVID ALMEIDA




PRES. DEAN presenting check to Ms. Witson.

RENO TRIP TRAIN SCHEDULE

"Before the Train Get-Together"
6:30 AM, January 12, 1992
Richmond Sanitary Service Office
3260 Blume Dr., Hilltop, Richmond

SUNDAY: January 12, 1992
LV Oakland 8:15 AM
LV Richmond 8:30 AM
LV Martinez 9:00 AM
LV Sacramento 10.25 AM
ARRIVE Reno 3:15 PM

MONDAY: January 13, 1992
LV Reno 3:05 PM
ARR Sacramento 8:10 PM
ARR Martinez 9:20 PM
ARR Richmond 9:50 PM
ARR Oakland 10:15 PM

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Boy Scouts of America

PETE ANDERSON
Herms District Executive
Mount Diablo Council

Our speaker this week, Pete Anderson, a graduate of Florida State University, began his career with the Boy Scouts of America as a District Executive in southern Georgia. Pete recently transferred to California where he now serves as the Scouting professional for the Herms District, the East Bay portion of the Mount Diablo Council.

A resident of Richmond, Pete is a member of the Berkeley Rotary Club. He will speak to us about Scouting in Richmond and the construction at Camp Herms.

Chairperson:
JOHN MEDLOCK

REMINDER: Each Team will do Thought for the Day.

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PRESIDENT DEAN BARBIERI welcomed one and all to Friday's festivities and also welcomed himself back from vacation with his thought for the day. Our visiting Rotarians were Gary Pokorny from El Cerrito and Russ Adamson from Mission San Rafael.

Information on the Reno trip is available in the Flywheel but if you have any other questions JOHN NICOL has answers. For those of you leaving from Richmond there will be an early morning send off at the Richmond Sanitary offices on Blume Dr.

DAVE ALMEIDA is once again putting together a volleyball team for the annual Rotary Tournament in Modesto. After last year's non-showing it looks as though we owe him some solid support. Even with the makeshift team of the Flying ALMEIDA BROTHERS PLUS ONE they made it to the first round of the finals. The tournament is March 28 and it benefits a local (Modesto) charity. Get out your sneakers and wash your socks, the ones that are standing up in the corner of the closet.

DEAN asked if anyone saw the Rotary float in the Rose Parade but apparently everyone was mixing Bloody Marys when it floated past. Found out we contribute \$1 per member toward the float each year.

The auction raised \$1,958 of which \$175 goes to the Rotary Foundation, thank you HENRY KELMAN and your muscatel.

NORM FOLEY presented SID FIELD with his Paul Harris certificate and medal. Congratulations. JIM SCOTT checked in with a warning to make sure you're checked in when you attend meetings. We're missing some of you even when you're there.

WALTER WOLFFS attended last week's meeting and even had a check for his 54th wedding anniversary. DEAN apologized for mixing up his FRAN WILSONS.

DAVID SMITH made short work of DAN READY who was celebrating a birthday and who had a \$100 check and received a particularly melodic rendition of "Happy Birthday". GARY GRANT, back from the Islands, couldn't restrain himself and ponied \$10 to give it a "GO BEARS!" for the


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KATHERINE is also a local person born in San Francisco and a USF grad. She first went into teaching and then turned to banking which she's been in for 15 years. She's been with Lloyd's and Hibernia banks and is now with Pacific Bay Bank. KATHERINE is the marketing officer and the International/Domestic Officer. KIRK is also a local fellow, grew up around West County and attended St. Cornelius. He lives in Pinole and works in El Cerrito so the Richmond Rotary was the place to be. KIRK started an equipment sales company 15 years ago and then moved into the residential real estate business with his wife about seven years ago. His

company is Marvin Gardens Real Estate in El Cerrito. He and his wife, a nurse at Children's Hospital, have two sons. Welcome aboard one and all and we'll see you at the Board of Directors meeting. DEAN gave us an update on the PolioPlus campaign. Through November the program had immunized 278 million children against six major childhood diseases: polio, measles, tetanus, whooping cough, diphtheria and tuberculosis. These immunizations are expected to prevent 3 million deaths annually and prevent another 400,000 children from developing polio each year. The program has raised \$230 million and has another \$177 million in grants and commitments. We'll need it all as there are 606 million children who need the vaccines. DEAN took home the steak, potato and vino. Then there was this business about the mysterious Odorous Scepter. GEORGE WACKER donated it to the auction and KUMAR BELUR bought it. Turns out it has some sentimental (or otherwise) meaning to GEORGE and he was seeking to purchase it back. Admittedly it is a thing of great beauty and wonder, but still... Anyway, earlier in the meeting HANS SHAPER offered \$100 and took the thing away. But at the end of the meeting he put it back on the block and GEORGE was reunited with the precious object for another \$25. Another bottle of muscatel in the making?

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D. PATRICK WALLACE
President/CEO

Our speaker this week is D. Patrick Wallace, President/CEO of the Better Business Bureau for Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa and Solano Counties.

Born, raised and educated in Iowa, Pat earned his BA degree in Business Administration. He served as a flight officer in the US Navy and is presently a retired USNR Lt. Commander. Prior experience includes Lending Officer for Bank of America, Credit Manager for Union Oil Co., and General Manager/Director for Grand Auto where he stayed for 21 years working in Credit (Retail/Wholesale), Customer Relations, Operations, etc.

Pat is a fellow Rotarian, a member of Oakland Rotary Club #3. He also serves on the following Board of Directors: Better Business Bureau, Consumer Credit Counselors (Past President), International Credit Assoc. (Past President), Inwood Credit Union (Credit Committee).

Chairperson of the Day: CHARLES WONG

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1992

"Changes in Attitude, Changes in
Latitude"

BOB GALLO
Vice President
MERRILL LYNCH

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible for
Thought for the Day.

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN BARBIERI finally spit it out and welcomed us all to the top of the hill and led the pledge to the flag. HANK COVELL had a thought for the day from Oliver Weldon Holmes about the fact that where we're going is more important than where we are.

Our visiting Rotarians were Dan Sweet from Pinole and John Roticci from Oakland #3. RAY MARTIN stopped in for a visit. Guests included Ed Dickinson who was JOE BAGLEY's Job Shadow, Herb Foster, the new president of Pacific Bay Bank, who was with KATHERINE O'DOWD and HENRY KELMAN's brother Joe.

There were some final words on the Reno trip capped off by a plaintive plea from DEAN that we not embarrass him when he's introduced at the Reno Inter-City Meeting. We promised.....

TOM MCGOWAN welcomed our newest member JACK MATKIN. And welcome aboard from the rest of us.

DOUG "Walk Softly and Carry a Big Recognition List" STRAUS showed JACK MATKIN how it is done by fining all non-pinner \$3. DAVE CALFEE went off on a Stanford/Cal harangue which I would've figure out if I could take shorthand. Then STRAUS called him on a bet as to how many members were wearing red socks on Friday. Way too much wrangling went on for the \$5 DOUG won.. COVELL was assessed \$5 for the above faux pas on Oliver Wendell Holmes' name. Birthdays were duly recognized for JIM BEAVER and LOREN STRAUGHN.

JOE NUSBAUM announced that the fund organized by our district and 5170 to benefit victims of the Oakland Hills fire recently made a \$25,000 donation to the Salvation Army.

DEAN had a calendar note about a Rotary International conference in San Francisco on the topic of Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention. The conference will be held June 24-25.

GEORGE WACKER had some good news about GRANT CALHOUN. He continues on the mend and is up and walking around at Brookside Hospital and continues to enjoy receiving visitors. He's on the 6th Floor.

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LAST WEEK (cont'd)

JOHN MEDLOCK introduced our guest speaker for the day, Pete Anderson with the Boy Scouts. Pete took over JOHN's old job and had an update on Scouting in general and West County in particular. The most important part of Scouting remains the lessons in life and character building it teaches boys, he said. The Scout pledge and goals contain the essence of what the young men learn. By repeating the pledge each week the values it contains become ingrained and they really learn the meaning of words like honor, duty, trustworthy and loyal. Pete feels this is especially important today when values are sometimes hard to discover. Scouting helps boys learn what to be rather than what not to be.

There are presently about 1,700 Scouts in 50 units throughout this district which runs from Crockett to Berkeley. There is no Scout troop in Hercules and very few scouts from North Richmond. Although a good program, it is not as strong as it could or should be. The Scouts are making some inroads into areas where there was previously no activity but they want to reach out into a wider area.


He reviewed the administrative make-up of the district committee and talked about his hopes to increase its membership from the current 14 to about 50. He passed out some cards for people who might like to volunteer in one way or another.

Pete answered some questions about some of the Scouts' current political problems concerning allowing girls to be members and with the question of homosexuals as Scout leaders. He said the Boy Scouts is a complete separate organization from the Girl Scouts. And he pointed out that girls have long been accepted as members of the Explorers and Sea Scouts. But they are still barred from Cub and Boy Scout troops. He indicated that the word from inside is that although boys only in troops is still the official word there is a fair possibility this could change in the future.

On the question of homosexuals as Scout leaders, the Scouts will likely continue to oppose even if it means a cut-off in funding from the United Way who is expected to make a decision on that issue around March. One-third of all organizations that receive money from United Way specify who their members may be and who they serve and Pete feels strongly that is unfair for the Scouts to be singled out because they too are specific about their members. A decision to cut off funding would most hurt those districts, such as West County, which do not yet have a strong base of community support.

RALPH HILL and KUMAR BELUR took home the fruit and presto log.

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Mr. Gallo attended school at UC Berkeley and studied economics. He has been in the financial world for 18 years beginning with Bank of America at age 16, where he progressed to manage part of the bank's investment security division. Since 1980 he has been Vice President with Merrill Lynch managing several major individual and corporate accounts in the Western United States. At this time Mr. Gallo manages over 140 million in assets.

His presentation is entirely generic and will cover a wide variety of topics such as:

- *Economic Effects of Aging Demographics on our Society
- *Why We Will Save More in the 90's
- *Current Tax Law Changes
- *Avoiding Income Taxes
- *Retirement/Financial Planning
- *Similarities Between the Early 1990's & the Early 1920's
- *Outlook for California Real Estate
- *Interest Rate Inflation
- *Can We Maintain our Explosive Growth of Debt?
- *Economic Forecast for 1992.

Chairperson of the Day: HOWARD MARTIN

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Guests included Karen Fenton (McCain), Wayne Winter (Thieme), Cynthia Brattesani (Dreibelbis) and, depending on who you believe HENRY and Joe KELMAN brought each other...

From the recent Board of Directors meeting, GARY GRANT explained the Richmond Gun Amnesty Program and our Club's \$500 support of same, DENNIS EDMONDSON explained the Substance Abuse Outreach Program to Adams Junior High and our Club's \$500 (which RASAF will match) donation to same.

DAVID ALMEIDA was up next to pitch participation in the upcoming Rotary-Only Volleyball Tournament, see note further on...

DAVE KUCHENTHAL reported "no news is good news" for the Sunshine Committee, and his first-time perspective of the Reno trip... Leaving a convenient opening for Pres. DEAN to thank JOHN NICOL for the umpteenth fantastic job of running this Interstate Extravaganza.

DEAN stayed at the podium long enough to make official our presentation of a Camcorder and kit to Arlette Merritt and Margaret Schaus of the Early Childhood Mental Health Group....

Dastardly DOUG STRAUS hammered the triple crown (three attorneys) plus one.... DEAN BARBIERI for an unabashed commercial, LESLIE LEVY for going to the Middle East (and coming back!), and CHUCK WRIGHT for a birthday. The plus one was KATHERINE O'DOWD, also for a birthday with her initial \$50 for a Paul Harris Sustaining Fellowship, which the Club will match to get her off on the right foot...

Chairman of the Day CHARLIE WONG was quick to the mike to introduce our speaker of the day, Better Business Bureau President and CEO, D. Patrick Wallace. Mr. Wallace, a fellow Rotarian from Oakland #3, indicated that he was apprehensive to once again speak to us about the BBB. He offered an anecdote from the late great Louis Armstrong to wit...it seems that when Louis was a lad way down South, he had to fetch water from the local pond

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every morning. One morning he comes face to face with one of the indigenous crocodiles and hightails it back to the house. His mom tells him not to worry, the croc probably had the same reaction to you as you to him; now where is the water? Satchmo replies that if the croc's reaction was the same, the pond water is no longer fit to drink!

According to pollster, The Roper Co., there is a 94% name recognition among the general population for the BBB, which was founded in 1911 by Businessmen, and remains a Business organization, not a consumer group or government agency. Further, it is considered a "worthy organization" by the IRS, and membership is tax-deductible. They do not make specific recommendations of businesses when queried, but only rate member firms. There are 172 separate branches in the U.S., and Rotary just helped start the first in Mexico. His office receives 1200 to 1400 complaints per month, and is able to resolve 80%. Many involve credit card scams, and many involve regular scam patterns. Although he was quick to point out that a good percentage consisted of misinformed consumers who neglected to "read the label" or were victims of nothing more than their own ineptitude. A great many involve Charity organizations, which he says numbers over 400,000 nationally with over 60,000 of those right here in the Bay Area. BBB offers a free Mediation/Arbitration service to their members, and charge a modest fee for non-members.



When questioned, he did admit that the arbitration is binding on the submitting business, but not the consumer...
DUNN did it! The Raffle of Hors d'ouvres and Cornish Game Hens was won by JOE BAGLEY and DAN READY...

VOLLEYBALL!!! Last trip, our motto was "Richmond Rowdies, we came to play..." This time, it's "If you've got the nets, we've got the ____..." C'mon you guys, get off your duff and let's play! Like Bo Jackson, what else you got to do? All you ladies ever wanted was a level playing field, right? Well it doesn't get any more level than this easy "finesse/agility" game! Join WALLACE, O'DOWD, MEDLOCK, BARBIERI, LEVY, ALMEIDA, et al, Saturday, March 28th... **BE THERE!!!**

DAVID ALMEIDA
Acting Editor

IN MEMORIAM

We are deeply saddened at the sudden passing of member and secretary JIM SCOTT over the weekend. Arrangements are pending.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1992

"Richmond Rises to the Occasion"

JOSEPH M. KINARD

Joseph M. Kinard is currently President and CEO of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce. He most recently served as the District Representative for Congressman George Miller. Prior to that he was associated with Siegel and Bishop, an executive search and recruiting firm. For two years Joe worked as a campaign associate with United Way of the Bay Area. He is a former Carter White House appointee to the Small Business Administration (Special Assistant) and has been active for a number of years in political campaigns. In addition to his political involvement, Joe was Assistant Director of Development for Antioch College with responsibilities for the Annual Campaign and Endowment Program.

Joe is active in many civic and community organizations. He is a board member of the following: Bay Area Black United Fund, Black Adoption Placement and Research Center Advisory Board, BOOST, Brookside Hospital Development Corporation, California Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives, C.C. Child Care Council, C.C. Transportation Advisory Committee, Opportunity West Families Task Force, Richmond Anti-Drug Task Force, Richmond Art Center, Richmond Economic Development Commission, Richmond Quits Smoking Project, United Way Substance Abuse & Violence Prevention Task Force, W.C. Senior Services Network, W.C. Youth Service Bureau, YMCA Community Advisory Board. In recognition of his activities, Mr. Kinard was elected to Who's Who Among Young Community Leaders of America in 1983.

Joe holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio and has done post graduate work on a Fellowship in Ghana, West Africa. He is married to Linda Kinsey.

Chairperson of the Day: JOE MCGOWAN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1992

"Motoring in Russia"

DR. LAWRENCE THAL

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible
for Thought for the Day.

LAST WEEK

PRES. DEAN BARBIERI welcomed and led the pledge to flag. HOWARD MARTIN Had a reflective thought for the day followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of a good man and a true original, JIM SCOTT, who passed away.

Visiting Rotarians were Paul Soltow of San Pablo, Duncan Ingraham, Pat O'Keefe and Steve Cutright all of El Cerrito. Our visitors included Jeanette Stringer, a Richmond High senior who was LESLIE LEVY's job shadow, DARROL DAVIS' superior half Marijean, Sandy Good with BART WALLACE and Dennis Jensen with HOWARD MARTIN.

DAVID KUCHENTHAL had a couple of somber reports on CHARLEY PEICK and FRANK CORTESE. CHARLEY is in Doctor's Hospital and is expected to be home soon. FRANK suffered a serious heart attack and is in Kaiser Vallejo. GEORGE WACKER had better news about GRANT CALHOUN. He's doing and looking better than ever and was expected to be sent home last weekend.

JOE NUSBAUM has agreed to take over temporarily as club secretary and DENNIS EDMONDSON donated \$25 to start a memorial Paul Harris Fellowship in JIM's honor.

BOB ARAGO passed around sign-up sheets for the job shadow program and TOM BUTT related a nice story about the impact the program had on one student.

HENRY KELMAN took obvious and well-deserved pride in welcoming his brother JOE into the club. JIM SCOTT would have appreciated the sterling piece of advice HENRY passed along to JOE concerning making up missed meetings.

A report from Mira Vista Management concerning parking between the lines received

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the proper response.

DAVID "The Recognitionator" SMITH had his hands full. TOM AMESS was celebrating a birthday, EARNIE CLEMENTS an anniversary and DON MILLER and JOHN NICOL shared a Friday birthday. BESSIE DREIBELBIS got a week's head start on her birthday with a \$100 donation to her Paul Harris. TOM BUTT ponied up \$5 to hear SID FIELD tell a Reno story where after putting up with some smart comments from DEAN around the gaming tables, ended up winning a couple of big slot machine jackpots including one for \$1,000. SMITH punished us all by making HENRY sing Happy Birthday to NICOL and MILLER.

Our guest speaker was Robert Gallo, vice president with Merrill Lynch in W.C. After his speech I sold my home, liquidated all my assets, put half the cash in a jar and invested the rest in a Venezuelan copper mine. I'm buying low, selling high and have vowed never again to play poker with a guy named Doc.

Seriously, Robert has a fascinating view of what we can expect from the business and financial world in the 90's. Most of it was sobering news, if not altogether grim. Some of the problems catching up with us from the 80's are the continued growth of consumer and public debt relative to income, and some of the ratios of debt to personal income as well as to GNP are at levels not seen since just prior to the Stock Market crash of 1929. He doesn't see a repeat of that scenario because of what we have




subsequently learned about controlling the money supply.

One of the main things that drove the economy of the 70's & 80's was the baby boomers hitting their peak earning years. That generation and the number of young income earning people relative to other ages was a complete anomaly in our 200-year history. As they grow older their spending habits will change and have more profound effects on the economy.

His recommendations: have a retirement plan and fund it to the limit, especially company plans that match your investment; have \$25,000 to \$30,000 in ready cash; rid yourself of ALL consumer debt, even car payments; do not expect your home to be the income investment it was in the 70's & 80's, it's just the place where you live so it better be affordable; make sure you have disability insurance; don't carry any unneeded insurance; have an IRA even if they continue non-deductible; have a living trust if your net worth exceeds \$400,000. Also avoid partnerships and mutual funds, do your own stock investing. Go back to basics when it comes to your investments - oil, mining, manufacturing - avoid consumer oriented companies. Got it?

DON MILLER hit the jackpot and took home both raffle prizes and appeared well-stocked for the Super Bowl.

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"Motoring in Russia"

DR. LAWRENCE THAL

Larry Thal grew up in Berkeley and graduated from Berkeley High. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado and went on to pilot training. His Air Force assignments were in South Carolina, Germany, Turkey and Vietnam where he flew 76 combat missions and served as the Advisor to the Commander, 82nd Airborne Div., for Special Airdrop Operations. In the Air Force Reserve he currently serves as a full colonel.

Larry attended optometry school at U.C. Berkeley after completing his Air Force active duty. He maintains an optometric practice in Kensington and serves as an Associate Clinical Professor in the U.C. School of Optometry. He has been honored as California Young Optometrist of the Year (1981), Alameda-CCC Optometrist of the Year (1987) and was appointed to the California State Board of Optometry by Gov. Jerry Brown in 1981 and again by Gov. George Deukemajian in 1985.

Larry is active in his local community and has served as a Police Commissioner since 1980. He is married and has three daughters, ages 6, 3 and 1½.

His talk today is about driving through the Soviet Union and the interesting experiences he and his wife had.

Chairperson of the Day: DAN READY

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1992

VALENTINE'S DAY PROGRAM OF INTEREST TO COUPLES & SINGLES. MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND BRING YOUR SWEETHEARTS.

"To Build or Not to Build, Is That the Question?"

HARRY JACOBS, an East Bay Architect of distinction, will present the numerous considerations and decisions that must be weighed before the building of your dream house.

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LAST WEEK

Our meeting today was opened by, Surprise! PRES. DEAN with the Pledge...Followed closely, but carefully, by TOM MCGOWAN with the Thought for today: That Anger is often a mask for Fear... What the heck do you mean?!!!

Visiting Rotarians were Bill James, Chris Bailey (EC), Harold Schmalheiser (WC), Chuck Day (SP), Joan Parker (Berk), and PDG Carl Ilzig (Hanau, Germany), and PDG Carlos Froiz (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil); Welcome All!

Visitors included Job Shadow Jennifer Livingston (I presume...) from Pinole Valley (McCAIN), former member Eddie (III) Downer who would not sit with BILL REID, Linda Kinsey (wife of our speaker) and Shannon (his own wife) MCGOWAN. It was also widely assumed by his standing at the appropriate time that LEM WASHINGTON had a guest, but he informed us that he did not; at this time...

DENNIS EDMONDSON finally got his chance to make the announcement that our club was donating an additional \$500 to RASAF for a "Club Live" program (similar to the High School version "Friday Night Live") at Adams Junior High. On hand to receive the check was Mike King of the Substance Abuse Council, who gave a quick rundown on the program, and thanked us kindly for our support... Parenthetically, this last \$500 will be matched by RASAF so the total contribution to date in the name of Richmond Rotary to West County schools for this program is \$1850...

Sharon McGowan shared a moment with us on the Wellness Community to: Thank us for our financial support of the group, and to remind us to "spread the word". She says that currently they are seeing 200 people per week, but could see double...not sure if that shouldn't be the motto for the RASAF, Hmmm...

Charter Night (?) - Vacaville Sunrise on February 16th, 3 p.m. (must get dark early back east...), speaker will be R.I. Pres. Cliff Dochterman, see DEAN...

"Recognitionator II" (I really liked that one...) DOUG ("I'll be back...") STRAUS was welcomed by the customer "reflex applause" so native to his ilk, but returned the favor by tapping DENNIS EDMONDSON a fast sawbuck for

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for an unscheduled guest intro... Big BILL REESE a big 5-0 for the big 5-0...even HANS SHAPER was only able to "Yup" in reply to the Bully Barristers' Barrage...

TOM McGOWAN introduced our speaker, former member Joe Kinard, President of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce. TOM noted that Joe is a "scratch" golfer; actually that was Joe's reply to the fellows when they asked his preferred leisure activities, "scratch golf". Joe started out with some really Olympic caliber accolades to his wife, who happened to be in attendance (is this guy in sales...). Joe was quick to point out the positive side to Richmond business; the recent relocation of such companies as PIXAR and BERLEX, the Enterprise Zone, the Knox Freeway and Richmond Parkway, and new I-80 connections.




Being from New York, he noted that the yardstick for success was always California, and in many ways continues to be. He singled out our own resident entrepreneur HENRY KELMAN as an example of the new spirit of business/businesspersons in Richmond. One thing that the Chamber is pressing for is a reduction in the Permit and Paperwork Process that is the bane of all businesses. RUSS SCHULZE, who is more than casually interested, asked about the ongoing battle where Kaiser is trying to obtain title to land at 8th and Nevin to enlarge their

facility; Joe responded that deal is already nearing completion. All in all, Joe was confident that things were looking up.

The Raffle was done by STEPHEN DUNN, winners were visitor Chris Bailey (he'll be back...) and KEVIN DOLAN left, so the loot was given to GEORGE WACKER. This being absolutely, positively the last day of the month, we rolled the dice for Lunch for a Month: and came up with the Green Grocer hisself, CHARLIE WONG...

Left to me (again) by Beaver,
DAVID ALMEIDA

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**** SPOUSES DAY ** SWEETHEARTS DAY ****

**"To Build or not to Build,
is that the Question?"**

HARRY JACOBS, FAIA

An East Bay Architect of distinction and a past state president of the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Jacobs will present the numerous planning and budget considerations that must go into the building of your dreamhouse.

Mr. Jacobs, who also holds a General Contractor's license, is well known for his wide ranging success in the residential field. While for many years he has been involved with clients in the custom design and construction of residences of the highest architectural quality, he has also constructed houses for his own account to be sold on the open real estate market.

He can even vouch for issues that he and his wife, Cynthia, faced in the recent completion of their own magnificent house above Skyline Boulevard.

Heavily committed to community service, Mr. Jacobs is chairing the California Emergency Design Assistance Teams working with five neighborhoods of the fire-ravaged Oakland/Berkeley area.

Come with provocative questions!

Chairperson of the Day:
DON HARDISON

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1992

"Update on Bart"

NELLO BIANCO

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LAST WEEK

EL PRESIDENTE DEAN B. got things going with a pledge to the flag and the eminent DAN READY's thought for the day was worth repeating, "As you slide down life's bannister may all the splinters be facing the right direction."

Our visiting Rotarians were Barbara Whitaker from El Cerrito and Bud Read from Albany. Guests included Brian Hodges with OSCAR LUGO, DAVE ALMEIDA's job shadow Rick Jackson from Richmond High, Herb Dean with LEM WASHINGTON and Chris Stanton with HOWARD MARTIN.

DAVE ALMEIDA can still use some volleyball players for the big Modesto Rotary tournament. He's going to try to get in a couple of practices so that we might bathe ourselves in glory rather than ignominy. Call DAVE at work if you feel the need to spike. GARRETT GRANT had some news on an upcoming fundraiser for the Richmond Schools Boosters, a "Float on the Bay" on Sat. Feb. 29. It's \$50 per person and we don't have to tell you about the cause. Feb. 29 is Leap Day so don't stand too close to the railing.

Last reminder about next Saturday's (Feb. 16) Charter Night put on by the Vacaville Rotary Sunrise Club. Charter Night starts at 3 p.m. which is about right for a sunrise club. See DEAN for details. DARROL DAVIS raffled off a box of Valentine's candy which PHIL PEZZUTO snapped up and which netted \$41 for the scholarship fund.

JOE KELMAN gave his "Who Am I" speech. JOE is married, has two children and lives in Pinole. He's the CFO of a company that manufactures fixtures and displays for department stores. He spent some time growing up in the Santa Cruz area and then lived in Sacramento where he graduated from Sacramento State. He was an auto mechanic for a time and still enjoys working with cars.

DOUG STRAUS and DAVE SMITH both bailed out but swore to DEAN that the recognitions were caught up. DEAN exhorted us to prove them wrong but it was tough going. ALMEIDA tried and paid. RUSS SCHULZE tried and did better - he's about to become a grandfather again -

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twice. GARRETT GRANT put in \$20 on account of his being unopposed in his election. CHUCK WRIGHT allowed as how this probably gives him a pretty good chance of winning if he works real hard. PETE BRAY had \$10 for his grandson's birthday.




Our guest speaker was Dr. Lawrence Thal who recently took a motor trip through Eastern Europe, Russia, the Balkan states and into Finland. He was in East Germany a couple of weeks before the Brandenburg Gate was opened and witnessed much of the ferment welling up throughout that part of the world. Highlights from his trip included the most expensive meal they could find, a nice restaurant in Warsaw where the bill came to about \$2.50 per person. The official versus the black market rates of exchange were remarkable. In Russia you got one ruble for \$1.85 at the official rate but on the black market you could get eight rubles for a dollar. In Poland the official rate was 1,000 zolotys for \$1, unofficially you could get 8,000 to 12,000 for \$1. Not that this was horrible. A large reason for the trip was for Dr. Thal's father-in-law to find the town in which he was born. This was not easy as all the names have been changed, several times in some instances. Using the map museum at UC he was able to get a pretty good idea where it was located.

Once they got there it was unclear whether they had the right town. His father-in-law was convinced they had it but others were less sure. It was a very small place, about 20 houses, a pharmacy and a church made up the whole thing and no one spoke English. But once someone figured out it was English the group was speaking they got on the phone to a school teacher in another town who spoke English. She closed the school to come talk to them. She spoke flawless English, Dr. Thal said, and never had a chance to speak it with another person. Great story. He had another good anecdote about being detained by police when they made a wrong turn into an apparently restricted area. They appeared to be in serious hot water until Dr. Thal opened his wallet to get his driver's license and the police saw his Kensington police commissioner's badge. That turned things right around and suddenly he was a brother policeman and his group received an escort to the next town. Leningrad was filled with graft and alcoholism and he felt he was seeing some of the reasons, or perhaps the effects, of the collapse of the Soviet economy.

DAN TANITA took home the wine and FRAN WILSON the Jack Daniel's.

This Friday is Valentine's Day-bring your spouse or S.O. And thanks to DAVE who's been a yeoman on newsletter fill-in duty. DAVE has truly learned the meaning of the phrase "A friend in need is why they invented answering machines."

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1992

"BART Update"

NELLO BIANCO
BART DIRECTOR - DISTRICT #2

Nello Bianco was appointed to the BART Board of Directors in 1969 by the C.C.C. Board of Supervisors and reappointed in 1983 and was elected by his colleagues on the BART Board of Directors to serve as President in 1990. He served as BART President in 1974, 1980 & 1986 and was Vice-President in 1973, 1976 & 1978.

In 1974 Director Bianco was chosen by the electorate of BART's District #2 as their representative to the first elected BART Board of Directors when he received the highest number of votes among all 134 candidates running for the nine newly elected BART Board seats.

Unopposed in the 1978 election he retained his position and was overwhelmingly re-elected in 1982 and was again unopposed for election in 1986 and 1990.

Director Bianco initiated the District's association with the University of California Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, an action which was a major factor in solving early technical problems on the system. He was also the first BART Director to call for major litigation against some of BART's original suppliers and developers. Director Bianco was instrumental in arranging for the first citizens advisory committee to study extension of the BART rail system within the three BART counties, and he headed up the original committee on the Pittsburg-Antioch Extension Study.

A native of Weed, California, Nello Bianco's family moved to Richmond in 1938. He has been a businessman in this area since 1954 and is an active community leader. He and his wife Betty reside in El Sobrante and have 3 children.

Chairperson of the Day: LOREN STRAUGHN

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible for
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1992

Latest Events Involving the Richmond Unified School District

FRANK CALTON

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN opened the meeting with a quiet moment in honor of two long-time club members who passed away last week: FRANK CORTESE, a member since 1963, and CHARLEY PEICK, a member since 1975. CHARLEY's funeral was to be held Monday and FRANK's will be Saturday in Napa.

DEAN then led the pledge to the flag and HANK COVELL had a story for the day. It involved insurance and the theme was "poor planning."

Our visiting Rotarians were Steve Holland from Berkeley, Dan Sweet from Pinole and Todd Armstrong from Albany. Our guests were many and delightful. Members bringing their Valentines included CHARLIE WONG, JOE NUSBAUM, GEORGE WACKER, LOREN STRAUGHN, LESLIE LEVY, RUSS SCHULZE, WALT ZERA, NORM FOLEY, DENNIS EDMONDSON, DARROL DAVIS, ERLE BROWN, LLOYD HENRY, FRAN WILSON, BUD MARTIN, DON HARDISON and DEAN BARBIERI. Hope I didn't miss too many. BOB ARAGO brought his job shadow, Raymundo Ojeda from Richmond High.

LESLIE had a reminder about the program assignments. A reminder sheet went out recently for all the teams. New members should check out their assignments which should start coming up in June. Also, we'll be having an inter-city meeting with the Berkeley Club on Wednesday, March 11 at H's Lordships. They need some RSVP numbers so see LESLIE if you're planning on making it.

DAN TANITA welcomed our newest member and pinned a red badge on CYNTHIA BRATTESANI. Welcome to the Richmond Rotary Club.

DAVID SMITH had a good deed to perform. A group of his colleagues got together awhile back and formed the West Contra Costa Independent Insurance Agents committee (or something like that) which eventually dissolved but not

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before collecting a nice amount of money which they wanted to put back into the community. This nice sum of money turned out to be \$19,373 which made me wish I'd listened more carefully to DAVID's explanation of just how they raised it. Anyway DAVID was happy to present a check for that amount to the Richmond Art Center which was represented by Jeff Nathanson. He said the money would go toward a couple of new kilns and pottery wheels as well as providing some seed money for some renovations to the Center including a cafe. Finally a place where I can wear my beret.

Things were moving right along so DOUG "Dame tu dinero, baby," STRAUS did his dirty work from the back row. He let HANK COVELL off the hook for record-setting thought for the day because it was sufficiently funny. It must be a lawyer thing. LLOYD HENRY, who brought his bride Kathy, was celebrating a 27th anniversary. GOERGE WACKER was a birthday boy. Both gentlemen had generous donations. DOUG inducted MICHAEL BROWN into the ways of recognitionhood by charging him \$5 to buy his newly-earned blue badge.

Our speaker for the day was Harry Jacobs, an architect who was introduced effusively by DON HARDISON and reciprocated with great praise for DON. Too bad DOUG had already sat down. Harry's topic was all about building a custom home and the relationship that develops between the architect, the owner and the contractor. He said he




considers everyone who decides to custom build a home a brave person. This is not just because of the often uncertain financial journey they are embarking upon, nor the well-known trials and tribulations involved in construction. Harry considers them brave mostly because they are about to give real three-dimensional expression, a social statement as it were, to their architectural taste and their dreams.

Legally you need neither an architect nor a building contractor to design and build a home. You can do the whole thing yourself. If you are considering custom building a home and wish to hire an architect the rules are pretty much the same as for hiring any professional. Talk to friends, find out who's had a good experience. Call the AIA for some advice and names. When you see home or projects you like find out who disigned it. Most important, make the chemistry check. Are you comfortable with the architect and do you feel confident about them.

The front table made out well in the raffle as DON HARDISON and Karen Barbieri shared the vino and Valentine candy.

There's a Board of Directors Meeting this Thursday, February 20, at the Pt. Marina Inn. And thanks to DAVE NINOMIYA for the roses.

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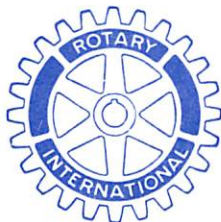
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FRANK CALTON

Frank Calton has been on the Richmond Unified School District Board since 1981. He has earned a reputation as the most fiscally conservative member which puts him in a good position to comment on the current crises. There are many new developments which have not been widely publicized or have been misunderstood by the press, including the recovery plan, the claim for \$29 million filed by Honig, return of local control, prospects for a new bankruptcy, etc.

Frank is Manager of Tax Credit Investments for Chevron Land and Development Company. He was previously Vice-President for the Northern Division and Senior Project Manager for the Hilltop Project. He has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from U.C. Berkeley and served with the Army Corps of Engineers in Korea. Frank lives in El Sobrante. He is married and has four children.

Chairperson of the Day: TOM BUTT

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1992

"Contact-Care Center"

DONALD MARTIN

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible for
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LAST WEEK

DEAN, our president, opened the meeting with a welcome and the pledge to the flag. DARROL DAVIS made us sit down again for his dual thought for the day. First he thanked EARNIE CLEMENTS for letting him sub and then he had a message about making things work for the future. Was it just me or did it sound familiar?

Visiting Rotarians included John Coogan and Granger Cobb from San Pablo and Monjeu Batra from Berkeley. KUMAR BELUR brought his wife Tara.

GARRETT GRANT pointed out some nice publicity we received in the Times concerning our \$1,000 donation to the Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council. The money will go toward "Club Live", a program at Adams Middle School that gives teenagers something to do besides hit the streets.

DEAN wondered why no one at last week's board meeting told him about the rip in his pants. Everyone figured it was there on purpose.

LESLIE LEVY got a show of hands for the inter-city meeting with Berkeley on March 11. She got a rough estimate but there's still room if you want to go.

A great day for blue badges. KIRK CORR and JOE KELMAN got theirs. DENNIS TRIPLETT scored a rare el double by getting both his blue badge (for Richmond) and his Paul Harris. DAN TANITA had his hands full with badges for two members he sponsored. KATHERINE O'DOWD and CYNTHIA BRATTESANI. Welcome one and all.

DOUG "You like me, you really like me" STRAUS let DEAN off way easy (the lawyer thing again) for a host of transgressions. They included giving out five blue badges and not collecting a farthing, the hole in his pants, giving DOUG the wrong title and, finally, suffering from premature badgulation. All this was worth a paltry \$10.

DONNA MCCAIN, back from the snowy slopes, had \$100 toward her Paul Harris for her Valentine birthday. She also pitched in a nice sum toward the Paul Harris that DENNIS EDMONDSON started in honor of JIM SCOTT. LEROY THIEME was celebrating 10 years of

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wedded bliss (two for her, eight for him) and had a nice donation to the community fund. JACK MATKIN celebrated a birthday starting a Paul Harris for his wife with \$100 matched by \$50 from the club. An anniversary foul-up cost DON HARDISON \$5.

CYNTHIA BRATTESANI gave her Who Am I speech. Born and raised in San Francisco and graduated from USF and then from the UCSF school of dentistry. Her parents came over from Italy and Italian was her first language. She has since learned French as well and is fluent in all three languages. She also loves to travel as shown by her recent wedding. She and her husband (yes, a lawyer) took 52 relatives and friends back to Italy for the ceremony. Welcome to an enthusiastic new Richmond Rotarian.

Speaking of enthusiastic Italians, our speaker was Nello Bianco. After several decades on the BART Board of Directors Nello hasn't lost a step. He's still telling it like it is. He was happy to report that ground has finally been broken on the Pittsburgh extension and service should begin sometime around 1995-97. He put the blame on the long delay on the wrangling over whether to build an extension to SFO. There has always been a lot of pressure, political and otherwise, to build an extension to the airport despite the fact that San Mateo county early on opted not to participate in the BART system and did not collect the sales taxes that San Francisco, Alameda and Contra Costa residents have been




paying for decades. After much back and forth San Mateo has bought in for \$200 million which was used as matching funds and is now funding the Pittsburgh extension, a Dublin-Castro Valley extension and the San Mateo extensions. Now the problem is Santa Clara County, he said, They went off on their own and built a trolley system that isn't compatible with BART. That was \$300 million that could have been used for matching funds and used regionally. He believes Santa Clara is playing the waiting game to see if it can get in the system for free.

He strongly supports giving a new railcar contract to the American company bidding for it despite the fact the company has never built a new car. Many city and regional transportation systems are going to be needing new railcars in the near future and American industry needs to get back in the game.

He said this particular board is the worst he's ever served on. Five members are up for re-election this year and he's hoping for a change. He's up for re-election in three years and said maybe it's time for a change for him too. After Friday's performance it looks like he's still having way too much fun to leave.

SAM SARKISSIAN and WES SEAPY took home the filet and vino.

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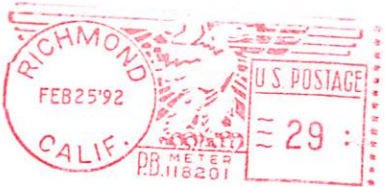
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"Contact-Care Center"

DONALD MARTIN

The Contact-Care center is a volunteer non-profit agency providing 24 hours service in telephone counseling and crisis intervention in the East Bay. The telephone service counsels individuals with problems such as teen & adult suicide, depression, loss of jobs, housing, food, child abuse, parental stress, alcohol & drug addiction, battered women, mental & physical illness, divorce, death of spouse, parent or child. This center provides a large program and vital support & services to our local communities and handles approximately 15,000 calls per year.

Our speaker, Don Martin, is a retired advertising account executive of Webb & Associates of Lafayette. Prior to joining Webb Don was Vice President-Marketing for Lorain Corp. and a General Manager of a manufacturing firm in Ontario, Canada. Don has been associated with the Contact-Care Center for more than ten years as a phone worker, volunteer, member of the Board of Trustees, and is currently the Chairman of the Trustees' Fund Development Committee as well as a member of the Speakers Committee.

Don will provide an overall picture of the Contact-Care Center operations, the growth area of youth care, the volunteer training programs and the business management/employee training programs.

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Chairperson of the Day: STEVE DUNN

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1992, 12:15 PM

Inter-City Meeting
with the
Berkeley Rotary Club
at
H's Lordships

Speaker: ANDREW FRAKNOI

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1992

JOINT MEETING WITH SOROPTIMISTS

The speaker will be entertaining LARRY WILDE, author of "When You're Up to Your Eyeballs With Alligators".

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible for Thought for the Day

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN led the pledge to the flag and TOM BUTT successfully carried out his promise regarding some scary thoughts for the day. They had to do with the RUSD.

Our visiting Rotarians were Gary Pokorny from El Cerrito, Chuck Day from San Pablo, David Romain from El Cerrito and Dan Sweet from Pinole. Guests included WIN BOWMAN's job shadow Amber Koops from Pinole Valley High School.

Announcements: If you're planning to attend the District Conference April 24-26 at the San Francisco Airport Marriott you need to pick up a registration form. Thanks to Mechanics Bank and Chevron for donating \$2,000 each for gift baskets at the conference.

March 11 is the Inter-City Club Meeting with Berkeley Rotary. LESLIE LEVY thinks they might be offering a round of complimentary cocktails. The speaker will be Andrew Fraknoi, an entertaining astronomer and one of my favorite debunkers of scientific myths.

HANK COVELL is looking for feet to power a Rotary centipede in the upcoming (May) Bay to Breakers. He promises to go easy on your dogs and even JOHN MEDLOCK is going to grab his cane and go along for the ride.

DAVE ALMEIDA could use a few more spikers and setters for the March 29 Stockton Rotary Volleyball Tournament.

JOE NUSBAUM was cleaning out the Rotary closet and found enough stuff to re-stock Fibber McGee's old closet. He's wondering what we should keep and what we should toss.

JACK HORTON was called upon to explain the red roses on many of our badges. DAVE NINOMIYA rose grower extraordinaire, supplies them and all good Rotarians eventually wind up with one.

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DOG STRAUS was in a mellow mood. Was that PHIL PEZZUTO who took a quick \$5 hit for speaking out of turn? DON LAU's anniversary meant a gift to the community fund. KUMAR BELUR's birthday was worth some extended repartee and \$100 toward his Paul Harris.

Our guest speaker was Richmond Unified School District Board member Frank Calton. His report was generally as bleak as TOM's dire statements. He opened by saying that it is "almost impossible" to overstate the situation the school district is in and the continuing impact he expects it to have not only on our schools but on business and housing in the area. He commended the work of the locally formed Independent Review Committee which he felt made some solid recommendations concerning restructuring the debt. But he castigated the recent school board approval of the State's plan that will result in the school board taking back control of its budget and planning. Frank and school board member DON LAU were on the losing end of a 3-2 vote on the plan. Frank said the plan is fatally flawed and the State has not done its work before sending control back to the district.




The plan, which is presented as a debt restructuring, is nothing of the sort, he said. Rather it simply postpones payback on the debt and will result in more interest payments down the road. Combined with the growing State budget problems this debt will be a crushing

burden for the foreseeable future. The debt service alone could reach \$7 million to \$9 million annually, a figure Frank called unacceptable. One serious result of all this is that the district is going to find it extremely difficult to attract quality teachers. The assumptions in the State plan, including enrollment figures, lottery money and debts to IBM, simply will not wash. One important feature is that the plan makes no provision to keep a minimum level of quality of education. Despite the fact that there are numerous assumptions and performance criteria that Frank feels are going to be nearly impossible to meet the State is authorized to take back control of the district if they are not met.

He also criticized the State's petition to make the district out of bankruptcy. This has resulted in the loss of critical funds that were protected in bankruptcy. The bottom line is that the district has become a political hot potato in Sacramento. No one wants to make the hard choices and the decision to return to local control is a myth. He and DON believe that Tough Times are ahead and as Frank said, this isn't what he went on to the School Board to do but it has to be done.

DAVID KUCHENTHAL and OSCAR LUGO took home the brandy and chicken. STEVE DUNN wins lunch for March

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1992, 12:15 PM

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1992

Inter-City Meeting with the Berkeley Rotary Club at H's Lordships

"Grand Tour of the Universe"

ANDREW FRAKNOI
Executive Director
Astronomical Society of the Pacific

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1992

JOINT MEETING WITH THE SOROPTIMISTS

"When You Are Up to Your Eyeballs in Alligators"

LARRY WILDE

Larry Wilde is the author of 47 books which has sold more than 11 million copies in 53 countries. As a comedian, he has appeared with Debbie Reynolds, Ann-Margaret, Vikki Carr, Diana Ross, Pat Boone and Andy Williams. He has performed in 49 states, Europe, Australia, Canada and the Caribbean.

Among his numerous television credits are The Tonight Show, The Merv Griffin Show, The Mary Tyler Moore Show and Sanford & Son. He has been featured on NBC News, CNN, The Today Show, The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The Chicago Tribune, The San Francisco Chronicle and Reader's Digest.

Larry Wilde is the founder of National Humor Month.

Chairperson of the Day: LESLIE LEVY

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"Norway and Europe"

DAG ULNES
Norwegian Consul General

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN opened with a lament about his brand new computer being zapped by the Michaelangelo virus. Guess he didn't offer sufficient sacrifices to the great gods "Bootup" and "Motherboard". Finally he led the pledge to the flag and was followed by JIM CLAUSEN's thought for the day on executives.

Our guests were Dahlia Moody with DOUG STRAUS and Arelonde Reed, a Richmond High student who was TOM MCGOWAN's job shadow.

Last reminder about Wednesday's Intercity Meeting with Berkeley Rotary at H's Lordships. Hosted bar if that helps. Also, this Friday is a Joint Meeting with the Soroptimists.

ERLE BROWN is the man to see for information and reservations for the April 24-26 District Conference at the San Francisco Airport Marriott. We're hoping for a good turnout. Room rates are a very reasonable \$75 and the guest speaker is Governor Pete Wilson.

DAVE ALMEDIA's got the minimum number for the volleyball team and could use another volunteer or two.

DAVID SMITH was going to fine the Italians for the Michaelangelo virus but couldn't bring himself to do it. ERLE BROWN, BILL SHIELDS and DAN READY were all celebrating birthdays and Paul Harris's and the community fund did very well. Also, congratulations to BILL who was recently installed as a pastor at his church.

DAN READY accused ELOF GRANBERG of having a screw loose. For real. Seems one of the screws holding his broken hip together has backed out and is floating around in there somewhere. We thanked him for sharing that during lunch. SMITH allowed that considering ELOF got his care for free in Canada he probably got what he paid for.

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Our guest speaker was Don Martin, a retired advertising executive who for the past 10 years has been involved with Contact-Care, a volunteer non-profit agency providing 24 hour service in telephone counseling and crisis intervention. Contact-Care counsels people with problems including teen and adult suicide, depression, job loss, child abuse and alcohol and drug addiction. They handle about 15,000 calls annually. Don has been a phone worker, volunteer, member of the Board of Trustees and is currently chairman of the Trustees Development Fund Committee.




He started with the Deaf-Care program and said he realized how little he knew about what really goes on in people's lives. Contact-Care taught him to listen to people and to pick up from what they were saying about the problems they were dealing with. Phone calls can range from the calm and collected person who really just needs someone to talk with to people who are making violent threats against others or threatening suicide. The volunteers don't give advice but rather try to give the person a framework in which they can work out their problems. They help them sort out the possible from the impossible, the realistic from the unrealistic. Don told of one woman who called and who he said sounded "depressed beyond exhaustion". She was wheel-chair bound and had other serious emotional problems. Through many talks with the volunteers over time she was able to rebuild her self-esteem, put her life in order and is now a working writer.

The training program for Contact-Care is very rigorous and even after volunteers get through it they still must be evaluated to see if they are emotionally capable of handling the stress of the calls. Don said that half the current training class consists of teenagers and he's very proud of the work they do through the Teen-to-Teen Hotline. He is aware of three potential teen suicides that have been prevented through the program. There is also a Kid Phone Warmline for youngsters who are home alone. The entire Contact-Care program gets by on about \$100,000 per year mostly thanks to large in-kind donations from business and industry including PacBell, IBM and Chevron. He summed up the program in a quote, "No matter how old you are, when you go out in the world it's a good idea to hold hands and stick together."

LEROY THIEME took the gift and STAN TEADERMAN took home the Scotch.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1992

"Norway and Europe"

DAG MORK-ULNES
Norwegian Consul General

Dag Mork-Ulnes, Consul General for Norway in San Francisco was born in the town of Ski, Norway and he attended the University of Agriculture in As, Norway, earning his Degree in Agriculture (Economics and Politics).

He was admitted to the Norwegian Foreign service M.F.A. (Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1967 and over the years served in many capacities. In addition he was Permanent Representative from Norway to the following UN agencies in Rome, Italy: Food and Agriculture Organization, World Food Program, International Fund for Agricultural Development, and World Food Council. He also served as Consul General in Edinburgh, Scotland for 4 years before serving the Pacific North West, Alaska and Hawaii as Consul General in San Francisco.

Consul General Mork-Ulnes and his wife Randi have 2 sons, Nils-Petter and Casper, who both attend schools in San Francisco.

Chairperson of the Day: CHARLIE FENDER

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1992

"Wine, Health and Happiness"

NANCY FAHDEN
Supervisor

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed Rotarians and Soroptimists alike and led the pledge to the flag. He turned the thought for the day over to Soroptimist President Barbara Obele who took full advantage of the moment with a humorous narrative.

Our joint meeting included almost 20 visiting Soroptimists including District Governor Carolyn Poage. Our guests included Pablo Stevenson, an El Cerrito High senior who was TOM MALSBURY's job shadow, Dick Schuey with CHARLIE FENDER, Gary Bell with TOM AMESS and two others who slipped past me and I'll try to pick them up next week.

DEAN had a couple of letters which highlighted the hard work ERLE BROWN put in to help us with the upcoming District Conference, specifically garnering \$2,000 from The Mechanics Bank and Chevron for the conference. Thanks to ERLE for making it happen and thanks also to Carolyn Poage at bank and Hal Holt at the other place.

DEAN also thanked LESLIE LEVY for the great work she did on last Wednesday's inter-city meeting with Berkeley. The 20 or so Richmond Rotarians who went had a fine time. More thanks from DON HARDISON regarding the work our club and the Soroptimists have done on behalf of the Richmond Museum. They truly appreciate the computer equipment.

BOB ARAGO said Richmond will again be holding a summer youth program and they'll be looking for volunteers. More info to come. He also passed around a pledge sheet for himself and SID FIELD. They were participating in a Bowl-A-Thon for the United Way.

Carolyn had some information and sign-up sheets for the 10th Annual Soroptimists Golf Tournament which will be held April 10 at Franklin Canyon.

DAVID SMITH was quick. He asked DAN READY what we could expect from all the Irish as St. Paddy's Day was drawing nigh. DAN had a lesson in Gaelic and did you know that Gaelic is right in between gadzooks and gaff in the dictionary? You could look it up. HENRY KELMAN was celebrating an anniversary and was warmly recognized.

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Our speaker for the day was Larry Wilde and the answer is no, I didn't get down all the jokes. Larry's topic was how important a sense of humor is in improving our outlook on life. He believes we're all born with a sense of humor but some of us lose it along the way. That's too bad because he also believes that it is the key ingredient to a long and happy life. It's most important when times are tough and we're feeling down. He gave us his five-step program for regaining a sense of humor and for improving your outlook.

Step 1 is to get in the habit of laughing out loud. The physical act of laughing out loud is not only beneficial to your mental health but more and more folks believe it can actually be as important as diet and exercise for your physical well-being. He told a pretty good lawyer joke to illustrate the point. I didn't get it down but maybe DARROL remembers it.

Step 2 is to learn to laugh at yourself. Psychiatrists say that laughter is a spontaneous burst of affection so it follows that laughing at yourself is a way to tell yourself that you're OK.

Step 3 is to develop a light-hearted attitude. This helps develop a positive point of view and helps you cope with unexpected challenges. It carries over into an improved business outlook as well because studies have shown that a sense of humor helps improve the quality of work and

how people relate to you. It also helps infuse a sense of loyalty in your co-workers. Step 4 is to expose yourself to something funny everyday.


Step 5 is to try to see the funny side of life. He showed how this can be done even with those situations that are generally considered stressful or tragic. There is almost nothing in life that doesn't have a humorous side.

The jokes and the humor came fast and furious, especially at the end of Larry's presentation and he finished up with a song.

Barbara Obele and Joyce Neil each took home a bottle of wine and JOE NUSBAUM and ELOF GRANBERG split the corned beef & cabbage and the scotch.

JIM BEAVER, Editor

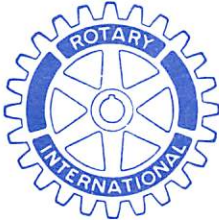
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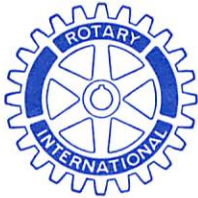


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NANCY FAHDEN
Supervisor, Dist. 2

Nancy Fahden was the first woman elected to the C.C.C. Board of Supervisors in 1976 and was re-elected in 1980, 1984 and 1988 serving as the first Chairwoman in 1980. District 2 is the second largest district in Contra Costa County from Martinez to Crockett to Tara Hills and El Sobrante to Walnut Creek.

While serving District 2 she was Initiator of the Solar Energy Commission, the C.C.C. Work Detail Program (youths), a Co-Initiator of the Briones Hills Agricultural Preserve Act and Chairwoman of the Internal Operations and Finance Committees.

Some of her major goals and involvements have included long-term elderly care, adequate/low-cost housing, childcare, better air quality, solid waste disposal, recycling, protection of the Bay/Delta ecosystem and Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention, to name a few. She is a long-time opponent of the Peripheral Canal.

Her service to her community through special committees and civic organizations include being Mother of the Martinez Shore Line Park, Founder of Women for the Waterfront and Initiator of the Martinez Fishing Families Boat Memorial. And among her many honors and awards she has been named Woman of Distinction by the Soroptimists of El Pinablo in 1989 and was recipient of the John Muir Conservation Award in 1986.

Chairperson of the Day: DAVID SMITH
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1992

Director of
The Private Industry Council
of Richmond

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed us and led the pledge to the flag. WIN BOWMAN had a pleasant thought for the day.

Visiting Rotarians were John Coogan from San Pablo, Al Hamre and Jack Mahshi from Berkeley and special visitor District Governor John Klefstad. Our guests included Maria Martinez, a Richmond High junior who was DAN TANITA's job shadow, SID FIELD's brother Chuck (they had to be twins) and CHARLEY FENDER's wife Clavel and daughter Louise.

Announcements: The Kensington-North Berkeley Club is sponsoring an evening at the Masquers including dinner at the Hotel Mac. It's on April 2 and the price is \$25 per. DEAN has the phone # if you're interested.

Al Hamre had a few tickets left for the G.S.E. dinner at Rossmoor April 11. The Norwegian Exchange team and many of the scholarship participants will be honored.

DAVID ALMEIDA had an almost last announcement on the Volleyball tournament on next Saturday. They're having a practice after 6 PM Wednesday at Ells gym. There's a t-shirt in it for you if you join up.

Next week our scholarship jars will go toward the Sunshine Committee fund which unfortunately has been depleted this year.

DOUG "The Stinger" STRAUS got DEAN for keeping all the introductions to himself and not sharing - \$5 for bad manners. JUDY MORGAN was celebrating a birthday and was generous to the Community Fund. It was Architect's Month with both TOM BUTT and DON HARDISON celebrating birthdays on the 23rd. TOM was so inspired by the appearance of WERNER SCHWARZ that he moved to donate \$100 to his wife's Paul Harris. DON was equally generous and pointed out that he was setting up business about the time TOM was born.

TOM also had a message about an upcoming

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50's & 60's rock'n'roll dance being sponsored by the Larkspur Landing Rotary. It's next Sat., (3-28) so hurry up and find him if you want to go.

We had an excellent speaker for the day, Dag Mork-Ulnes, the Norwegian Consul General in San Francisco. His topic was Norway and the new European order. There certainly is a new order of things, he said, with the general division into East and West out the window but that does not mean we should look forward to a "United States of Europe". Norway emerged from WWII much the same as the rest of Europe, with worn out industry and no capital. The Marshall Plan aided the rebirth of industry. Norway has been blessed with an abundance of raw materials and a strong maritime industry. They have access to abundant cheap hydroelectric power which has powered its industry. They have the third largest fleet in the world.

In 1972 Norwegians voted to not join the European Common Market. Dag said this was due to the strong independent streak in Norway and to the fact that they had recently discovered vast reserves of oil and natural gas offshore. This drove a strong economy in the 70s & 80s, but along with the improved economy came a downside - Norway became the most expensive country in the world. When the oil price structure collapsed in 1985 Norway quickly went into the red. But because it is a homogenous country the citizens were able to agree on strict anti-




inflationary measures which are bringing things under control.

Norway is again looking at joining the new European Community, but the politicians wish to avoid pushing another referendum which could again be turned down. They'll proceed cautiously but Dag seemed to feel that Norway should not be on the sidelines in the new European order. Several recent tariff agreements have brought Norway closer into that community and he is hopeful his country will make it formal.

JOHN NICOLS and DON HARDISON took home the fruit and whiskey. And far be it from me to tell BESSIE DREIBELBIS that she finally won a raffle but DEAN decided to be a stickler on the rules and snatched victory from her hands.

JIM BEAVER, Editor

DISTRICT CONFERENCE is April 24-26 to be held at the SF Airport Marriott Hotel. Featured speakers are Gov. Pete Wilson & retired Congressman Patrick Hillings. There will be fashion show at Nordstroms for the wives plus great Las Vegas type entertainment. Room rates are a real bargain. See ERLE BROWN for registration forms.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1992

"Trained Workers for Employers"

ISIAH TURNER
Director

Dept. of Employment & Training

Isiah Turner, Director of the City of Richmond's Employment & Training Department, brings 24 years of employment and training, management and leadership experience to his current position.

Prior to coming to Richmond this past July, 1991, Mr. Turner served in the Cabinet of Governor Booth Gardner for six years as his Commissioner of the Washington State Employment Security Department (4th largest agency in state government comprised of 2700 employees and an annual budget of \$140 million). Mr. Turner also served as the State of Washington Director of Employment and Training for two years. His primary responsibility was administration of the annual \$50 million Job Training Partnership Act Grant and funding the state's twelve Private Industry Councils.

Mr. Turner has a B.A. from Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington, and is a graduate of the John F. Kennedy School of Government Program for State and Public Officials, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts

Mr. Turner's presentation will be an overview of the City of Richmond's Department of Employment and Training, and Economic Development--the connection is trained workers for employers.

Chairperson of the Day: TAALIA HASAN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1992

"How to Buy a Car"

DON FELTZ
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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed everyone to a sunny Friday and, having learned his lesson from the prior week, turned the pledge to the flag over to DOUG STRAUS. DOUG handled the chore with his usual aplomb. HANK COVELL's thought for the day: "Just when I was getting close to the answer I forgot the question."

A pattern began to develop when DOUG was called up to introduce our guests and visitors. ERLE BROWN was with his wife Phyllis, STAN TEADERMAN brought Dave Hill, JUDY MORGAN brought Theresa Langley and SID FIELD was with his job shadow, Sonya Gavazza, a Kennedy High senior headed to U.C. Davis.

ERLE said spaces are going quickly for the District Conference and he has the conference schedules if you wish to take a look. You can register up until April 10 but they do like to get things in ahead of time.

A group of Kennedy High students from the Youth educators program were on hand to receive some sweatshirts and tell us a little bit about the program. Kathleen Lee gave us a nice synopsis of the program from a participant's point of view. She was joined by Denise White. The Youth educators go through a rigorous training program and then use their expertise to talk to their peers about drugs and alcohol and self-respect. SID said he had the opportunity to sit in on one of their classes recently and was mucho impressed.

DOUG had an announcement about the upcoming (April 24) Teaching Excellence Awards dinner which will be held at the Richmond Auditorium. Not just another awards dinner he assures us, but an inspirational evening in honor of some people who deserve about 1,000 times more than we'll ever be able to give them. Tickets are \$30 per or \$300 for a table of eight (you get to be sponsor for doing that). See DOUG.

HANS SHAPER told us that when you make a donation to someone else's Paul Harris it also counts toward yours. Also, don't send money directly to the Paul Harris people but be sure you go through the club.

May 15 is picture day. We'll take the club picture for posterity and one from the

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back for posteriority. Anyway, it's a 100% attendance day so be there or 100 years from now no one will ever know if you were in the club this year.

ELOF no longer has a screw loose.
We'll look forward to a report from DAVE ALMEIDA on how the Richmond Rowdies volleyball team does Saturday. Vaya Con Dios, Que la vaya bien and all that and I hope none of that's dirty. Good luck, gang. We also look forward to reviews on DAVE's performance on America's Most Wanted.

DAVID ("Yeah, I knew I was wearing DAVE TROUGHTON's badge and didn't fine myself") SMITH immediately got DOUG for monopolizing the meeting-\$5 and good call. BESSIE DREIBELBIS was prominently featured in the most recent issue of Richmond magazine and either she and STAN TEADERMAN both put up \$100 or BESSIE put up \$5 over the whole affair.


TIM THOMASON spared us a birthday story but promised one for his anniversary. He had a check for the education fund. ALMEIDA's 38-Special birthday brought a \$100 donation to the depleted Sunshine Fund. DEAN's birthday brought a like contribution to his wife's Paul Harris, I believe.

Our guest speaker was Sup. Nancy Fahden who was with us to discuss wine, health and happiness.. and politics. She had a wealth of quotations, ancient and modern, on the benefits of wine.

Beginning with Jesus, who turned water into wine and saved a wedding, wine has been celebrated through the ages. The word symposium originally meant a meeting to discuss wine. And wine has played a central role in many ceremonies, religious and otherwise. She spent some time discussing the interesting story out of France concerning their rate of heart disease. Seems that although the French eat a much larger amount of fat than we do (in their cheeses, sauces and lard) they have a significantly lower rate of heart disease. The theory is that the large amount of red wine they drink is somehow responsible. Apparently there's a fungus or something in the wine that acts to lower cholesterol and fight the build-up of atherosclerosis or narrowing of the arteries. They've isolated what they think is responsible and are trying to duplicate it artificially. One doctor compared this discovery to the discovery of penicillin.

Wine appreciation has grown in the U.S. and there are now about 200 wineries in Napa Valley, 675 in California and 1,200 nationwide. Nancy's family vineyard, Hans Fahden, is producing Cabernet Sauvignon and is open for tours and wine tasting.

DOUG STRAUS drew the tickets for the raffle. DON HARDISON and JOHN NICOL took home the vino and SID FIELD won lunch in April.
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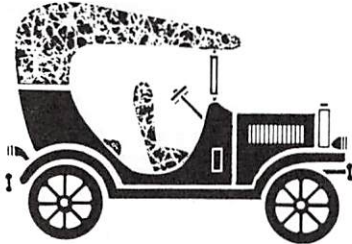
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1992

Anna Kazumi Stahl

1991
Rotary International Scholar
in
Argentina

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PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed all and, continuing his new Era of Democratic Goodwill, had JOE KELMAN lead the pledge to the flag. "Sweet Old" BILL SHIELDS had a Rotary thought for the day par excellence.

Our visiting Rotarians were Tom Casazza from Pinole and David Roman from El Cerrito. Guests included Isabel Emerson with TAALIA HASAN, Bob Dabney with DON LAU, Dave Duarte with DONNA MCCAIN and DENNIS TRIPLITT's job shadow Hector Pena, a Kennedy High junior.

We received a thank you letter from Ruth Rydell who was part of the Youth Government program at Kennedy.

ERLE BROWN still has some registration forms for the District Conference but time's a drawin' nigh so hurry up.

HANK COVELL couldn't scare up enough pedes for the Rotary centipede at the Bay to Breakers. But he had some good news as well. Rotary Night at the Masquers will be July 2, the day after we begin The Year of Erle. More news to follow.

DAVE ALMEIDA reported that our volleyball team made it into the second round of the finals, had a great time and comported themselves with all the vigor and class we expected. DEAN announced several team awards: LESLIE LEVY's son Gabe won Most Dedicated as he had to break a date because the team kept winning. MARKKU PELANNE won Best Use of a Foreign Language; BART WALLACE was awarded the Most Likely to Commit a Felony during a Volleyball Game and DAVE and his brother John won Most Severe Test of the Four-Way Test. DEAN took home the Soarest Person Award. They all win Best Performance and our thanks.

DAVID SMITH was in an efficient mood. TOM MALSBURY's anniversary was duly recognized and a fitting recompense negotiated. LEM WASHINGTON is 70 years young and says he now knows more about life than he used to. HOWARD MARTIN had a birthday and pitched in a couple extra dollars

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so he could relate a couple of bad jokes. FRAN WILSON celebrated his glorious third anniversary. SMITH took himself to task for pinching DAVE TROUGHTON's badge last week - \$5.

Our guest speaker was Isiah Turner, the Director of Richmond's Employment and Training Program. He has the difficult and rewarding job of helping people become qualified and motivated to be productive employees. The Department was reorganized recently so it could better meet the needs of the City's economic development strategy. They are also involved in an affirmative action program to help get Richmond residents employed in Richmond firms. "You need qualified, experienced, motivated workers," he told us, "and that's what we're trying to turn out." A competent workforce can be the difference between whether a new firm decides to locate in Richmond or not.


Isiah's department also recently formed a wide-ranging collaborative arrangement with BOOST, RUSD, Contra Costa College and the welfare-to-work program in order to better serve the goals and strategies around Richmond's new Enterprise Zone. He said they're trying things more "customer friendly", with businesses

being the customers. Some of the companies the City has been working with that are either locating in Richmond or getting ready to expand, are 800-Software (congratulations DONNA), Home Depot, Cala, Walgreens and the Richmond Parkway Project.

Isiah had some good news about Richmond. He said that Richmond has the best reputation in Northern California for attracting and retaining new businesses. On the rougher side, he said that approximately 3,500 kids will be old enough to be looking for jobs this summer. He expects his program to be contacted by about 1,600. Right now, they've got about 380 jobs. So if you can help, give them a call.

DON MILLER and NORM FOLEY won the raffle.

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Anna Kazumi Stahl

1991

Rotary International Scholar
in Argentina

Anna Kazumi Stahl, originally from New Orleans, Louisiana, has lived and studied in the Bay Area since 1984. Her mother is from Japan and her father is American of German descent, giving her an awareness of different cultures while growing up and teaching her to love and trust in cultural exchange.

While in college and graduate school she chose to study literature because she believed that through writing, different societies reach out to and seek to understand other societies. Her thesis, research on which she did as part of her Rotary year abroad, is about the "melting pot" cultures like ours and that of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

She considers a year as a Rotary Scholar as so much more than book-learning, but as an education of both the heart and the mind and is anxious to share her experiences. Her presentation will be a talk about both the experience of being a part of Rotary abroad as well as the character of her Host City/Country.

Chairperson of the Day:
LESLIE LEVY

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 1992

**"There's Something Going On Here---
the YMCA at Hilltop"**

JOHN ZIESENHENNE

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN led a fiery welcome and, in the democratic tradition, turned the flag salute over to PHIL PEZZUTO. WES SEAPY's thought for the day: "This summer one third of the nation will be ill-nourished, ill-housed and ill-clothed, only they'll call it vacation."

GARRETT GRANT made a valiant effort to introduce our visitors and guests. Visiting Rotarians were Bill Morrow of Albany and Scott Covell of El Sobrante.

On ERLE BROWN's behalf DEAN made a final plug for the District Convention at the end of the month. Registration has to be in by Tax Day so contact ERLE super fast if you haven't gotten it together yet.

Thursday, April 16, the Board meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Pt. Marina Inn. Board members are expected to attend and all others are welcome.

DAVID KUCHENTHAL reported that KUMAR BELUR's wife Tara was in an auto accident and suffered a broken leg. We wish her a speedy recovery.

May 15 - mark it well - is 100 Percent Attendance Day and we take the club picture. Where were you great-grandpa? your progeny will inquire if you miss it.

DONNA MCCAIN has produced a terrific Richmond Rotary brochure which explains a great deal about our club and Rotary in general. It looks like an instant classic, an invaluable tool for members and, more importantly, for prospective members. Pick up a few. Great job.

DAVID "That's right, I'm bad" SMITH found DAVE NINOMIYA's picture on the front cover of a nationally distributed magazine and before he could figure out a proper price, DAVE generously bought it back for \$50.

RALPH HILL jumped the gun as well. DAVID had scarcely called his name when RALPH was handing over his donation to the Foundation. DAN TANITA's birthday was good enough for him to start a Paul Harris Fellowship for his daughter. Then there was this HANK COVELL business. HANK did his part to help the economy by buying a new car, and when DAVID tried to recognize him for that HANK allowed as how, since most of the rest of us would reap the benefits of his purchase either

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directly or indirectly, then it stood to reason that just about everyone else in the room but him should pony up.

A note on programs. Some members have found good speakers for our programs and wonder how they can get them on the schedule with our new format. We are scheduled through the end of current term (end of June). At that time your Flywheel editor, JIM BEAVER, will be taking over programs for LESLIE LEVY. Give me, or incoming president ERLIE BROWN, a call if you have a speaker and we will get him or her scheduled.

Our guest speaker was DON FELTZ with the California State Automobile Association. He is a car expert and discussed the ins and outs and pitfalls of buying a new or used car. Don had a wealth of information and the questions showed he had hit a topic of interest. Cars are a major purchase and you need to approach them intelligently. What do you need and what do the different models offer? The newer models are much safer than the models from a decade ago - anti-lock brakes and airbags have truly increased safety. Large cars have proven to be safer in collisions than smaller models, but a newer small car, with its improved safety features, may be just as safe or safer than a larger older model.



There are a host of issues you should investigate. They include theft data, insurance,

maintenance, resale value, crash worthiness, head room, visibility both exterior and interior. He discussed new versus used cars and finding the car that's right for you and your family. Cargo capacity, noise level, ease of entry and exit - all need to be taken into account. Subcompacts have the economy for commuting, midsize cars are for families and full size cars offer the comfort COVELL now enjoys.

There are performance enhancers like big engines and turbo chargers and other neat stuff but they generally cost more to maintain. Four-cylinders are generally just fine for flat land driving and the new V6's with their onboard computers offer all the power you need unless you're going to be towing your other car around. Four-wheel drive isn't needed if you only take it up to the snow about three times a year. The bottom line is shop around and compare models and prices. A good tip - if you can, when you have a model in mind see if you can find it at a rental company and rent it for a weekend.

TOM AMESS won his first ever raffle in the five years he's been a member. We immediately scheduled him for another win in Spring 1997. He and JOHN NICOL, who wins once a month, took home the baseball goodies and wine.

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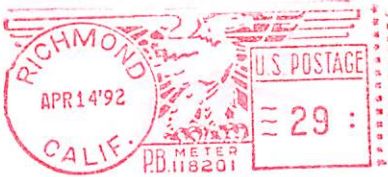
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 1992

"There's Something Going On Here-- The YMCA at Hilltop"



KEN STEIN
ROBIN CAGLE

The West Contra Costa YMCA, serving the community since 1918, has a current operating budget of \$2.5 million and provides child care, substance abuse prevention, teen leadership, family/child, mental health and resident camping services.

After years of anticipation, the West Contra Costa YMCA's Hilltop Health and Fitness Facility will be opening its doors to the West County community in December of this year. The 45,000 square foot facility, located on the corner of Richmond Parkway and Lakeside Drive, will feature an indoor swimming pool, gymnasium, aerobics and cardiovascular areas, weight rooms, racquetball courts, locker room and much more. To complete this project, the West Contra Cost YMCA teamed up with the YMCA of Alameda County to form the YMCA of the East Bay.

Chairperson of the Day: DENNIS TRIPLITT

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1992

"State of California's Families"

TOM BATES
Assemblymember

LAST WEEK

ERLE "The Incoming" BROWN filled in for DEAN "The Outgoing" BARBIERI found the flag and led the pledge. LESLIE LEVY chose Oliver Wendell Holmes for her thought for the day.

JOE BAGLEY introduced our visitors and guests. Visiting Rotarians were Bob Rosein of El Sobrante, Manjul Batra of Berkeley and Barry Woerman of San Pablo. TOM AMESS and MARKKU PELANNE brought guests.

And speaking of guests, JOE NUSBAUM has some announcements relating to them and other things. First you should have received your payment notice for a half-year's dues. They were a little late as JOE needed to sort out the records but now that you've got it, pay it. Next year we will not be dividing the payment into two, so there will be just be one payment for the whole year. Second, attendance has been low recently, dropping down to 70% at times. We have an updated card that lists all the times and places for Rotary Clubs all around Northern California so you can make up meetings from here to there. Two tips if you're going on an extended trip: 1) don't forget the passport book so you can record where you visited Rotary Clubs on your travels and 2) did you know that you can make up missed meetings in bunches? That's right, JOE says, according to the new bylaws if you've missed three or four or five meetings you could just look up meeting times on your handy little schedule card and knock them all off in one week. This is information you can get nowhere else.

ERLE had some news from the Board meeting and this is where the stuff about guests comes in. The Board was wrestling with the membership question and how to increase our numbers. DONNA MCCAIN (obviously the brains in this outfit) came up with the idea of encouraging members to bring guests (read potential new members) by having a drawing. Each time a member brings a guest the member and the guest put their business cards into a box. The guest writes the member's name on his or her card and at the end of the month we draw for a free lunch. The Board approved the idea and it will be instituted in the near future.

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Next Wednesday is National Secretaries Day and you're encouraged to bring your secretary (gender neutral) to Friday's meeting.

Saturday, May 16 is the Rotary International District 5160 Assembly up there in Woodland. All continuing and incoming Board Members are requested to attend and everyone else is encouraged. Lots of good information and activities including some for spouses so bring them too. ERLE has info.

DOUG STRAUS was on fire. No kidding, Mark McGwire had nothing on this guy Friday. There were no official recognitions so he winged it. Started with LESLIE LEVY for forgetting the projector and asking him to bring it. Moved to ERLE for failure to change his gender sensitive stripes. On to JOHN MEDLOCK for sticking up for ERLE. MARKKU for his sweater. DARROL DAVIS for fibbing about lawyer's jokes. People were ducking by now. He whacked all pin forgetters and finished off with STEVE DUNN for not knowing who's responsible for knowing where the flag goes. I missed some they were going so fast. When STRAUS got back to the table little flashes of electricity were still popping off him. It was a sight.



ANNA KAZUMI STAHL, a Rotary International Scholar who recently returned from a stay in Argentina, was our guest speaker. Anna was sponsored by the Kensington-North Berkeley and it would be hard to find a more thoughtful,

intelligent representative of the Scholarship program. She even had some Scholarship statistics. The program began in 1947 and has sent about 20,000 students abroad for study in other countries. It is the widest private scholarship program in the world. Anna was one of 16 students who received scholarships in our district in 1991.

Stationed in Buenos Aires she was concerned of the economic stability of the country before she left, but Anna said that 10 years of democratic rule have brought economic stability and the inflation rate is very manageable. She presented slides of her stay that showed how the old traditions of the country have been preserved among the modern changes. Anna was extremely eloquent and moving in her discussion of what she has learned about Rotary and its ideals and what they meant to her during her stay. She was very warmly received and attended Rotary meetings at a dozen different clubs. She said that what she has learned about Rotary and its work in communities has affected how she relates to her students and their plans.

HANK COVELL and DONNA MCCAIN won the raffle and your editor hopes the Easter Bunny left something in your basket.

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"State of California's Families"

TOM BATES
Member of the Assembly
Twelfth District

Tom Bates was elected to the California State Assembly in 1976 to represent the 12th Assembly District which includes Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Kensington, Pleasant Hill, Piedmont and parts of Oakland and Concord. He was re-elected to an eighth term in 1990.

In the Assembly, Tom Bates chairs the Committee on Human services and served as co-chair of the Joint Select Task Force on the Changing Family. He is a member of the Committees on Governmental Organization, Higher Education, Natural Resources and Public Safety. In addition, he chairs the Children and Family Services Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Tom Bates has carried important legislation in the areas of water, San Francisco Bay protection, coastal protection, mental health, the disabled and housing. He has proposed important pro-family legislation and has authored as many as 180 laws. Prior to his service in the Legislature, he served four years as an Alameda County Supervisor.

Chairperson of the Day: DON LAU

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LAST WEEK

Our meeting was opened by DENNIS EDMONDSON who led us in the Pledge to the Flag, followed by Dashing DAN READY with a timely quote on the levels of respect accorded various public officials...

Being DEAN-less and ERLE-poor, we were treated to the leadership of head Marx-brother-for-a-day DAVID SMITH who, in a once in a lifetime show of unbridled youth, occupied the head table with fellow Thirtysomethings JOHN MEDLOCK and JOE KELMAN...

JOHN NICOL introduced visiting Rotarians John Mace, Scotia NY (who just moved into the neighborhood), regular David Romaine of El Cerrito, and Howard Smallheiser, Walnut Creek Sunrise. Visitors abounded today: Bernice with JACK MATKIN, right hand Maureen with HANK COVELL, Dolly Oshonian and Ron Stewart with DON LAU and Job Shadow with BOB ARAGO.

It was pointed out that of the Bay Area choices for Rotary programs today included Gov. Wilson and Ken Stein; and we filled the house...

BESSIE DREIBELBIS announced the upcoming "Judges Night". This is an opportunity to meet and perhaps query our local judiciary on the inner workings of the law in the Bay Judicial District. See her or GARY GRANT.

Hammerin' HANK COVELL was up to promote the Night at the Masquers, with the proceeds going to the "Y" building fund (July 2nd). He also reminded us about the upcoming trip to Shimada, Japan (October); see him for details.

TOM "Big Mac" MCGOWAN announced the much-awaited Stroll in the Point on May the 14th, 5 to 7 PM; be there or you'll never know what the point is...

JOE KELMAN touted Rotary Night at the A's, July 24th; for under \$20 you get twilight baseball at its best and the nearly World Famous (Pinole) Rotary all-you-can-eat-and-drink BBQ...

DAVID SMITH was up next to announce no Birthdays or Anniversaries were due today; so it devolved into a Clear your Conscience Day free-for-all. Not a dime was collected.

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LAST WEEK (cont'd)

DENNIS TRIPLITT was chairman of the day, and took great pride in welcoming our speaker Ken Stein. Ken began by reminiscing about his original job at the YMCA, that of being the "Bouncer" at the Gym at 33rd and Mac fresh out of UC Berkeley in '72. He has been with the "Y" ever since anyway...

The program naturally focused on the centerpiece of the "Y", the new Hilltop facility. Ken brought a short (8 min.), but very informative video about the programs here in West County, as well as the progress on the building. Programs include Health and Exercise, subsidized Day Care, all in the original spirit of the "Y"; that a healthy body, mind, and spirit all go together.

Robin Cagle was up next to get into more detail on the new facility, costs of membership, etc... In addition to the ubiquitous Gym; the new building has numerous exercise and special program rooms, Racquetball courts, a full range of Cardiovascular, Aerobic, and free-weight exercise equipment, and of course, the 25 yd.Lap pool.




The total project encompasses 4.8 acres and a tab which, upon completion, will reach 8 million dollars. The original monies were generated

by the staff; \$20,000 in '85 and another \$28,000 in '92. A number of local businesses have been intimately involved as well. Chevron, of course, who donated the land, Marwais Steel, Mechanics Bank, and new kid in town Berlex have all been major contributors.

The Raffle was DUNN by STEVE (is that possible?)... Vodka and a Ham were had by DAN READY and DON LAU. Lunch for the Month goes to TAALIA HASAN.

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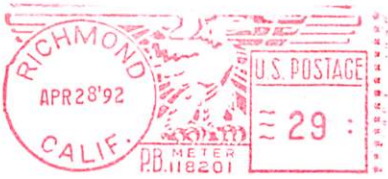
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1992

"THE RIGHT TO DIE; DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTHCARE"

Kathy Cargo, RN

Kathy Cargo has been a nurse for 27 years specializing in Critical Care and Hyperbaric Oxygenation treatment. She is currently the Patient Representative at Brookside Hospital. In that role she acts as patient advocate and as the hospital's liaison among patients, the medical staff and the administration.

Her topic will be the durable power of attorney for healthcare. According to the law which went into effect in December 1991 hospitals are now required to inform patients of their right to appoint an agent to represent their wishes if they become unable to make healthcare decisions. Medical technology is now able with machines to keep people alive who would otherwise die. But not everyone wishes such efforts to be made on their behalf if they become incapacitated. The media carry stories regularly of the consequences of people not having such a representative and not making their wishes known. Ms. Cargo is an expert on this sensitive and timely issue.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1992

Larry Wright
Of The Internal Revenue Service

"How to Guarantee an Audit"

Chairperson of the Day: DARROL DAVIS

REMINDER: Each Team will do Thought for the Day.

LAST WEEK

The day was as lovely as the news was grim last Friday. PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed us all and led the pledge to the flag. JOE NUSBAUM'S thought for the day reflected what was on everyone's mind.

JOE KELMAN introduced visitors and guests. Visiting Rotarians were Doug Johnson of El Sobrante, Neil

LAST WEEK (continued)

Wells of El Cerrito and a Rotarian all the way from "Some Club" in England, Dan Halsted. JIM CLAUSEN, BOB ARAGO and JIM BEAVER had guests. Since JIM BEAVER had a guest he forgot to write down who everyone else's guest was but his guest was Troy Traver, a Pinole Valley senior who was his job shadow.

Mark it well—July 24 is ROTARY NIGHT AT THE A'S GAME. We'll be running ticket information on the game and the barbecue and JOE KELMAN is handling tickets and wearing the A's cap. See him and we'll see you at the game.

DEAN had a report on the District Conference in San Francisco. Hoowee, did DEAN have a report on the District Conference. DEAN could have been arrested for being too excited in public. Several Richmond Rotarians were honored at the conference. ERLE BROWN was recognized for the tremendous amount of work he put into the conference and for his fundraising for the event. WERNER SCHWARZ was awarded the Rotarian of the Year for all of District 5160. We congratulate him and share in his pride on behalf of the whole club.

HANS SHAPER received a very special award for his outstanding work for the Rotary Foundation. This was one of only 25 such awards given out worldwide and that rates one of the exclamation marks the Flywheel gives out on only the rarest occasions. Heartiest congratulations HANS!

The Conference featured a wealth of good information on Rotary's many programs and DEAN'S enthusiasm may get a few more of us to next year's conference in Sacramento.

Calendar Note: July 25-26 is the Rotary International Substance Abuse Prevention Program in S.F. (I think). More information to come.

Calendar Note II: May 16 is the District Assembly in Woodland. ERLE is asking that all directors, especially incoming directors, make this event. Lots of good information on director's duties and programs. Everyone else is welcome and invited as well.

DOUG STRAUS pegged DEAN for \$10 for plugging his old ag school. WALT ZERA was celebrating the 32nd anniversary of his 39th birthday. JIM CLAUSEN found himself on the hook for selling his business and JOE KELMAN felt the wrath of STRAUS for coming up with the "some club in England" phrase.

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LAST WEEK (continued)

Congratulations to LEROY THIEME who received his blue badge.

Our guest speaker was new new assemblyman Tom Bates. Tom had some interesting news, to this old newshound at least, that whereas the conventional wisdom is that the newly reapportioned districts were to take effect after the November election, Tom said that in fact he's already, as of March 7, our assemblyman. Tom's talk was somewhat overshadowed by Friday's events. He had originally planned on discussing families but spent much of his time on other issues of importance in our area and on the violence in the wake of the Rodney King decision. He said the question that needs to be asked is, given the verdict in the King case, what is the proper response. Violence in the streets? Destruction of property? Of lives? It was a sobering kind of day and became more so when we had news of some disturbances around Hilltop and many of our members with offices and businesses there had to leave.



Tom said he would be moving into Bob Campbell's office in the very near future and looked forward to working with businesses on issues of concern to them. He said the schools were the number one priority in our area and he was working on a plan to restructure things for the better. He said his plan was in the works and couldn't be too specific about it but hoped to be

meeting with the governor soon to discuss the issue. He said that with term limits he has two more two year terms left and his goal was to turn the schools around in that time. He hopes to make the state realize that the school district cannot continue under the burden of debt it has accumulated because that debt is choking programs to the detriment of the students.

He does not believe the governor's proposal to cut welfare payments is prudent. The state receives a matching dollar for every dollar it spends on welfare, he said, and all that money goes straight into the economy. Society is changing and we need to change with it. He said that in the near future we're going to need 41,000 new teachers in higher education. Back to school.

WES SEAPY and CHARLIE FENDER took home the Cinco de Mayo brandy and meal.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1992

"How to Guarantee an Audit"

LARRY WRIGHT
Internal Revenue Service

Larry Wright has been the Public Affairs Officer for the San Francisco Internal Revenue Service District since 1983. He began his IRS career in 1977 in the LA District Public Affairs Office and was promoted to Assistant Public Affairs Officer with San Francisco Office in 1979. The SF IRS District is responsible for 2.8 million tax returns filed each year reporting more than \$21.7 billion collected from Northern California taxpayers.

Mr. Wright has served as spokesman for the IRS regarding thousands of cases and tax topics. Many of the cases have involved millions of dollars in tax revenues and held national significance. He has appeared on local and national radio and television and is regularly quoted as a source of official IRS Information in newspapers and magazines, both locally and nationally. He is one of nine board members who meet three times each year in Washington, D.C., to shape national public affairs policy, public service campaigns and strategies for the IRS.

Outside of business hours, Mr. Wright is a professional magician, performing for family audiences and corporate functions around the Bay Area and in Lake Tahoe, Reno and Las Vegas.

Chairperson of the Day: DARROL DAVIS

REMINDER: Each Team will do Thought for the Day.

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN said hello and TOM AMESS led the pledge to the flag. JIM BEAVER had a thought for the day.

Our visiting Rotarians were Bill James from Roseville, John Clinton from Larkspur Landing, Katie White and John Hoagland from El Cerrito and Bill van Dyk from San Pablo. Guests included Sharon Iverson with DOUG STRAUS and JOE NUSBAUM's job shadow, Ray Frantina, a senior at Pinole Valley High. Good ol' DEAN asked JOE what a retired guy does for a job shadow.

ERLE BROWN has a space open for the District Assembly this Saturday, May 16 in Woodland. This is a good opportunity to get some valuable workshop-type information about Rotary programs.

HANK COVELL can't believe there's some Richmond Rotarians out there who would blithely or ignorantly (or both) pass up a delightful night at the Hotel Mac and the Masquers. Yes, it's Rotary Night at the Masquers coming up July 2. HANK wants to reach out to those club members who haven't availed themselves of this fun evening. Good food, an excellent play, "Witness for the Prosecution", and, well, it doesn't get any better than this. \$30 per person. See HANK. Oh yes, the Board has authorized that this year's proceeds will go toward the Building Fund for the new Hilltop YMCA.

TOM MCGOWAN invited everyone to Thursday's (May 14) Stroll Around Pt. Richmond sponsored by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce. Lots of music (3 bands), food and open stores to browse through. Always a highlight and pleasant evening. The stroll takes place from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The new inserts for the Rotary roster will be coming out in July & the cutoff is June for getting in any new information. So if you've changed addresses or jobs or spouses or hate your picture, see JOE in a hurry.

Speaking of JOHN NICOL, he was first up for DOUG "Meaner than You" STRAUS. JOHN was celebrating his 39th anniversary with a donation to the community fund. KIRK CORR was

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LAST WEEK cont'd

welcomed to the world of recognitions with a birthday that brought a donation to the Foundation, \$50 of which was matched by the club. DAVE KUCHENTHAL was celebrating his 9th anniversary and also had a nice donation to the community fund.




Our guest speaker for the day was Kathy Cargo, an RN from Brookside Hospital, whose topic was The Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare. This is a topic that grows more timely as our technological advances allow us to prolong life and to take "heroic" measures to save lives. The question is, how much science do we want used on us? Durable power of attorney gives people a say in the limits and extent of what medicine and the law can do to us if we're not competent or able to speak for ourselves.

Kathy showed a video that laid out several actual case scenarios of people who found themselves in situations where the power to decide what would happen to them was taken out of their control. The video included a discussion of how the durable power works. An energetic discussion followed with several of our attorneys and physicians jumping in with opinions and testimonials. The key, Kathy said

is that the durable power is a vehicle to communicate your wishes when you are unable to. It designates someone to act as your agent and represent your wishes. This is more powerful than, for example, a living will. In answer to a question that came up, if you signed a durable power of attorney between January 1, 1984 and December 31, 1991, it does indeed expire in seven years and needs to be renewed. If you signed it on or after January 1, 1992, it is good for your lifetime. Deciding what clinical measures you would want taken if you were in an extreme situation is a difficult concept for many people to face, but it's even more difficult and extreme for your family and friends if they can't help or don't know what you would want. Everyone needs to deal with it.

DEAN BARBIERI and DOUG STRAUS won the Mother's Day flowers and chocolates and vodka (?) which proves that even lawyers can be good to their mothers.

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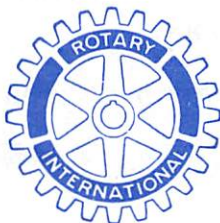
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1992

"Environmental Planning - How to Manage Our Natural Resources"

MALCOLM SPROUL
Principal
LSA Associates Inc.

Our speaker this week is Malcolm Sproul, a graduate of UC Berkeley, who grew up in El Cerrito. He is the principal of LSA Associates Inc., an environmental planning management company, which has 3 offices in California. Located in Point Richmond for 5 years, they have an office in Irvine and Riverside.

Chairperson:
OSCAR LUGO

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1992

"Handicapping the Election"

DR. ROY CHRISTMAN
Political Science Department
San Jose State University

REMINDER: Each Team will do the
Thought for the Day.

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed all and led the pledge to the flag. HANS SHAPER's thought for the day: "The only thing worse than having to pay taxes is not having to pay taxes."

Our guests were Dexter Robison with JOHN MEDLOCK, PETE BRAY's job shadow Patricia Gonzales, A Richmond senior who's headed for the world of banking, and FRAN WILSON's wife Naomi.

Announcements: JOE KELMAN with a word on Rotary Night at the A's. Hardly anybody's signed up yet and we know you're going so please get with the program. It's July 24 and we need to start getting some numbers.

Quickly to DOUG STRAUS. We had a clutch of birthday boys. LLOYD HENRY, DARROL DAVIS and WES SEAPY were all another year older and we hope less in debt. DARROL got a free lawyer joke, WES was a silver 75 and LLOYD may get a visit from the IRS.

Then it was down to business. RUSS SCHULZE & WIN BOWMAN wandered in late for the club photo (were YOU there?) and a certain \$5 apiece. Eagle Eye STRAUS caught DAN TANITA and CYNTHIA BRATTESANI make a fast move on the food line and a \$5 bippy to each.

Then DOUG had something to clear up from last week. This durable power of attorney business which went around the clock a couple of times - turns out the bearded barrister was correct that if a person signed one betwixt Jan. 1, 1984 and Jan. 1, 1992, it was only good for seven years. You'll recall we said that in last week's Flywheel. Not good enough. \$5 each to all the attorneys who didn't stick up for DOUG whether or not they understood what in heck he was talking about and \$5 to the Flywheel editor for exercising his 1st Amendment right to free speech. Watch for the new law firm of Hongista & Straus.

DEAN fined DOUG \$5 for sounding so much like a lawyer, it should be considered advertising, and another \$5 for abusing his fellow employee in public and DOUG appealed to the 4-Way Test and things trailed off in a pleasantly chaotic fashion.

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Our guest speaker was Larry Wright, the public affairs officer for the San Francisco Internal Revenue Service office. Larry discussed the methods the IRS uses to decide who gets audited. They break down into three types. First is the Discriminate Function audit in which your tax return is compared to the statistically average taxpayer in your income range. If your return differs in a statistically significant manner from the average you can expect a call.

Second is the Taxpayer Compliance Measurement audit. This is the means by which the IRS develops its statistical averages measuring the first type. Each year 25,000 lucky citizens are picked at random by their social security number and receive a full, complete and thoroughly miserable line-by-line audit. You have to supply documentation and explanations for every single line of your return. Hummmm baby.

The third type is the Special Compliance Program which the service is moving more toward. Here they pick out certain areas where there seem to be special problems and target them. For example, they've recently found problems with what Larry called the independent contractor vs. employee issue. More and more employers are apparently calling their employees independent contractors, a move that allows the employer to




avoid all the paper work and expenses around withholding taxes. Another problem area for the IRS is the home office situation, Larry said. But they're working on it, they're working on it. They're also getting a handle on the underground economy by forcing banks and businesses to report all large cash transactions. The IRS recently closed a loophole in this situation by making all "monetary instruments" such as travellers' checks, money orders and cashier's checks the same as cash for reporting.

DAVE NINOMIYA and PETE BRAY won the whiskey and fruit.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

There will be a Board of Directors Meeting this Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at the Point Marina Inn, May 21st. All Officers and Directors are urged to attend and members are welcomed.

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"Handicapping the Election"

DR. ROY CHRISTMAN

Roy Christman, PhD, Political Science Dept., San Jose State University, teaches courses on Parties and Elections, Interest Groups, American Government, State Government and American Studies (in the Humanities Dept.). Prior to this Dr. Christman taught American Government at San Francisco State University and Hartnell College. Other experience includes American Government for Foreign Students (at San Jose State), teaching in the Elderhostel Program (at SF State), instruction by television for San Jose State off-campus sites and teaching at Soledad Prison in the San Jose State Continuing Education Program.

Dr. Christman has also written many papers and newspaper articles such as: "A New Electorate Gains Power" and "Political Success Lies in Coalition-Building (with James Fay) for the LA Times; "New Modes of Linkage in California's Parties" for the American Political Science Association Conference (8/91); "It's Time for a Reminder: Nixon is Evil", San Jose Mercury News (6/91); just to name a few.

A few of his many political and community activities include being Editor & Publisher of Towanmensing Times (a quarterly newsletter for Towanmensing Township, Carbon County, PA); Executive Board member for Save Burrowing Owls and Their Habitat (Save BOTH), a SF Bay Area environmental group; and past Chairman of Northern California Committee for Party Renewal and now as newsletter editor.

Chairman of the Day: BART WALLACE

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 1992

"History & Work of GRIP"

PAUL SCHULTE

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN had a sunny welcome and led the pledge to the flag. TIM THOMASON, once he got around to it, had a fine Emersonian thought for the day about helping others.

Our visiting Rotarians were Chuck Day and Warren Trundle from San Pablo, Paul Harberts, president of the Berkeley Club and Peter Jacobi from Lafayette.

Peter had some information about an upcoming Alaskan cruise which District 5160 is participating in. The cruise takes place August 22-29 and will feature a host of interesting seminars. It requires a \$250 deposit. For each Rotary couple attending, the Rotary Foundation will receive \$600. More details to follow.

Incoming President ERLE BROWN, howzat sound ERLE? passed out some sheets requesting your preferences regarding committee assignments for the upcoming year. Please fill them out and return to ERLE asap. If you missed last week, see him to get one.

A copy of the Club roster, as of May, was also passed around. You want to take a look at it to make sure all your information is current because this roster forms the basis for the new sheets in the Roster Book which will be coming out in July.

We still need some photos (for the Roster Book) from the following people: GARY BELL, MICHAEL BROWN, JOHN CARR, JOE KELMAN, JOHN MATKIN, KATHERINE O'DOWD and MICKIE SALLOMI. See CHARLIE WONG and say cheese.

WERNER SCHWARZ had a triple heart bypass and we're sending a card. Get well soon, WERNER, and we'll tell you what DEAN had to say.

DONNA MCCAIN had some club information from the Board of Directors meeting. The plan is still to put everyone who brings a guest into a hat, alright, put their name in a hat, and have a drawing for a free lunch every six weeks or so. To further encourage guests and, we hope, new members, the Board also plans to set up a pleasant little fine for everyone who doesn't bring

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a guest during a given quarter. More on this later.

Another plan is to go back to a previous tradition of having new members to sign their Roster Book with a goal of 60% sign ups. More on this as well.

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE MASQUERS - July 2 - sign up - see HANK COVELL - have a ball - eat a good dinner - walk across the street - see a great play - bonhomie - fellowship - good cheer.

Well, we got the club picture taken and got about 60% attendance for what was supposed to be a 100% attendance day. Your Flywheel editor takes some blame for leaving the 100% attendance business out the previous couple of newsletters. For those of you who made it and would like a picture, see ELOF GRANBERG with \$10.

BOB ARAGO knows a couple who are having a visitor from France from July through Aug. 13. The visitor is interested in learning about and participating in a business. If you're interested in helping him do so see BOB.

About this time DEAN remembered to introduce our guests and BOB introduced his job shadow Omar Fleming, a freshman at El Cerrito.

DOUG STRAUS clipped DEAN for the above - \$5. DAVE NINOMIYA was celebrating his 19th anniversary, after DOUG told him, and was generous about it. BILL REID suffered for his new wheels - \$20.


Our guest speaker was Malcolm Sproul, a principal with the environmental planning management firm of LSA Associates which has one of its three offices in Point Richmond. He pointed out that

there's a wide range of services which come under the "environmental" heading and his firm has participated in many of them. They include natural resource management, environmental planning, land use planning and environment restoration. A lot of hats that look alike but are a little different. LSA operates throughout Northern California but has been involved in several well known projects and developments around West County. They're working on the wetlands portion of the Richmond Parkway, helping determine just where the wetlands begin and end and handling the various regulatory permits associated with all that. They worked for Dame Construction on the Carriage Hills West project. LSA searched for a snake and a goose which were each on the endangered species list and were reportedly making their home on the property. He didn't find either one although they did find a small flock of Aleutian Geese spending time on a small pond about a mile from the property.

LSA also worked for the Gentel Co. which was developing the Pinole Vista Shopping Center and ran into trouble with expansion because of the infamous tarweek.

CHARLIE FENDER and KEVIN DOLAN took home the flag and vodka.

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Reminder

MEETING WILL BE AT
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"HISTORY AND WORK OF GRIP"

Rev. Paul Schulze

The Greater Richmond Interfaith Project has just celebrated twenty-five years of service in the community. Founded during the race riots of 1966, it has responded to a variety of crisis in the community through the years.

It has as its mission the desire to respond to community problems, especially where social and value issues are present. At the present time, GRIP is working with the homeless and housing for those on the lower social rungs of society.

Our speaker, Rev. Schulze, was born and raised in Saint Louis in an area much like much of Richmond. While he spent the bulk of his career serving as a Lutheran pastor to local churches, the last ten years has found him working as a consultant to churches and urban groups on religious issues. In the position as the executive director of GRIP, he has brought a sensitivity and understanding to many different groups which makes up our greater Richmond area.

Chairperson of the Day: MICHAEL T. BROWN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1992

HERBERT M. COLE, JR., Ed.D.
Superintendent

Richmond Unified School District

Chairperson of the Day: KIRK CORR

REMINDER: Each Team is responsible
for Thought of the Day.

LAST WEEK

Welcomed we were by PRESIDENT BARBIERI and he led the pledge to the flag as well. BART WALLACE, our chairman for the day, borrowed a thought from Woody Allen: "85 percent of success is in showing up."

DARROL DAVIS introduced our two visitors, Don Jenkins from Orinda and Chuck Day from San Pablo. DENNIS EDMONDSON brought his wife Phyllis and it was nice to see WALTER WOLFFS.

TOM AMESS had the great pleasure of introducing a new member, GARY BELL who's a vice president with Bank of the West in Richmond. Congratulations and welcome to our newest red badger.

If you haven't signed up for a committee yet, see ERLE BROWN or get one of his sign-up sheets and do your duty.

Also, CHARLIE WONG still has some no-picture people. Unless you want an X where your face should be in the Club Roster, see him soon.

HANK COVELL had some news about an upcoming trip to the Orient. In celebration of the 30th anniversary of Richmond's Sister City program with Shimada in Japan, a trip is being organized to visit that city. Richmond Rotary has had a 12-year relationship with the Shimada Rotary as well. HANK, who's been there twice, says this is well worth the effort and the money. Five days will be spent in Shimada and you stay in people's homes. The trip is from September 30 through October 14 and the cost is about \$3,000 per person. See HANK for details. Plus, no lectures.

JOE NUSBAUM again passed around the roster sheets. The information on them will go into the Club Roster so be sure to check them out and make sure your information is accurate and current.

DOUG STRAUS had spring fever and was in a mellow fettle. DENNIS EDMONDSON and SID FIELD were each celebrating 50th birthdays and DOUG congratulated them for getting there. DENNIS EDMONDSON was in his vacation rags and he and Phyllis were off to see the sharks at Bay Muni, er Marineworld. RALPH HILL was celebrating a birthday considerably past his 50th and the birthday boys had handsome donations to various funds.

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LAST WEEK (cont'd)

Our speaker for the day was Dr. Roy Christman, a political scientist who teaches at San Jose State University. Roy discussed the upcoming elections and even made a few predictions that you'll be able to verify by the time you get your Flywheel. One of the many interesting things about this election season is that California could possibly double the number of women in the U.S. Senate. Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein are in the running for the two seats. Roy said Feinstein will win the Democratic primary in her race but Boxer, although she has a chance, would have a tougher time in her race. He said Tom Campbell and Sen. John Seymour would win the Republican nominations for Senate. The Senate races are interesting because of the advent of the no-show candidates. The races are being run almost entirely on TV. It used to be that candidates went out and appeared at campaign events and made speeches and tried to win votes that way. Then they just showed up at events and made speeches to get 30-second sound bites on the evening news. Now they just make commercials.

Obviously Ross Perot is the biggest news on the presidential election scene. Roy said we could be witnessing one of those moments in American politics when there is a substantial realignment of the political parties. If Perot wins the presidency he'll need to somehow institutionalize his victory with a political infrastructure in order to get anything done with Congress. Then there's the issue of what happens if none of the three wins a majority in the Electoral College and the race is thrown into - yipes! - the House of Representatives.

DARROL DAVIS and SID FIELD took home the birds and the booze and WIN BOWMAN gets free lunch for June.

JIM BEAVER
Editor

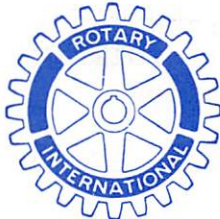
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1992

"Richmond Unified School District"

HERBERT M. COLE, JR., Ed.D.
Superintendent

Dr. Cole's educational career began in 1961 as a teacher in the San Bernardino City Schools. His first appointment as a superintendent was to the Bakersfield City School District, where he spent 14 years charting the course for a multi-cultural district of 50,000 students.

By his selection as the superintendent of the Richmond Unified School District in 1992, he was hailed as a healer and highly qualified financial leader for the hard-pressed district which had applied for bankruptcy and subsequently operated under the direction of a state-appointed Administrator.

As the superintendent in Bakersfield, Dr. Cole established a successful desegregation program using the magnet school concept. He introduced Family Life Education programs at the elementary and junior high school levels, initiated an Adopt-A-School program with the Chamber of Commerce and created an Intervention program for At-Risk students. He was responsible for organizing a breakfast program in every school as well as pushing through a successful bond election to build ten new schools.

He has been active in numerous civic and educational associations, with affiliations in AASA, AMA, ACSA and Phi Delta Kappa. Since 1982, Dr. Cole has served on the Advisory Council for Superintendent of Public Instruction Bill Honig.

On a personal note, Dr. Cole and his wife of 29 years, Norma, have two sons.

Chairperson of the Day: KIRK CORR

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE A's

On July 24th, for under \$20, you get baseball at its best and nearly World Famous (Pinole) Rotary All-you-can-eat BBQ. All money in by June 26. Contact JOE or HENRY KELMAN for more information.

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed all to the friendly confines of the Pt. Marina Inn and new entrepreneur DAVID SMITH led the pledge to the flag. MICHAEL BROWN had a thought for the day on happiness.

Our visiting Rotarians were the inimitable Bruce Keim from San Pablo and two other distinguished visitors, District Governor John Klefstad of Fairfield-Suisun and incoming District Governor Peter Faye of Woodland.

Our guest for the day was TOM MCGOWAN's recently graduated offspring Lisa.

DG John Klefstad led off the announcements with an unfortunate report from the recent District Conference. We had rather more Rotarians sign up than actually showed up for the conference. The district had hoped to get 1,000 members. We had 700 pre-register and only 300 made it. The result was that expenses exceeded revenues. Unlike the government, Rotarians consider this bad news. The plan is to hold a promotional drawing to raise the funds necessary to cover this debt. First prize in the drawing is all expenses paid trip to Alaska beginning August 22. There's also lots of wine and crystal and other items to be raffled. The district is asking us to handle our tickets in a generous manner which can be explained to you again, if you wish, when you pick up the tickets. The tickets will be distributed at future meetings and the drawing is July 15.

JIM BEAVER, the Incoming Program Chairman, announced that we would continue the successful Programs format initiated this year by LESLIE LEVY. The format seemed to work well once it got off the ground. Watch for your information package coming soon. It will contain teams and a calendar listing when your program is coming. Let's continue the high quality speakers we've been having.

WERNER SCHWARZ is recovering well from his surgery and is up and walking around. We look forward to seeing you soon.

DAN TANITA was just back from a special humanitarian aid trip to Moscow, Russia, not Idaho. While there he attended a Moscow Rotary meeting and brought back a flag. The aid project was coordinated by a Kansas Rotary

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and brought several tons of badly needed equipment and supplies. DAN said good old Richmond was looking pretty fine after Moscow.

DOUG STRAUS took the podium to rousing round of something. He attempted without much success to get STEVE DUNN to rat out the wrong wayers who wandered up the hill instead of to the Inn. They were left to their own consciences to put in their \$5 fine.

STEVE remained standing for a birthday recognition. He was followed by JOE NUSBAUM, another birthday boy, who completed his wife's Paul Harris.

There ensued a discussion about Paul Harris pins and whether you had to wear a regular pin with one. DOUG asked the judge, DAVE CALFEE who opined that it's OK to wear socks but you ought to wear shoes with them. Things got loud and goofy and a lot of people were supposed to put up \$5 over the whole thing.

DONNA MCCAIN was at the recent BOOST awards dinner and lo and behold she heard Richmond Rotary being announced as the recipient of an award. As she didn't see anyone else of us around, she graciously accepted it on our behalf.



Our guest speaker for the day was the Rev. Paul Schulze, the current executive director of the Greater Richmond Interfaith Project. Interestingly, in a sad way, GRIP was founded in 1966 during a period of riots and strife in Richmond. The anger and frustration unleashed during that time caused fear throughout the community and into that gap came a group of black and white religious leaders

and members of their congregations. By working together and by forming a hot line and holding a series of community meetings they were able to help restore a sense of calm to the city.

Since then their small, largely informal organization has worked in a number of areas of community need and responded to various crises. These include: The creation of the Food Pantry; helping create the West County Rape Crisis center; helping create the Frail Elderly Project; and working with the homeless to help get them connected to resources that can help them out of their situation.

A recent Stanford study showed the percentage of homeless people suffering from drug related problems is no greater than the percentage of the general population suffering from those problems, the same was true for catastrophic illness and continues for many other problems as well. The one major difference between homeless people and the general population is that most people have a support system of family and friends to help them through these rough stretches and people who don't often fall through the cracks and wind up homeless and having great difficulty overcoming their problems. GRIP can always help with employment and training of people they work with.

DOU LAU and TALIA HASAN took home the ham and the turkey. -JIM BEAVER, Editor-

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1992

"A Layman's Observations and Impressions of Israel - 1992"

PAUL HARBERTS

Our speaker, Paul Harberts, was born in Wisconsin, lived briefly in Illinois, moved to Oklahoma (Indian Territory) in the late twenties, attended segregated schools from the second to twelfth grade (these were de jure, not de facto, separate but equal schools). The family relocated to Southern California in 1937 driven West by the drought, plagues and dust storms that decimated Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas.

Paul graduated from L.A. High School in '38 and UCLA in '43 with a BA in Political Science. He enlisted in the Army Air Force as an Aviation Cadet but did not go overseas and was released in 1946. He established his own business with his brother, Wesley, in 1946. In 1985 he sold the business and retired.

Mrs. Harberts and Paul have been married 48 years, have three children and three grandchildren. His hobbies include gardening, travel, community service, video, photography and writing.

Chairperson for the Day: LESLIE LEVY

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1992

DEMOTION

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN was in charge of welcomes and HENRY KELMAN led the pledge to the flag. JOE KELMAN's thought for the day was from Will Rogers and concerned politicians' unsuitability for honest work.

Our visitors were Tom Prelock from El Cerrito, Tim Southwick from Berkeley and hello Bob Miller who was down from Folsom with his wife Candy.

This month's board of directors meeting will be held on the 4th Thursday of the month, June 25, rather than the 3rd Thursday. Still at the Pt. Marina Inn.

JOE NUSBAUM restated the situation concerning the shortfall from the District Conference. The District needs to make up about \$30,000 that was lost on the conference. To do so we're all being asked to take three tickets for a raffle and turn in \$10. First prize in the drawing is an all-expenses paid trip to Alaska on a boat. Other goodies will be raffled off as well. Turn your money in to BILL WAHBEH or JOE.

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE MASQUERS is July 2. There are still a couple dozen tickets left at \$30 per person. This gets your dinner at the Hotel Mac followed by a stellar production of "Witness for the Prosecution" at the theatre. See HANK COVELL.

The 3rd Annual Summer Seminar Frolic in the Hills will take place August 15-16 at DAVE CALFEE's place out of Auburn. It's \$15 per person and families, friends and kids are all welcome. See HANK on that one too.

ROTARY NIGHT AT THE A'S is July 24. Sign up and pay up. HENRY OR JOE KELMAN will collect sign-ups and money which is needed by Friday, June 26. Tickets and the all-you-can-eat barbecue are under \$20, a bargain at twice the price. Almost.

DONNA MCCAIN carried out the new plan of rewarding members who bring guests. Every six weeks we'll put the names of everyone who brings a guest (spouses and job shadows do NOT count) into a bowl and draw for a free lunch. DOUG STRAUS was the lucky fella this time.

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JACK MATKIN gave his Who Am I speech. JACK grew up in Long Beach and graduated from Berkeley where he was on a national championship crew team. He went to work for Chevron pretty much out of college and has held several positions in engineering and has pulled stints in El Segundo, Maryland, Mississippi and San Francisco. He is currently the Fuels Research Group Manager at the Richmond Research Center. JACK has been married to his wife Linda for 30 years. He has two daughters, one an attorney and one in law school, and a 16 year old son who's tearing up the athletic fields. This is his 4th Rotary club and we're happy to have him.


Both our recognition chairmen were missing in action.

Our guest speaker was the new superintendent of the Richmond Unified School District Herbert Cole. He got right to the point by saying that Richmond is a district that's been violated and he called it a shame. But he believes things are beginning to look up in large part because of a bill that Assemblyman Tom Bates is carrying under which the state would assume control of some unused school district property roughly equal in value to the \$30 million the district owes. The state would write off that debt and a special agency would be set up to sell off the property over time. There is precedent for this type of plan from similar situations in Berkeley and San Jose. The district owes another \$7

million in misused entitlement funds. Herb said the district is proposing to pay that back at the rate of \$1 million per year for 7 years from new entitlement funds. All of these plans would give the district some serious breathing room. There's some other debt that will probably end up being litigated and restructured, including the money owed to IBM.

But the bottom line, he said, is that the problems are solvable and the district will pay its debts. Then it can begin the process of rebuilding and restoring those programs, facilities and supplies that suffered during this crisis. And once again get back to the business of educating children. The district actually ended this year with a positive bottom line and it's ahead of schedule on restoring its reserves. The first thing to be replaced will be the instructional supplies for the classrooms. Next will be deferred maintenance on facilities, although the teachers' union is not too happy about that priority. Unlike the previous administration, Herb said, he is nuts and bolts without the flash. The district has to put its financial house in order and restore a sound and solid curriculum. He said he hoped to come back in a year and tell us about the progress he's made.

STEVE DUNN took home the picnic basket.
JIM BEAVER, Editor

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DEMOTION OF A PRESIDENT

A select team of volunteers, chaired by TOM BUTT, have prepared a proper send-off for PRESIDENT DEAN and will make certain that his term ends as per custom.

Be on hand to hear the "Life and Times of DEAN BARRIERI". Come join in the fun.

Chairperson of the Day:

TOM BUTT

Spouses Invited

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT DEAN welcomed the troops and led the pledge as his days dwindle down. LESLIE LEVY had an appropriate thought for the day.

Our special guest for the day was DAVE ALMEIDA's daughter Angelica. We also had the pleasure of welcoming back WERNER SCHWARZ who was looking hale and fit and almost as good as the picture DEAN waved around of him frolicking on a nude beach.

Board Meeting this Thursday, June 25 at 7:30 a.m. at the Pt. Marina Inn.

July 2 is Rotary Night at the Masquers and dinner at the Mac. Do you have a ticket?

July 24 is Rotary Night at the A's. Barbecue precedes, Bash Brothers follow. Do you have a ticket? If you want to go, the KELMAN brothers need your money by Tuesday. No substitutions accepted.

We had some terribly saddening news from STEVE DUNN. His wife has been diagnosed with a severe form of cancer. She will be undergoing a bone marrow transplant and will need many transfusions of blood. Anything our members can do by way of donating blood obviously will be very much appreciated. Also if you have or know of a residence nearby Alta Bates Hospital, STEVE's family could use it for parking. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

DEAN thanked his hardworking board members for their services this year. On hand to receive some tokens of his gratitude were DONNA MCCAIN, LESLIE LEVY, GARRETT GRANT and DAVE ALMEIDA. He'll get the rest of you later.

It was then time for DOUG STRAUS' poignant last hurrah. One more time into the saddle for a last look around the old corral. As the sun set over cactus, oh shut up. Anyway he started right in on himself, as well he should, for the wretched transgressions of the previous week. You'll remember that neither he nor SMITH showed up for that meeting. Plus, DOUG wasn't wearing his pin on Friday and to top it off he was celebrating an anniversary. All of which added up to \$100 for the Community Fund.

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DON MILLER had the misfortune to be standing near DOUG during the pledge to the flag and that cost him \$5 as the recognitionmeister said he blew the words. On to GARRETT GRANT who was celebrating an anniversary and had \$100 toward his Paul Harris. He also raffled off a couple of excellent tickets to an A's game next week. HOWARD MARTIN took them home.

MARKKU PELANNE was celebrating a birthday and had a dollar for each of his 45 years toward his Paul Harris. WIN BOWMAN's anniversary was good for finishing up his PolioPlus pledge plus some extra to round it off to a nice big number. LESLIE LEVY was also a June wedding and had a donation toward her husband's Paul Harris. We finished things off with NORM FOLEY's birthday and that was another \$100 toward his wife's Paul Harris. A good day at the office for DOUG.


Our guest speaker was Paul Harberts, president of the Berkeley Rotary, who spoke on his recent trip to Israel. The first stop was the small country of Tiberius on the west shore of the Sea of Galilea. While there he went out on a boat onto the Sea for a Sunday service. He was quite impressed by Mt. Herman which is about 9,000 feet high and overlooks a good part of the Middle East. The snows from Mt. Herman drain into the River Jordan which feeds in the Sea of Galilea.

The topography of the area is very mountainous, rocky, arid and treeless. Paul said it was hard to understand how it was called the land of milk and honey. But the Israelis have managed to bring forth everything the land can possibly give and grow an abundance of citrus products as well as dates and figs and other agriculture.

He visited many biblical sites including Masada, Jericho and Jerusalem. In Jericho there is a sign indicating that the city has been inhabited continuously for 8,500 years. Paul said it was remarkable how many relics have been preserved from antiquity. The reason is that so many structures were built of stone rather than more perishable wood. Jerusalem received his highest praise. He said it is as impressive as anything he has seen in his many travels around the world. Not just the physical attributes but what the many people form different cultures have created there.

ERLE BROWN and ELOF GRANBERG took home the meatballs and chicken wings.

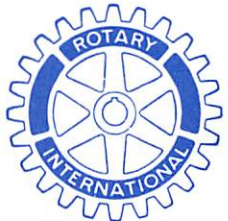
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" R O U N D T A B L E "

No official program, but an informal meeting will be held to discuss Rotary programs.

Chairman of the Day:

ERLE BROWN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 10, 1992

**"GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE NEW
ROTARY YEAR."**

LAST WEEK

And we do mean last. Soon to be EX-PRESIDENT DEAN rendered his final welcome to the mustered troops and led the pledge to the flag. TOM MCGOWAN'S thought for the day was a portent of things to come.

Our visting Rotarians were Mike Cole of Berkeley and David Romaine of El Cerrito. A host of club members brought their spices: JOE NUSBAUM with Anne, NORM FOLEY with Bonnie, ERLE BROWN with Phyllis, LOREN STRAUGHN with Carole and DARROL DAVIS with Marijean. Other guests were John Cross with DAVID SMITH and Les Crosby with CHARLIE FENDER.

Oh yes, DEAN had the entire BARBIERI clan. His dad Pete, his wife Karen, and his three children, Lauren, Dana and Ryan.

DEAN continued his round of appreciation for his board members. KUMAR BELUR for International and SID FIELD for Vocational.

JACK MATKIN received his blue badge.

Our club reached its goal for helping make up the shortfall on the District Conference. Thanks to all.

TROY GROVE thought we weren't looking, but we saw the \$75 he put toward his Paul Harris on the occasion of his something something birthday.

Finally it was time for the DEAN demotion. I think I can speak for just about everyone and say right up front that the gang that put this thing together did a great job. A truly funny and entertaining program that merits the highest marks.

The group, the Committee to do Research About the President (CRAP), put DEAN at ease by dressing him up in fishing gear, including TIM THOMASON'S dangerous looking hat.

Lots of old pictures of our boy growing up were found and doctored to great effect. TOM MCGOWAN'S turn as one of DEAN'S underworld paisans was a masterpiece. JOE NUSBAUM'S

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"Official Street Person" was a kick and managed to slip in some interesting information about DEAN'S roles as a senior grader for the California Bar and as a member of the American Arbitration Association.

DOUG STRAUS presented him with a couple of mementos: a poster reminding him of the No. 86 jersey the intramural refs at UC Davis got him because he argued so much that he regularly got thrown out of games, and a skiing trophy for impacting the environment.

They eventually got around to his hard-earned past president's pin, his presidential service plaque, and the memento he will turn to in future years for inspiration, a year's worth of Flywheels and the club photo. Well done.

ERLE came up to receive his president's pin. The good news, he said, is that we got rid of the slippery lawyer, the bad news is now we have a fly-by-night contractor. HENRY KELMAN demanded a performance bond.

DAVID SMITH and DON HARDISON took home the watermelon and salami. That's right, watermelon and salami. JOE NUSBAUM gets free lunch for July.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1992

1992 OLYMPIC ATHLETE

We will have a genuine Olympic
athlete ... more to follow ...

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LAST WEEK

We're off to a roaring start with
President BROWN at the helm: 1992-1993
Rotary Year is underway. ERLE reminds
us that the international theme for
this year is "Real Happiness Is
Helping Others". If you want to make
the Pres. real happy, help him out!

Good attendance at our Roundtable
meeting (more than group photo day);
President ERLE led the pledge and
GARY BELL gave us a thought about
watching your words before you eat
them. MICHAEL BROWN had his wife
Lynn as a guest.

Reminder about the upcoming week-
end blast on the mountain. See the
announcement in this edition of the
Flywheel for details on how you, too,
can attend, if not for the whole
weekend at least for one day (and
dinner). I'm told it's worth it just
to watch the geese chase JOHN HORTON
around.

The annual Rotary Night at the
Masquers was another success. Only

JOHN NICOL fell asleep. Good food, good
show, good company...GOOD JOB, HANK!

To start the roundtable discussion,
President ERLE gave us a report on his
trip to the Orlando, Florida, International
Rotary Convention. ERLE and Phyllis
spent a week with Mickey and Minnie and
19,111 other Rotarians and guests from
115 different countries. A nice
vacation spot, ERLE says the best part
was meeting other Rotarians and learning
about their clubs. He made pals with a
Texas Rotarian whose club earned a
literary award for smuggling books into
Oklahoma.

ERLE asked for some thoughts on how to
increase membership in our club. We are
currently at 100 members ... a nice round
number, but there is room for more.
Among the suggestions:

1. Get more press coverage for the club's
community involvement. If people see what
we are doing, they are more likely to
desire membership.
2. Sponsor local sports teams for kids.
Same as above.
3. Explain our recognition structure to
prospective members. Prospects can be
alarmed at the sight of \$100 donations
flying about. Explain to guests that
recognitions are pre-arranged, and no
member is asked to contribute more than
they desire or can afford.
4. Have a competition, either among our-
selves or challenge Berkeley Rotary for
membership increase.
5. Start the meetings on time (12:30) so
members can return to work on time.
6. Publish upcoming programs/speakers
several weeks in advance, to encourage
current members to think about potential
guests based on the speaker's topic.
7. Have a "Customer Day" or "Competitor
Day" encouraging members to bring guests
from one of these areas.
8. Identify an individual or friend for
membership and work on that person.
9. Advertise open classifications...we
can always make new classifications.
10. Follow up with new members; keep
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Final note: 1991 was the first year ever that Rotary International had a decrease in membership.

As the meeting wound down, we briefly talked about ways to increase fellowship:

1. Get members involved in social activities outside Friday meetings. The weekend at the Calfee's, Rotary Night at the A's, the volleyball tournament, etc. Bring family or friends to these types of events (they are open to everyone) and have a blast. Let's face it...if you don't have fun with ERLE BROWN there, you just aren't social.
2. Hands On Projects - Our Service Committee is looking for a project similar to the Coastal Clean Up last year that is "hands on" rather than just a monetary contribution from the club. This not only involves the membership in a social atmosphere, but also gets us the press and community recognition we need. See JUDY MORGAN or DONNA McCAIN with ideas.
3. Who Am I? for long time members - most new members don't know who the long time members are or what they do. Well, 1 down and 51 to go.

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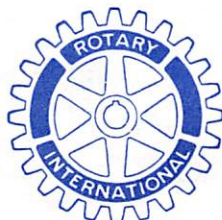
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Trooper Johnson

Member of the

U.S. PARALYMPIC BASKETBALL TEAM

A Richmond resident, Trooper Johnson is one of only twelve athletes in the U.S. selected to represent us in Barcelona next month.

Born December 6, 1963 in Joilet, IL, Trooper graduated from Cibola High School in Albuquerque, NM. He went to technical school and received a diploma in laser technology. He has been a paraplegic since 1981, when he was hit by a car and dragged downhill in Albuquerque.

His goals are to win a gold medal in Barcelona, make the US Disabled Ski Team that will go to Lillehammer, Norway in 1994, and repeat on the basketball team in 1996. Aside from sports, he wants to get involved in community service with disable children.

Don't miss this intriguing speaker.

Chairperson of the Day: DAVID SMITH

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 1992:

MEETING AT THE POINT MARINA INN

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT ERLE led us in the weekly salute. KIRK CORR gave us a thought for the day about some capitalistic mumbo-jumbo.

PETE BRAY introduced visiting Rotarians Joe Cranmer (more later) and George Wayfer from Mission San Rafael, TOM MCGOWAN had his son Greg with him. Greg is on his way to Cal Poly San Luis this Fall, and is looking for a suitable summer job to help pay the hefty enrollment fees.

After a reminder about the Mountain Retreat at the Calfees' (see HANK COVELL), we had an announcement from ELOF GRANBERG relating to the group photo. Seems this 100% Attendance Day garnered a 48% turnout, so those of you who missed it beware of ELOF.

PDG Joe Cranmer gave us a rundown of an upcoming event sponsored by District 5160. Titled the "Rotary International Drug Abuse Prevention Seminar Program", this event is only one of two that will be conducted in the U.S. (16 worldwide). It will be July 25 & 26 at the Hyatt Regency SF Airport Hotel, and will feature many speakers and workshops. PDG Joe wanted us to be sure to know that kids are also welcome to attend, as there will be special meetings for them. The Teen Kick Off (TKO) is highly recommended for Joint participation. See DONNA MCCAIN for more details.

Board Meeting will be this Thursday, July 16, at 7:30 a.m. at Point Marina Inn. All officers are urged to attend and members are welcome. The Calendar of Events for this Rotary year will be formalized at this meeting and will be published in the Flywheel.

That "money kind of guy", new recognitions co-chairman WILLIAM REID took the lectern and started off with some mopping up from last year. DON HARDISON recently returned from a 50th Wedding Anniversary trip around the world (a monetary disaster) but he had enough Travelers Cheques left to give \$100 to PolioPlus. DENNIS TRIPLETT was serenaded for his birthday, his "lucky 13" wedding anniversary was also near and DENNIS came across with some bucks for the Community Fund. TIM THOMASON was celebrating the 1 year anniversary of his public revelation of the "Flying Orgasmic Dragon", another lucky 13 anniversary, and made a donation to the Community Fund as well. With time running short, FRAN WILSON was recognized for the 42nd anniversary of his 39th birthday and JOHN NICOL was tagged \$5 for making the same "stand up" joke at FRAN's expense (again!). TOM BUTT was also clipped for a fin because his name was still listed as Past President in the Flywheel.

We moved on to the club assembly, whereby each member of the Board of Directors had the opportunity to tell us their goals and objectives.

1. JIM BEAVER-Programs: Called away, JIM had PRES. ERLE cover for him. Their objective is to bring lively and diverse programs. We will have two more club assembly meetings (January & May) and want to increase the revenue from the Christmas Auction by at least 10%. Special

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program will be done for various holidays, as well as our usual joint meetings with Berkeley and the Soroptimists. We need to work on better attendance as well.

2. GARRETT GRANT-Special Events: The goal is to stimulate club fellowship and promote Richmond Rotary in the community. Planned is a golf tournament in the Spring of '93, a Christmas Party, and some recognition of Fleet Week in September. Also want to get all members who joined within the last year to work the front desk in taking attendance and selling tickets. Perfect way of meeting club members.

3. DAN SANDERS-Membership: Our goal is to increase membership by 14%. With attrition we have to bring in about 20 people. New, young blood is needed to keep the club's vitality, so let's look for qualified people to introduce to Rotary. We are at 100 members, but several years ago we were at 150. Our average age is 50, we might want to bring that down a bit. Adopting the programs committee method, DAN will break us into teams with a captain with each team responsible for 1 new member.

4. DONNA McCAIN-COMMUNITY SERVICE. One established goal is to help Sheldon Elementary School build a new parking lot. We will also assist with the district alcohol/substance abuse program, continue with Camp Royal's coastal clean-up day. We also want to develop




a "hands on" project that can involve us beyond our checkbooks and increase contributions to the Community Fund.

5. DENNIS EDMONDSON-Vocational Service: Goals include expansion of the successful Job Shadow program to average more than one student per week. We want to conduct a seminar featuring some prominent business people meeting with district high school kids for a little one on one about the real world. DENNIS is advertising for members on his committee, so please volunteer. There are also various district goals to meet, including technology update training, vocational awareness and prevention of drug abuse in the workplace.

Since we ran out of time, TIM THOMASON agreed to present his International Service goals on Friday the 17th. The raffle had WES SEAPY win the chicken and the turkey took home JOHN MEDLOCK.

PRES. BROWN's thought for the week: "Love your enemies in case your friends turn out to be bastards."

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"Mobile Medical Unit"

Leila Marsh and Robert Creer

Many children in West County are unable to begin school on time each year because they have not received the necessary immunizations. This not only delays their education but also causes the school district to lose money when those kids are not in the classroom. The Richmond Unified School District and Brookside Hospital have joined forces to combat this problem and have created the Mobile Medical Unit Project. A 33-foot van has been purchased and is being retrofitted as a mobile diagnostic screening unit. It will travel to selected schools to detect health problems and make sure kids have the exams and immunizations they need to start school. If successful this project could become a new resource for the community's health care needs. Leila Marsh is the project coordinator and Robert Creer is the Director of Human Resources for the RUSD.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

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LAST WEEK

With the pledge of allegiance and the weekly thought dispensed of, JOE BAGLEY introduced visitors and guests. No visiting Rotarians today, but WIN BOWMAN had insurance agent John Nye, LEROY THIEME brought Lt. Bruce Rose from the Salvation Army, and DAVID SMITH's guest was City Councilman John Ziesenhenné.

ELOF GRANBERG had the final say on 100% Attendance Day: Those who didn't attend pay \$5. We're on the honor system, so remember the 4 Way Test.

PRESIDENT ERLE read a letter the Board received from Jean Georgakopolous of Kennedy High School This was a thank you for our parti-

cipation in the Youth Education Program. We purchased logo sweat shirts for the 40 students who participated in the successful drug abuse education workshop.

And speaking of drug abuse prevention, PRES. ERLE reminds us again about the upcoming district workshop to be held this weekend at the SF Airport Hilton. This is only 1 of 2 being held in the United States, and your kids are welcome. See DONNA MCCAIN or last week's Flywheel for more details.

TOM MCGOWAN asked us to mark our calendars now for Friday, December 18, 1992, as this is the triumphant return of the Richmond Rotary Club Christmas Party. It will be held at the Alameda Naval Air Station, with the cost only \$50 a couple. This low, low price includes a full dinner with wine, and a live orchestra for dancing. Sign up prior to October 1 and you are locked in at \$50 (the money is due December 1); sign up after October 1 and the price goes to \$55. Sign and don't show and you pay anyway. Let's all plan to make this a sure fire good time.

Past President DEAN BARBIERI (has a nice ring, huh DEAN?) presented the first Paul Harris Sustaining Membership pin for the 1992-1993 year to LESLIE LEVY. As you know, you receive a pin for each annual \$100 contribution to a sustaining membership. Let's keep DEAN busy.

Carrying over from last week, TIM THOMASON gave his report on our International Service Committee. The goals include having at least one member become a Rotary Benefactor, participating in a world community service project, promoting and advertising the candidate. After commenting on our flaccid microphone that is making hunchbacks out of healthy Rotarians every week, TIM described several areas under the Rotary Foundation heading. One important item to keep in mind is that our Foundation invests your money for 3 years before spending it. The operating costs are paid from the interest, and hence 100% of your contribution goes directly to the recipients. Start thinking about a GSE nominee. More information will follow, along with some possible World Community Service

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LAST WEEK (cont'd)
project possibilities.

With no recognitions, we moved right along with our speaker, Trooper Johnson. A Richmond resident, Trooper Johnson is a member of the U.S. Paralympic Basketball team that will be competing in Barcelona next month. This is the highest level of competition that a disabled athlete can achieve. A soft spoken man of 28, Trooper Johnson gave us a sincere and profoundly uplifting talk.

True to his born name, Trooper has climbed Half Dome on crutches and has pushed his wheelchair from San Francisco to Los Angeles. Prior to his auto accident in 1981, Trooper was a football and baseball player in high school. The disability did not take away his desire to compete. In fact, the rehabilitation makes him realize just how fortunate he really is, as he looks not at what he lost, but at what he still has.



Trooper began playing wheelchair basketball one year after his accident. In 1989 he joined the Golden State 76ers team, and later made the U.S. National Team. He has played in England twice, and most recently competed in the Pan Am games in Venezuela.

The accident gave Trooper a great appreciation for life. "Being handicapped is a state of mind" he tells us; how many able bodied people do we know who don't live up to their potential.

If he could change one thing in his life, it would be the outcome of the 1991 Gold Medal Game versus Canada. Trooper intends on beating the Canadians in Barcelona and bringing home the gold. After his sports career, he wants to do community service by working with disabled children. Let's hope he joins a Rotary club as well, because we can sure use him.

The raffle was won by TOM BUTT, and for the first time in 40 years. . . . HANS SHAPER!!!

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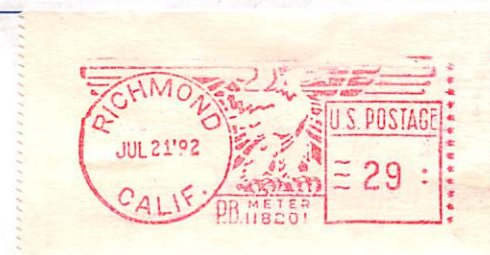
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"The Future Programs of Lawrence Livermore Laboratory"

ROGER W. WERNE
Associate Director for Engineering
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

As Associate Director for Engineering at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), Dr. Werne is responsible for an organization of approximately 2700 people supporting virtually all Laboratory Programs. Engineering provides expertise in the areas of design, analysis, fabrication and testing of a wide variety of engineering systems such as nuclear weapon experiments at the Nevada Test Site, magnetic fusion experiments, laser systems and supporting hardware for isotope separation and inertial confinement fusion experiments, accelerator experiments for strategic defense applications and advanced conventional weapon systems. To develop the technology base necessary to support these efforts, engineering also conducts the research and development necessary to support the long term needs of the Laboratory's multi-program efforts. Dr. Werne is also responsible for leading the Laboratory's Technology Transfer Program which seeks to utilize the significant technological resources of the Laboratory to support U.S. industry in global competition.

Dr. Werne received his Ph.D. in Solid Mechanics from U.C. Berkeley and has been with LLNL for 17 years. He has been in management positions for approximately 11 years and has had the opportunity to work in a variety of assignments across the Laboratory.

Chairperson for the Day: DENNIS EDMONDSON

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1992

International Video Network
CHRIS VALENTINI
Producer/Director

LAST WEEK

Enjoying the delicious spread at the Pt. Marina Inn, we paused to pledge the flag and listen to a thought from JIM BEAVER. Our very distinguished visiting Rotarian was Shuichi Hayashi, Past President of the Ishikawa Ken, Japan, Rotary Club. Traveling with and guests of CHARLIE FENDER were his niece Momoko, and friends Robert & Emmy Hebert. Other guests included Susan Peterson with JIM BEAVER, Lt. Roe with Capt. THIEME, Judy Coleman with HOWARD MARTIN, Jack Simpson with DAVE NINOMIYA and Steve Brown with DEAN BARBIERI.

Announcements were fast and sharp:

- 1) Don't forget the picnic at the CALFEE's on August 15 and 16.
- 2) Calendar of Events was distributed in last week's Flywheel.. looks like a full year.
- 3) Rotary Nite @ the A's tonight. ELOF GRANBERG had 2 tickets won by JOE KELMAN in auction for \$20. Special thanks to the brothers KELMAN (JOE & HENRY) and JOHN NICOL for putting this all together.
- 4) The Salvation Army Teenage League will have fundraising car wash on Saturday, August 1 at their place in El Sobrante. For only \$3.50 you can get the car washed and contribute to a good cause.
- 5) STEVE DUNN gave update on his wife, Mary. She is back in Kaiser in W.C. for a week of chemo, then home again. She's hanging tough, doing well, and the DUNN's thank us all for the thoughts, prayers and blood donations. She can always use more...

PRES. ERLE gladly pinned his first red badge of the season on newest member, JOHN CARR. A roofing contractor, JOHN has taken over the business in Richmond from Jim Clausen. We look forward to the Who Am I? and signing the roster for him. Welcome JOHN!

Finally finishing off our club assembly, the last report was heard from JIM BEAVER, Programs Committee Director. The goals of this group are to work with teams and bring programs that are so interesting "you would rather get hit with a rock" than miss Rotary. Team list and schedules will be distributed next week.

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Casting off the Hawaiian shirt and donning coat & tie, hit man PETE BRAY led us in a robust round of recognitions. First up was OSCAR LUGO with \$100 toward his Paul Harris sustaining for 45th birthday and 13th wedding anniversary; HENRY KELMAN came up with \$100 for Paul Harris to honor his birthday; PETE pegged JIM BEAVER for a recent photo in a Brookside Hospital publication; he then picked on DEAN BARBIERI for still not being listed as the Past President in the Flywheel (shouldn't this be FOLEY's fine?). DEAN was so flabbergasted that the Judge himself, GARRETT GRANT, came to his defense. \$5 was collected from GARY, which explains why he was a prosecutor. Lastly "Triple D" DARROL DAVIS was recognized for sporting a JOE NUSBAUM look-alike haircut. Seems DARROL went to a non-Rotarian barber who had never heard of the 4 Way Test... At any rate, DARROL was celebrating his dad's 86th Birthday by taking him to the A's Game. We all wish him a happy B. Day, or else!

JIM BEAVER introduced speaker Ms. Leila Marsh, Director of Occupational Health at Brookside. Leila reports that every year there are hundreds of kids who cannot start school because they lack the proper immunization shots. The Brookside Hospital Mobile Medical Services Program has been formed as a partnership between Brookside and Richmond Unified School District to address this need. The project pulls together the hospital district, school district and Contra Costa County in a breakthrough health care solution.


Titled "They're All Our Children", this project has remodeled a 33' motor home into a rolling doctor's office. Staffed by volunteer Dr. Andy Wallach and workers, the van will travel to selected school sites in order to immunize children on the spot. This saves time (some families take 6-8 weeks to get kids immunized) and money for the district, as RUSD loses funding for every child that doesn't come to school.

The project will roll when school begins at the district's year round schools on Aug. 3, 1992. It represents an advancement for Brookside Hospital expanding them beyond their own four walls and involving them in preventive care, not just treatment. The van cannot visit every school site so will commence with those needing most help. The objective is to get every child in school on day one.

The project has benefited from volunteer labor starting with Dr. Wallach himself and including the folks at Dave's Camperland in El Sobrante who helped remodel the motorhome. There is not a lot of funding available currently for this project so they need to raise \$60,000 privately by the end of this year. We wish them success.

Vice President DAN TANITA will take over next two meetings while PRES. ERLE is on vacation. The raffle was won by DONNA MCCAIN and DAVE CALFEE.

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Chris Valentini is an award-winning producer/director for International Video Network, a film and video production and distribution company located in San Ramon, CA. Chris joined the company in 1985 after graduating from San Francisco State University and training at KPIX television on a show entitled "Hot Streak".

Chris is considered an expert in the travel documentary genre, having produced and directed over a dozen one-hour programs that have sold in excess of 1 million tapes in the home-video market. Many of his productions have also aired on The Discovery Channel and The Disney Channel winning awards both internationally and domestically, including the coveted Emmy Award. His artistic capabilities and professional business approach had been instrumental in helping I.V.N. obtain Reader's Digest as a client. He has traveled extensively both in the United States and abroad shooting film in over twenty countries on six continents.

Currently working on a series for Reader's Digest, **GREAT WONDERS OF THE WORLD** promises to be one of his most acclaimed productions. "Traveling around the world and working in such a creative field is fulfilling to me both professionally and personally, because it allows me to gain a greater understanding of the world and its people. I'm fortunate to be able to work in a field that I love and experience different people's cultures at the same time."

Chairperson of the Day: WIN BOWMAN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1992

"New Ways to Prevent & Treat Work Place Injuries"

JAN FANELLI

Registered Occupational Therapist/Case Manager
Work Performance Center, Richmond

LAST WEEK

Under the direction of Vice President DAN TANITA, we finally found the flag for the pledge of allegiance. DENNIS EDMONDSON dispensed with the thought for the day and JOE BAGLEY introduced visiting Berkeley Rotarians Harvey Short and Bert Barker. Guests included Jamshied Basseri with LESLIE LEVY and Oaf Wilhelm with TOM MCGOWAN.

After a reminder of the August 15 & 16 picnic at the CALFEES from HANK COVELL, our Sunshine Committee chairman DAVID KUCHENTHAL gave us a report on STEVE DUNN's wife, Mary. Mary had developed a secondary infection and is back in the hospital; she is about to receive her first blood transfusion and will progress to the harvesting of her bone marrow. She remains in great spirits. Also in trademark great spirits is our Past District Governor WERNER SCHWARZ, who also had an infection that landed him back in the hospital. Stating his "funeral is pre-mature" WERNER promises to be back at the club this Friday for his annual \$3.98 wedding anniversary recognition.

A donation of 2 tickets to the August 3rd 49ers vs. Broncos game were gratefully received from LLOYD HENRY and were auctioned off... lucky KATHERINE O'DOWD took them home for an even \$60.

Pistol PETE BRAY pounced on the podium to extract \$5 from Dentist DAN for missing the flag. BOB ARAGO had a birthday on Bastille Day and contributed \$100 toward his Paul Harris. PETE also found a few Rotarians in the local news: KIRK CORR was recognized for debating the El Cerrito City Council; TOM BUTT was honored for staging the longest small claims court trial in history (2 days) in his debate with the school district; and WALT ZERA was noted for being past president of the Professional Business Association.

FINALLY, NORM FOLEY was called on the carpet to defend the month long misprint in your trusty Flywheel. DEAN BARBIERI's name will now appear weekly as "Past President", NORM is \$5 lighter, and the responsible parties "have been severely reprimanded". Justice at last.

DARROL DAVIS reports that most Rotarians followed orders and had kind words for his

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dad's 86th birthday last week at the A's game, which was good for \$50 from DARROL to the community fund.

Chairman of the Day DENNIS EDMONDSON introduced our speaker, Roger Werne from the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. A self-described "non-apologetic lab zealot", Roger gave us a brief history of the Lab and a look into future projects.

The first lab was started by E.L. Lawrence in Berkeley in the 1920's. During WWII the need to develop the atomic bomb was recognized, and the lab administered the Manhattan Project centered in Los Alamos, New Mexico. The Livermore Lab was formed in 1952 by E.L. Lawrence and Edward Teller to compete with Los Alamos in the quest to develop better weapons.

During the 1950's, 60's & 70's, the Lab's mission was to enhance our nuclear capabilities. With the collapse of the Soviet Empire, this mission is essentially completed, although they do have a continuous assignment for maintenance of our nuclear stockpile and keeping track of other nuclear powers.

The Lab's basic purpose is to use science and technology to solve problems of the country. With nuclear deterrence over, the next project is energy. They are currently experimenting with fusion, which could be the ultimate energy source for the world. We have been working on fusion for about 40 years, and probably have 40 more to go before it is actually a viable

alternative. The first fusion reactor is being developed now at a cost of approximately \$10 billion. The lab in Livermore is the most advanced lab in the world in this field.




Another alternative energy source is oil shale. We have more oil in shale than all the oil in Saudi Arabia. A barrel of oil is locked up in a cubic meter of rock. The cost is about \$40 per barrel to release it, but oil sells for about \$20 a barrel on the market today making it unfeasible but a future prospect.

Because coal is expensive to mine, the Lab is working on a system whereby the coal is burned underground and the coal gas harvested and used like natural gas.

Roger briefly touched on the genetics research being conducted at Livermore. Their studies are geared toward fighting genetic diseases like cancer. Livermore's genetics research is also second to none.

The raffle was won by DARROL DAVIS and NORM FOLEY. DOUG STRAUS won free lunches for August.

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Registered Occupational Therapist/Case Mgr.
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Work-related injuries cost American business an enormous amount of money each year. The Work Performance Center is a Richmond firm specializing in preparing injured workers to return to their jobs. The Center goes beyond regular physical and occupational therapy by re-creating the actual tasks workers perform on the job. The Center's staff also goes out to job sites and analyzes job functions to show workers how to prevent injuries from happening. This will be an interesting program, especially for employees.

Chairperson for the Day: JIM BEAVER

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1992

District 2 Supervisorial Candidate

GRAIG CROSSLEY

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1992

District 2 Supervisorial Candidate

JEFF SMITH

LAST WEEK

On a sad, sad day in San Francisco Giants history, Vice Pres. DAN TANITA led us in the pledge to the flag, and CHARLIE FENDER gave us an invocation.

CYNTHIA BRATTESANI introduced visiting Rotarians George Wayfer from Mission San Rafael and Howard Smallheiser from Walnut Creek-Sunrise. An unofficial family day included DAN TANITA's daughter Kim, DENNIS EDMONDSON's wife Phyllis, TED SMITH's wife Carolyn, MIKKI SALLOMI's husband Sam, and ELOF GRANBERG's nephew and niece Magnus and Susanne Granberg from Sweden. CHARLIE FENDER brought our speaker's father, Mr. John Valentini.

The man from the mountain DAVE CALFEE showed up to give a personal invitation to his house on August 15 & 16. After a clergy joke from V.P. DAN, his honor had to reciprocate with one of his own regarding mass hanging out. An easy \$5 for the community fund.

Following an announcement about tonight's fundraiser at Hawthornes for the YMCA, STEVE DUNN Have us an update on Mary. She is still in Kaiser Hospital in Walnut Creek; they have called in an infection specialist, but she will probably remain in the hospital for another week or two.

Sunshine Committeeman DAVID KUCHENTHAL wanted to verify that WERNER SCHWARZ is definitely not in the hospital. He is home and busy scraping up the \$3.98 pledged for the happy years of his marriage.

With both recognitions chairs absent, DAN's call for volunteers was answered by DAN SANDERS with \$100 toward his Paul Harris for his upcoming birthday. HANS SHAPER also contributed \$100 to (guess which program) for an upcoming wedding anniversary.

We had the raffle early, which was good luck for HANK COVELL and CHARLIE FENDER. They each took home a ready to go dinner including wine.

Next up was WIN BOWMAN to introduce our speaker Chris Valentini. Chris is an Emmy ward winning producer/director who has traveled over 6 continents creating travel videos. A local boy from Crockett, Chris ignored his parents' pleas to choose a stable career and followed his dreams into the world of entertainment.

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LAST WEEK (cont'd)

He graduated from the other Bay Area University, San Francisco State, and formerly worked for KPIX in The City producing a show named "Hot Streak". FCC regulations abolished most locally produced shows, and he found his way to a then-new company named International Video Network (IVN) and became their first employee.

IVN produces special interest videos, mostly travel videos for Readers Digest. Chris just completed a 2 year, \$2,000,000 project entitled "Great Wonders of the World". The goal of these productions is to present a view that is better than if you were there yourself.

Allowing us an open dialogue with lots of questions, Chris explained several aspects of the video production business. After a string of definitions (I always wondered what a "gaffer" and "grip" were), Chris described how film is truly a "collaborative art"; there are specialists involved in every element of production.




As a producer, Chris is really the business-man running the show. He does the hiring and firing, maps out logistics, takes care of compliance requirements, etc. Some workers are hired here in the Bay Area and travel with the crew, while others, especially translators, are hired locally.

While all of his travels have been rewarding, Chris indicates that some of his trips to third world countries have actually been the most enjoyable. Since he has confronted violence and danger on occasion, he goes prepared with a supply of vaccines and emergency plans in case things go awry.

Chris explained that he is lucky to be in the entertainment business in the Bay Area, since most video/film entertainment work is done in Los Angeles. However, the Bay Area is a rich source of talent, especially in finding narrators from places like A.C.T. in San Francisco.

We could have all stayed longer and listened to the fascinating stories from this most enjoyable speaker.

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District 2 Supervisorial Candidate

GRAIG CROSSLEY

Graig Crossley is one of two candidates for the District 2 supervisorial seat being vacated by Supervisor Nancy Fahden. Graig has served for 10 years on Moraga Town Council including two terms as mayor. He has served on the Contra Costa Transportation Authority which oversees the funds from the Measure C half-cent sales tax and on the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). Graig is a disabled Vietnam veteran. He has taught Government and Social Sciences at Richmond High School for 10 years.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1992

District 2 Supervisorial Candidate

JEFF SMITH

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LAST WEEK

With a less than brown PRES. ERLE back from the tropics, we were led in the pledge to the flag and given a timely thought for the day by JIM BEAVER. Past Pres. DEAN BARBIERI introduced visiting Rotarians from North Oakland/Emeryville Effie McClure and Pete Muller. WERNER SCHWARZ, back in prototypical WERNER form, had Mane Tschisik from Israel.

Sunshine Man DAVID KUCHENTHAL reported on our own Admiral, GRANT CALHOUN. Seems GRANT is home and doing well, but his mobility isn't yet up to

climbing Cutting Blvd. to make a club meeting. Our best thoughts are with him, and we hope to see you back at club soon, Admiral. Also some good news on STEVE DUNN's wife Mary...she is getting over her infection and her white blood cell count is "way, way up". She comes home from the hospital soon, and we will be posted on her continued recovery.

Our rested PRESIDENT ERLE issued a challenge to the only female Rotarian in the room, BESSIE DREIBELBIS. Asked how many female Rotarians there are in the world, Her Honor guessed 75,000, which was close. The correct guess is 37,000 and BESSIE had to pay \$2.

After some facts and figures on Rotary International and National, ERLE kicked off a project for this year: Who Am I? speeches by long time members. PRES. ERLE was born right here in Alameda and was raised in San Leandro. He found his way to Michigan State and earned a degree, returned to the Bay Area to marry Phyllis and they proceeded to produce two children while he worked for Dow Chemical as a salesperson. This job took him to Cleveland (apologies to JOE NUSBAUM) and Seattle, but ultimately he returned to the Bay Area to join the family contracting business. Visiting Rotarian Pete Muller reminded us that before he retired in 1986, ERLE was a notorious, infamous low bidder, hence the name "Low Ball ERLE".

Pistol PETE BRAY was next with a fistful of recognitions. TOM MALSBURY was honored for a 45th birthday, which keeps him below the club average. We caught up with BILL REESE's celebration of a June wedding anniversary. PDG WERNER SCHWARZ celebrated that celebrated \$3.98 anniversary, which was for 40 years of marriage. A dollar for every year of happiness actually rendered forty bucks this year. Treasurer DAVE ALMEIDA was called upon to note his own wedding anniversary and father-in-law BUD MARTIN's birthday.. both August 5. It was DAVE's lucky 13, and BUD's lucky 67, and this totaled a lucky \$100 for the community fund. MIKE WINTER was married 32 years on August 7, JOHN MEDLOCK started shaving on his twenty-something birthday, and your own Flywheel editor ages 10 years in a week by

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turning 30. DICK NELSON flatly stated that he is 39 and on Medicare, which combined with an upcoming anniversary was good for \$100 to Mrs. N's Paul Harris. DICK also found a 1948 picture of JOHN NICOL in the paper worth an additional \$5. Whew!

Chairman of the Day JIM BEAVER rose to introduce our speaker, but not before noting his two programs thus far were both related to his employer, Brookside Hospital. A self imposed fine of \$20 each was collected, as our speaker Jay Fanelli approached the mike.

Jay Fanelli is a Registered Occupational Therapist and Case Manager for the Work Performance Center at Hilltop designed to assist in getting injured workers back on the job, as well as help implement safety programs that prevent them from being injured in the first place. 80% of workers today will sustain some type of back injury at work in their lifetime. Average lost revenue from injured workers is estimated at \$70 BILLION nationwide every year. Each injured worker averages a loss in profit of \$6,000 to his/her company.

The Center recognizes that if the injured worker misses 6 months of work, the odds are 50/50 at best that they will ever return, and if longer than that, the odds diminish rapidly. One of the Center's goals is to get injured workers back on the job ASAP by rehabilitating injured workers in a "real world" environment. Instead of having a patient perform monotonous,

routine exercises, the Center provides them with the actual tools and working situation of their own occupation.

The single most dependable indicator of whether a worker will be injured or not is whether they like their supervisor or not. The Center therefore includes or incorporates "coping skills" as part of their rehabilitation process including several "common sense" type of things that need to be reinforced, such as the value of proper exercise and diet, the benefits of not smoking and some workable stress relief aids.

New to the workplace are things like carpal tunnel syndrome, up 800% since 1982, a repetitive motion disorder brought on by the large amount of computer keyboards used. To combat this and other new problems "ergonomics" has been born which tailors the workplace to fit the individual reaping long term benefits.




Jay reminded us that prevention is the key. Nothing can take the place of a well thought out and administered employer safety program.

The raffle was won by HOWARD MARTIN.

BOARD MEETING - The Board of Directors will meet this Thursday, August 20, at 7:30 AM, at Point Marina Inn. All officers are urged to attend and members are welcome.

PRES. ERLE's thought for the week: "Whenever you are caught between two evils, take the one you've never tried."

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JEFFREY SMITH

Dr. Smith is a candidate for the District 2 seat being vacated by Sup. Nancy Fahden. He is a medical doctor and is the Assistant Chief of Surgery for the Family Practice Registrar at Merrithew Memorial Hospital in Martinez. He is also an attorney who received his J.D. from Berkeley in 1988. Dr. Smith has served on the Martinez City Council since 1988 including a term as the Vice Mayor.

Chairperson of the Day: DOUG STRAUS

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1992

"The Business Climate in China Today"

S. (Sy) YUAN

Mr. Yuan has been an engineer with Chevron for 36 years and has spent the last 16 years with Chevron's interest in the Far East.

LAST WEEK

Our 8th meeting of the Rotary year, PRES. ERLE led us in the flag salute and DAVID SMITH read a quote from the GOP. CYNTHIA BRATTESANI introduced visiting Rotarians Patricia Jones Bulgaris and Larry Goldberg from Berkeley, Bill Morrow from Albany and Chuck Day from San Pablo.

TOM MCGOWAN had Charlie Warman from Chevron as his guest; RUSS SCHULZE proudly introduced his granddaughter Lara Decker from Fort Worth, Texas, and our first Lady Phyllis was with PRES. ERLE.

Announcements included a report on the weekend at the CALFEES. It was "fantastic", "lots of fun and feathers". Special thanks to DAVE and Mary Helen, and HANK COVELL for all their hard work.

At the Board of Directors meeting on August 20 our Board approved a donation of \$550 to VOSH (Volunteer Optometrist Students to Humanity). This U.C. Berkeley group made a recent trip to Guatemala and provided eye tests, glasses and some eye surgery. A presentation will be made at the club later.

DAN SANDERS' group has the membership drive in gear. All members are encouraged to share Rotary with others and actively participate. Have you brought a guest lately?

Amend your Rotary calendars...Saturday 11/14/92 (not the big game) is the Rotary Foundation Dinner. It will be at the Travis Air Force Base Officers Club and is not so formal this year. See ERLE for more info.

Martinez Rotarian Hank Simonson won the R.I. "Service Above Self" award. You'd know this if you read the Rotary magazine, so be forewarned.

And speaking of being on your toes, Pistol PETE BRAY was on his with another abundance of recognitions. Long time member WALTER WOLFFS was present to be recognized for his 84th birthday with \$100 for the Community Fund. LOREN STRAUGHN said his wife told him to make a "substantial contribution" for their perfect 36th wedding anniversary, which he did at the tune of \$3 per year. ELOF GRANBERG was "three

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score and a baker's dozen" and contributed toward his PolioPlus. Grandpa RUSS SCHULZE is celebrating the recent birth of his fifth grandchild, a girl whose name wouldn't fit in this column. RUSS contributed \$100 to the Community Fund.

RALPH HILL is retired but still working for 8 hours a day, so no fine. TOM BUTT lost his highly publicized law suit...in light of this miscarriage of justice, TOM asked for \$1 from every lawyer and judge in the room. He matched it.

Roster updates are out for 1992-93; save the club the postage and pick yours up. DAN SANDERS paid \$5 for the youthful ERLE BROWN photo, and wants to know the secret. CYNTHIA BRATTESANI also was fined for looking like a glamour magazine model...tough break.

Chairperson of the Day LESLIE LEVY introduced our speaker, Mr. Graig Crossley, a teacher at Richmond High School and a candidate for County Supervisor, District 2. He is a Moraga City Councilman and a member of the Kiwanis Club.

Graig's topic was "Political Participation in the 1990's". He started with an attention grabbing story of being a 19 year old man and waking up in a Guam hospital with no legs. He vowed to become politically active and do a better job than those who sent him to Vietnam.

We each have our own motivation for being involved in the political process. However, 70,000,000 eligible voters did not vote in the 1988 presidential election. They felt they had no voice, something Graig would like to change. He then ran down a list of major issues facing us in Contra Costa County this year. **HEALTH CARE:** smaller regional clinics rather than one county hospital in Martinez; **JOBS:** stop being hostile to business and driving them away; **HOUSING:** average housing in East County has \$30,000 tacked on in various government fees making affordable housing unaffordable; **PUBLIC SAFETY:** Sheriff and Fire Districts in the County are facing budget cuts up to 50% this fiscal year. The budget priorities are wrong.




Questions ranged from taxi cabs, budget priorities, waste in government, and education. Graig concluded that he is a strong believer in political participation and the process, and encourages his students to do the same.

The raffle was won by DOUG STRAUS and Larry Goldberg from Berkeley.

ROSTER CORRECTION: MICHAEL BROWN's street address should be 932 Keats Dr. (not Keaks).

ERLE's thought for the week: "It is better to be a mouse in a cat's mouth than a man in a lawyer's hand."

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1992

"The Crisis in Education and What You (Yes You!) Can and Should Do About It"

TOM BUTT

TOM BUTT will be reviewing some of the information developed in recent and continuing school funding litigation which helps explain the dramatic differences in performance of schools and school districts in California

TOM MCGOWAN

Point Richmond is a tiny (Pop. 2,300) neighborhood with one small elementary school. In contrast to TOM BUTT's top down macro approach to educational reform, a group of citizens in the Point is trying a grass roots bottom up micro approach to helping little Washington School. TOM MCGOWAN will talk about how and why he got involved and, more importantly, how and why you should get involved in your school.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1992

DAVE LAMMEL

Dave Lammel, a Chevron Research employee, was in Kuwait when the Gulf War broke out and will talk about this subject.

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LAST WEEK

With PRESIDENT ERLE's whereabouts unknown, V.P. DAN TANITA took over in leading us in the pledge to the flag. JACK MATKIN had a thought for the day, and DON LAU introduced visiting Rotarians Warren Trundel from San Pablo, Mark Figone from El Cerrito, Mike Cole, Joan Parker and Larry Goldenberg from Berkeley. DONNA MCCAIN had with her Mr. Tom Jones from the City of Richmond and DON LAU brought Herb Cole, Superintendent of Richmond Unified.

She barely had time to sit down before DONNA rose again to give us the information on the upcoming Coastal Cleanup Day. This will be held on **Saturday, September 19....** we meet at Pt. Richmond @ 8:30 a.m. and should be finished by lunch time, when the club will provide a picnic lunch. Bring your family (no kids under school age) and friends, wear your grubby clothes, gloves and boots. This is the first Environment Club Service project of the new year, and a nice turnout would be a perfect start. See DONNA for more details.

TOM MCGOWAN reminded us that the price of the December 18 Christmas Party goes up October 1, so sign up now. We don't need your money now, just your commitment...so see TOM soon.

STEVE DUNN gave us a report on his wife Mary...while she "glows in the dark", she has completed her radiation treatment. Next begins the bone marrow transplant process...he will keep us posted.

After DAN rambled on about Rotary's "Mission Statement" and told a politician joke, BILL REID took the mike to start in on September recognitions. He started with \$5 from DAN for the joke, and moved on to the only guy who showed up on his list, STEVE DUNN. Steve was celebrating 10 years of a good marriage, which was good enough for a donation to the Community Fund. However, STEVE turned the tables on BILL by selling some newspaper articles regarding the Mechanics Bank. BILL matched STEVE's Community Fund donation.

Looking for volunteers, BILL found DENNIS EDMONDSON who guessed he has a good marriage too, which was worth \$100 to his wife's Paul

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Harris. Grandpa RUSS SCHULZE, who was recognized a couple of weeks ago for the birth of a granddaughter, was now reporting the birth of another one...a boy this time. This makes 6 total for the doctor, who barely looks old enough to have any.

The early raffle was won by MALCOLM LEE and WES SEAPY, as SID FIELD was caught leaning while trying to steal second.

JACK MATKIN introduced a long time friend and fellow Chevron employee, Sy Yuan, to speak on "Doing Business in China". And why not? asks Sy. With a 1.1 billion population, China is a source of growth for companies like Chevron and others looking to the Pacific Rim.

Sy points out that China is similar in physical size to the U.S. (Beijing is on the 38th parallel, same as San Francisco), it only has one coast. Only 5% of China's population lives in the dry western half.

While some have the perception that China is not technically advanced, China's industrial capabilities include nuclear weapons and satellite launching. They are the largest exporter of simple digital electric tools, and manufacture automobiles for several companies domiciled in other countries. They produce and refine oil, but China is the world's largest mine and producer of coal.




China has a trade surplus, importing steel, wheat (not all Chinese eat rice) and machinery.

They export garments, toys, oil, fiber and cereals. Trading partners include the U.S. and Japan.

All major oil companies are exploring for oil off China's coast. Sy reports that it is much easier for companies to explore and maintain new sources of oil in China than in other parts of the world. Environmental protection laws are beginning but are nothing compared to the U.S.

In response to several questions, Sy says that foreign investments are way up in China, as Japan is buying up Hong Kong and other areas. While there is a perception that the communist government would be difficult to deal with, Sy has seen significant levels of cooperation. Some of the designated bureaucrats are instructed to make money, and are given some autonomy to run their departments. It's not as tough as you think. However, it is difficult for American business people to compete in China because the Chinese government gives "soft" loans, allowing for no payments for 10 years and then only 3% interest rates after that.

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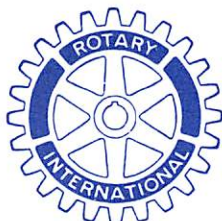
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1992

"Four Months as a Human Shield in Occupied Kuwait"

DAVID LAMMEL

Dave Lammel has been a Chevron employee for 22 years. He grew up in Vallejo, graduated from UC Davis in 1969 with a Bachelors in Chemical Engineering, and now resides in San Rafael. He has worked the last 17 years at Chevron Research and Technology Company in Richmond as a process engineer, and currently leads a team of engineers specializing in refinery process designs.

He was in Kuwait on business at the time of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait on August 2, 1990, and is here to tell us some of his experiences after the invasion.

Chairperson of the Day: JACK MATKIN

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1992

"Water Planning in the Drought"

JACQUELINE MILLET
E.B.M.U.D. Civil Engineer

LAST WEEK

Back from Alaska, PRES. ERLE started us off with the pledge to the flag and TOM MCGOWAN asked us "What can you do to help our education system? MICHAEL BROWN introduced visiting Rotarians Chuck Day from San Pablo, Bud Read & Don Schary from Albany and the contingent from El Cerrito Rotary: Gary Pokorny, Steve Cutright and David Roman. Rotarians with guests: Katherine O'Dowd brought Norma Jean Rogers, JACK MATKIN had Charlie Norman with him (again) and TOM BUTT brought JOHN MEDLOCK's successor at the Boy Scouts, Dave Noise.

Final reminder that this coming Saturday, September 19, is our Richmond Rotary

Environmental Project #1: Coastal Clean-up Day. We meet at the Miller/Knox Park in Pt. Richmond at 8:30 and should be finished by Noon. The club will provide a BBQ afterwards, so bring your grubbies, your school age kids and your appetites. See DONNA MCCAIN for details.

TIM THOMASON took the jumping microphone (this is getting to be like the old scholarship jars) to pass out 6 Paul Harris Sustaining Membership pins for those who have contributed recently. TIM's International Service Committee is currently interviewing prospects for the scholarship program, and he will keep us updated...

Reminder again: Pick up your copy of the 1992-1993 Rosters next to the badge box. Save us the postage!

PRES. ERLE decided to pick on your Flywheel editor's table just because we had 3 past presidents. The Rotary information pop quiz included questions like "Where was the first Rotary Convention held in 1910?" (Chicago). "Who was elected President?" (HANS SHAPER). "What was it called?" (National Association of Rotary Clubs). "First club outside U.S.?" (Winnipeg, Canada). Ten bucks from the table was collected, even though NORM FOLEY had all the answers.

Our Chairman of the Day started the My Two Toms program by introducing the other guy, TOM BUTT. Each TOM spoke on different approaches to helping the Richmond Unified School District. TOM BUTT's approach is the Macro, or top down fashion.

Our education system is in trouble...why? TOM presented several statistics showing class size up and proficiency down. Funding levels are inadequate for urban school districts. California is 35th in the nation in terms of dollars spent per pupil; we are \$30,000 per classroom below the national average.

The U.S. Constitution requires a free school system, and also guarantees equal protection. What we have in place now is a system that favors wealthy parents and districts. Student's performance is corollary to the wealth and education levels of the parents in the district. Looking at the

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statistics between test scores and the socio/economic status of the district, TOM says you can actually write an accurate mathematical equation to predict how a school or district will perform. In short, where you see dollars, you see good education happening.

Some school districts receive substantially more funding than others...for no apparent reason. For example, the Pleasanton school district receives a 28% higher allotment per student than RUSD. Why? Furthermore, wealthy school districts have the ability to pass (and afford) parcel taxes to further supplement their budgets. Lastly, there are the "unofficial taxes" i.e. parents club dues, raffles, straight out cash donations, that the wealthier districts also utilize.

TOM MCGOWAN was next up with the Micro (from the bottom up) approach. TOM says that one individual can make a difference. Why should we be motivated to help? We live here. The community problems are our problems. A more educated populace give us a larger pool of qualified workers to choose from, gives us less crime, and eventually has economic benefits such as lower taxes and higher property values.

Our Federal Government spends 3% of the budget on education and 29% on defense. This is justified by a local elected official by saying "There are a lot of Kadafis out there." TOM believes the problems here and now far outweigh anything

Mr. Kadafi or anyone else do.



In place now is the Washington School "Adopt a Class" program. TOM has signed up 33 small businesses (including several Rotarian owned) to contribute \$200 each. This gives each teacher at Washington school a budget of \$450 to spend on extras for the class, and \$150 each in perks or treats for the kids. This program does not have any large grants, but is being done on a local level. Others in the Point are contributing their time to tutor kids and keep the library open.

TOM concluded by saying YOU can help to make a difference. If you don't live in Pt. Richmond, get involved with your local school. Volunteer time or contribute money. It will be noticed and appreciated.

The question of parental involvement was raised and the TOMs said that while parental support is most definitely important, it is not always possible. Sometimes mom or dad is "water under the bridge"...we cannot help them, but maybe we can give their kids a good role model and set them on the right track.

The raffle was won by TOM MALSBURY and CHARLIE WONG...CHARLIE threw his back and the prize was won by HANK COVELL.

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"Water Planning in the Drought"

JACQUELINE MILLET
East Bay Municipal Utilities District

Jackie Millet is an EBMUD associate civil engineer currently responsible for water supply alternatives technical and economic analysis. She leads the teams working on conservation, reclamation, water quality and drought management related to the District's long-term water supply program planning. This has involved innovative approaches to drought planning, future water user patterns, and detailed analysis of consumer habits and responses to conservation and drought situations.

Earlier, she provided engineering designs and specifications for water treatment facilities at EBMUD, for seawall outfall structures while with Woodward-Clyde, and for SMUD's water resource planning while with Tudor Engineers. She has a BS in Civil Engineering from California Polytechnical State University and studies at both the University of London and St. Andrew's University, Scotland.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1992

"Automobile Insurance Fraud"

PAUL W. DREWITZK
General Counsel
California State Automobile Association

IN MEMORIAM

GEORGE JOHNSTON,
long time Richmond Rotarian, passed away September 2, 1992. GEORGE joined Rotary in 1938 and was club president in 1957-58. His wife donated his dues for this year to the community fund.

LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT ERLE "THE PEARL" greeted one and the rest and led the pledge to the flag. JACK MATKIN had a thought for the day from that old real estate developer Atilla the Hun. Past President TOM BUTT introduced our visiting Rotarians and they were John Clinton of Larkspur Landing (and, TOM pointed out, of Interactive Resources), Gary Pokorny of El Cerrito, Dick Cotter of Oakland and Bill Ellis of El Cerrito.

We'll be looking for a report on last Saturday's Coastal Clean-up. This was the second year we've participated and 25-30 members had signed up. TIM THOMASON reminded us that the Rotary International District 5160 Rotary Foundation Dinner will be held Saturday, November 14 at the Travis Air Force Base Officers Club. The evening starts with a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. A silent auction of classy items will be part of the event. See TIM for details and tickets. It's \$25 per person.

According to the District Governor's most recent newsletter our club is at the very bottom of the entire district in average attendance. In June we averaged 62 percent and August wasn't much better at 69 percent. In ERLE's words, this simply is unacceptable. Some things to remember:

- Make sure you're checked in properly when you get to the meeting.
- If you know you're going to miss a meeting, please remember there are many Rotary clubs that meet in West County and throughout the East Bay. We have cards listing the times and places of all of them.
- But the most important thing you can do is to please ATTEND THE FRIDAY MEETINGS. Rotary is a commitment to service above self and a major part of that commitment is attendance.

Let's work to bring attendance back up.

We have members from both the Salvation Army and the Richmond Rescue Mission. Both those organizations have approached our club about donating canned goods for the holiday season. The Board wholeheartedly endorsed this request. Club members are being asked to

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donate a case of canned or dry goods to this effort. ERLE said he would donate \$100 to the community fund to purchase canned goods if the membership comes up with the equivalent of 40 cases of canned foods. GARRETT GRANT offered to do the same. The donated goods will be divided equally between the two organizations.




Continuing his practice of having our more senior members introduce themselves to our newer members, ERLE introduced ELOF GRANBERG for a Who Am I? ELOF was born in Sweden in 1919 and came to Canada to homestead around 1926. For \$5 homesteaders received 160 acres of wooded land and if they improved it and lived on it they would get the deed after five years. ELOF remembers it was cold. When the war came ELOF joined the Army. He was wounded and ended up marrying his physical therapist. After the war he tried farming and logging and eventually wound up in manufacturing. He's been in Richmond since the 50s and currently is running the company he previously sold and then bought back.

Our guest speaker was David Lammel who works for Chevron Research and was in Kuwait when Iraq invaded in August 1990. David said he is often asked why he didn't leave Kuwait in the days leading up to the invasion. The answer is that there simply wasn't much of a sense of urgency about the invasion, no one apparently really thought Iraq would do it. He first learned that the invasion was on when the hotel staff called

and told him not to leave the hotel. Within a few hours Iraqi soldiers were on the beach in front of the hotel. Kuwait is a small country, about 100 miles across, and there was no resistance to the invasion. The next 2½ weeks were quiet, only sporadic gunfire and they even got out of the hotel a couple of times. On August 19 David and a group of other Westerners were taken to a palace belonging to a member of the Kuwait royal family and were served dinner by gun-toting Iraqi soldiers. Later that day the palace was completely looted. They were then taken to another palace where they spent the next 100 days.

At this point they were apparently human shields for the nearby military base. There were 44 Western hostages in the group including 17 women and 2 children. The women and children were released a week or so later. September and October passed quietly but the food was bad and their physical and mental condition was deteriorating. About this time Saddam gave in to some strong warnings from President Bush and conditions improved. After Thanksgiving they were moved into Baghdad and spread around to militarily sensitive sites to act as human shields. On December 6 Saddam announced all hostages would be freed. By December 9 he was on an Iraqi charter flight to Germany and home Dec. 11.

The raffle was won by DEAN BARBIERI and BILL REID.
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1992

"Automobile Insurance Fraud"

PAUL W. DREWITZK
Vice President and General Counsel
California State Automobile Association

Mr. Drewitzk was raised in Pennsylvania and received a BA degree in Political Science in 1963 from Wheeling Jesuit College in Wheeling, West Virginia. He came west and in 1969 graduated from the University of San Francisco School of Law. His early career included employee and labor relations, serving as a judicial arbitrator for the San Francisco Superior Court and as arbitrator on the Commercial Panel of the American Arbitration Association.

Mr. Drewitzk will speak about the problem of automobile insurance fraud, its cost to each of us and possible solutions.

Chairperson of the Day: DON HARDISON

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1992

REMINDER

WE MEET AT THE POINT MARINA INN

"Basketball"

Head basketball coach, Ernie Kent, of St. Mary's College, and one of his basketball players will discuss their program.

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SIGN UP NOW FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY



The revival of an old tradition will take place on Friday, December 18, 1992 at the Officers Club, Alameda Air Station. Only \$55 for a full dinner and dancing.

Don't delay!

LAST WEEK

As the microphone slammed us to attention, PRES. ERLE led the pledge and JIM BEAVER had a thought for the day regarding children. OSCAR LUGO introduced visiting Rotarians George Afaro from El Sobrante and John Fleming from El El Cerrito. HENRY KELMAN's guests were Jacqueline Millet, John Gioia and Terry Powell from East Bay M.U.D.

Groans aside after ERLE's jokes, it was announced that our own 80 year old GERRY CULLEN will be running a marathon in Portland, Oregon in two weeks, and then one in Humboldt County. Keep it up, GERRY.

One case down and 39 to go...remember to bring in those cases of canned goods for our donations to the Rescue Mission and Salvation Army.

The Coastal Clean Up was a "big success" and "lots of fun". Kudos to DONNA MCCAIN and her group for a great job.

Sunshine man DAVID KUCHENTHAL reported that STEVE DUNN's wife Mary is back in the hospital. She has completed the bone marrow transplant, but is undergoing intense radiation and has developed another infection. Remember, she still needs blood donations along with our good thoughts and prayers.

DAN SANDERS made a quick announcement regarding his Membership Committee. We have been divided into teams ala Programs Committee, and each team is responsible for bringing in a member. Lists will be distributed by captains...keep bringing those guests.

CYNTHIA BRATTESANI passed around sign-up sheets for the Job Shadow Program. This is a very worthwhile program unique to Richmond Rotary. For many of the local high school kids it is their first chance to see what real businesses are like. If you haven't done it before, sign up and see what it's all about.

Mr. Cardinal (Indian?) BILL REID took the podium and promptly recognized LEROY THIEME for his 38th birthday, collecting some bucks for the Community Fund. DAVE KUCHENTHAL turned the FOUR-OH, and celebrated by shaving his 21 year old mustache (guess nobody asks him for his ID anymore). DAVE contributed

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\$40 to the Community Fund. CYNTHIA BRATTESANI marked her first wedding anniversary with \$100 toward her Paul Harris. HANK COVELL followed suit with \$100 toward Doreen's Paul Harris for his 57th birthday. BART WALLACE combined a birthday and anniversary for a donation "while I still have the money." Lastly, BILL established the "Crying Towel Fund" for PRES. ERLE. Seems BILL and ERLE and anybody else who wants to join in will contribute \$5 for each game the Cal Bears lose this season. How much for the Big Game?

Pointing out that we are in our 7th year of drought, JIM BEAVER introduced a very timely and interesting program "Water Conservation, Reclamation and Drought Management".

East Bay MUD representative Jackie Millet took us through a slide show indicating where we are and what we need to do to keep conserving water. EBMUD serves about 1.2 million customers in 35 cities and communities. Most of the customers are residential, and most of the water used is inside the home. EBMUD makes available to all of its customers free conservation kits. These kits include the dams for large toilet tanks, low flow shower heads, and tips on water conservation. They also assist with landscape design for droughttolerant plants that still look great.

Commercial customers can also seek assistance from EBMUD. The largest commercial user, Chevron, has instituted a reclamation program at the refinery, saving 20,000 gallons a day. This water is offered to contractors and others who can utilize reclaimed water.

On the bright side, we have exceeded our conservation goals for 4 years. However, if the drought persists, 25% rationing will have to be implemented district-wide.




Our district representative John Gioia brought us to to date on a November hearing regarding our water rights to the Mokelumne River. We currently have rights to 325 million gallons a day, but John expects this to be reduced so that sufficient levels can be preserved for fish flow. John then discussed the pros and cons of the newly proposed underground storage. Gioia favors increasing the capacity of Pardee Reservoir. The final vote on the Environmental Impact Report will be next year.

The raffle was won by JOE KELMAN and DEAN BARBIERI (again).

SPECIAL NOTE: Effective October 1, 1992, the rates for our lunches will be increased. Lunch will now be \$11; the salad bar \$7.

Hey, do you want the booze back? Raffle ticket sales are slow. Keep in mind this \$1 a week goes into the Community Fund. Take a chance...spend a buck!

-DAVID SMITH, Editor

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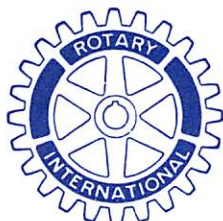
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1992

*****REMINDER*****

MEETING AT PT. MARINA INN

"St. Mary's Basketball Program"

ERNIE KENT, Head Coach, and one of his players, MAHERSHALA GILMORE, guard, will discuss the football program at St. Mary's College.

Ernie Kent, a 1977 graduate of Oregon with a degree in Community Service and Public Affairs, began his coaching career in 1977 as the head coach of the University of Oregon Freshman team and then moved on to O'Hara Catholic School in Eugene the following season as head coach. From 1980-1987 Kent and his family lived in Saudi Arabia. He was the head coach for the al-Khaleej Club in Sayhat from '80-'82 and '85-'86. In each of the three years he coached, his teams advanced to the playoffs, the Gulf Championships.

Kent was an assistant coach at Colorado State University. In his two years there he was part of a staff which was able to accomplish goals that no other CSU team had achieved, back-to-back post-season appearances. As assistant coach at Standord University, Kent was an integral part in the Cardinal success as they were invited to the National Invitational Tournament the past two seasons capturing the championship in 1991.

Hired on March 14, 1991, Ernie Kent is the 25th head coach in SMC's storied basketball history, dating back to 1908.

Mahershala Gilmore, a freshman at SMC majoring in Communications, is a 1992-93 Gael newcomer, #23, guard, is an outstanding athlete out of Mt. Eden High School in Hayward.

Chairperson for the Day: DEAN BARBIERI

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1992

"Update on Violence Prevention in Schools"

LAST WEEK

With the first fall rain, we were led by the BROWNS: ERLE with the pledge and MICHAEL with the Thought for the Day.

WIN BOWMAN introduced visiting Rotarians Paul Soltow from San Pablo and Howard Smallheiser from Walnut Creek. Guests included TOM MALSURY's job shadow, Ray Wiler, a student at El Cerrito High School. Sandy Good was with BART WALLACE, Charlie Orman with JACK MATKIN and Kirk Taylor with LEM WASHINGTON and HANK COVELL.

The new lectern was hand crafted by JOE KELMAN and was received better than ERLE's jokes. We are up to 7 cases of canned goods. ERLE reports that \$15 should buy an average case, so we will take cash donations.

JOE NUSBAUM made a pitch for the upcoming GRIP hunger Walk. With GRIP taking the responsibility of the Super Kitchen, they need all the help we can give them. MALCOLM LEE made a pitch for the upcoming 10/31 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. Only \$5 and you get to meet all the local mayors. See MALCOLM for tickets.

Old member DON LAU introduced new member HERB COLE, Superintendent of the Richmond Unified School District. HERB stated he wants to become active in the Richmond community, and we can't think of a better way to start. Welcome HERB!

STEVE DUNN gave us an update on Mary..there are some signs that the bone marrow transplant took, but she is still at a critical juncture.

Lots of recognitions with BILL REID at the helm. MARKKU PELANNE celebrated his recent anniversary with a donation to PolioPlus. GARY BELL turned 30-something and verified that yes, we do accept cash for the Community Fund. CHARLIE FENDER marked his Golden 50th Wedding Anniversary (congrats!) with \$100. JACK HORTON had the 32nd anniversary of his 39th birthday. DOUG STRAUS donated to the Community Fund for his birthday and STAN TEADERMAN was also recognized with a \$100 PolioPlus contribution. Lastly, WALT ZERA contributed \$2/year for his anniversary.

DON HARDISON introduced our speaker, Mr. Paul Drewitzk, General Counsel for the California State Auto Association (CSAA).

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Paul became the chief lawyer for the insurer a few weeks prior to the passage of Proposition 103 in 1988, and has been wrestling with it ever since. Paul says that California auto insurance rates are higher than they have to be. Since 1980, premiums have increased 103.2%, more than 50% higher than the national average. Due to high costs, at least 25% of the drivers on the road are without insurance.

Why are rates so high? First, you have to realize that insurance, like most consumer products, is a "cost pass through mechanism". The more the carriers pay in claims, the more they charge us. Auto repair costs are very high. Because parts are not as competitive as some other items, the hood of a Ford costs about the same as a top of the line refrigerator.

Although it cannot be proven scientifically, fraud is also a significant factor in insurer costs. Fraud is defined by Paul as everything from exaggerating or embellishing a legitimate claim to out and out staged accidents for profit. Paul read us a deposition involving such a "ring" giving insight to just how sophisticated and businesslike these operations can get.

Insurance companies estimate at 15-20% of the claims they pay involve fraud. This translates to \$2-4 billion annually.

Attorney involvement is a factor, as there is a positive correlation between attorney involvement and the claim of neck injury. In 1980, 33%

of the auto claims involved injuries; in 1990 the figure is 45%. Yet, cars are safer now. What gives?




"Lawyers have to live, too", says Paul. Also, the insurance industry is also partly to blame, particularly in cases where they roll over and settle rather than fight probable fraudulent claims.

Bottom line: It's a problem for everybody, and we all must understand how the system works before it can be corrected.

The raffle was won by EARNIE CLEMENTS and CHARLIE WONG. BILL REID won free lunches for a month.

REMINDER... JACK HORTON and his group will be in the lobby the next couple of meetings signing up Rotarians for the December 18, 1992, Christmas Party. Sign up now, because if we cannot get enough commitments, we cannot make it work. Check your calendar, check with your spouse, and if you can make it, do it!

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"Early Childhood Mental Health Program"

ARLETTE MERRITT, Executive Director
MARGARET SCHAUS, Immediate Past President

The Early Childhood Mental Health Program was started in 1974 to address the need of emotionally disturbed youngsters. In 1983 the organization was separately incorporated and became a United Way program. ECMH runs several programs including the Therapeutic Nursery School Program aimed at emotionally disturbed children aged 2½ to 5½; the Infant/Parent Program in which therapists come into homes to help with situations where an infant is in danger of becoming emotionally disturbed because of abuse or neglect; and the Infant Bond Program which is aimed at children who are born with drugs in their system and are at risk for becoming emotionally disturbed.

Arlette Merritt has been with the program since 1983 and is currently the executive director. Margaret Schaus has served with the program for seven years and has held several positions on the board including two years as president.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1992

"District Governor's Visit"

H. PETER FAYE
District Governor, District 5160

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT ERLE welcomed the gang to the Pt. Marina Inn and led the pledge to the flag. MIKE BROWN had a thought for the day and DEAN BARBIERI would like to thank him for that.

We had no visiting Rotarians and so CHARLIE FENDER introduced our guests who included TOM BUTT's job shadow Armando Guzman, a Richmond High Senior, Erik Granberg with DAN READY and Ken Miller with BOB ARAGO.

CARL REHFUSS, long-time Richmond Rotarian, passed away this past week, he was 94. CARL joined Rotary in 1944; he was president in 1952-53 and District Governor in 1967-68. CARL was the refinery manager at Chevron USA. And as CHARLIE WONG pointed out, CARL was a gentle, firm and unassuming man who served as a mentor to many a club president. A memorial service was held Monday at Wilson & Kratzer. The club has established the CARL REHFUSS Memorial Fund to which donations may be made.

WERNER SCHWARZ announced that the Annual Rotary Foundation Dinner will be held Saturday, Nov. 14 at Travis Air Force Base. The event gets underway at 6:30 p.m. and the club has a table. The price is \$25 per person. See WERNER for further details.

The canned goods drive to benefit the Salvation Army and the Richmond Rescue Mission continues. ERLE's bringing in a thermometer this week to keep track of how we're doing on our way to 40 cases. You may also donate \$15 to the drive which will buy a case of canned food. Either way, make sure ERLE knows what you're up to.

Holy Cow, it's time to start planning for the Reno Trip again. This year's trip takes place Sunday-Monday, Jan. 10-11. It's \$190 for a single room and \$180 if you want to double up. You've got one month to sign up. See JOHN NICOL or HANK COVELL and if you're undecided talk to RALPH HILL, a trip "casualty" who can fill you in on what a blistering good time you'll have. We're staying at the El Dorado.

HANK COVELL brought word from the Pinole Rotary that they're having a Fun Run and Walkathon on Sunday, Oct. 18. Proceeds will go toward the club's drug program. See HANK if you want to run.

"DOWNTOWN" PETE BRAY looked out over the

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the crowd and found Birthday Boy JOE BAGLEY who was all of 41 recently. He donated \$100 to his Paul Harris and then offered to pay \$10 to get his classification changed to reflect what he really does. This may result in PETE having further discussions with JOE NUSBAUM.

KEVIN DOLAN's 18th anniversary also brought \$100 to his Paul Harris and KUMAR BELUR's 32nd anniversary brought a donation to son's Paul Harris.

ERLE pointed out that although he did not wear a red and white necktie in honor of Stanford's amazing victory over Notre Dame, he did wear a red and white shirt - with some blue in it. He offered up \$5 for Stanford's victory and looked around for BILL REID.

Chairman for the Day, DEAN "Former El Presidente" BARBIERI introduced our guest speakers, St. Mary's basketball head coach Ernie Kent and team member Mahershala Gilmore. I do believe that if Ernie Kent can coach basketball as brilliantly as he speaks, St. Mary's has the NCAA locked up this year. An inspiring, dynamic individual to say the least.




When Ernie Kent got the position as head coach at St. Mary's, he was one of 100 who applied for the job, he realized his first job was to turn the basketball program completely around, both academically and on the court. He hired a top-notch staff, both in terms of basketball experience and academic

achievement. Coach Ken has created a remarkable program designed to teach his athletes living skills in the real world of business. He makes it clear to them that there is only one Michael Jordan and they are not him. His goal is that they will come away from St. Mary's with the skills to be a success in whatever they choose to do and that the celebrity they earn playing basketball is simply a part of their overall resume.

When it came to what he expects from this team, he expects a lot. The team he has now is going to take St. Mary's to the next level of play, where they can compete against Cal and Stanford. But even more remarkably, he said the current team is one player, one outstanding player, from moving to the very top levels of Division I college play.

Speaking to our club is part of the skills program Coach Kent has set up for his players, a program that includes public speaking. A 6'2" freshman, Mahershala Gilmore, said the primary motivation for choosing St. Mary's was that Coach Kent spent more time pushing the academic program as he did hyping the basketball program. "I saw that St. Mary's was going to be good for me because I knew I would graduate from this school," he said. Coach Kent has raised the academic rating of the basketball team from 2.0 to 2.6 and his goal is to be the top rated athletic program at the school.

DONNA MCCAIN & PETE BRAY took home the cokes and the apertif. -JIM BEAVER, Acting Editor-

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"District Governor's Visit"



H. PETER FAYE
Rotary Club of
Woodland, California

GOVERNOR
DISTRICT 5160
1992-93

**Spouses
and
Guests
Welcome.**

Peter joined Rotary in November 1962 with the classification of Agriculture-Engineering and has enjoyed a record of perfect attendance. He has served on many Club Committees and was Club President during the Rotary year 1978-79.

He was District Governor's Group Representative in 1980-81 for D.G. Bill Harris and a member of the District Rotary Foundation Committee for 1988-91. He was on the Group Study Exchange Subcommittee for exchanges with Argentina, Japan (twice), Germany, India and Sweden and was Chairman for the recent exchanges with Italy, England and Brazil. Other District Committee activities included District Assembly, Camp RYLA and World Community Service. He received the Rotary Foundation District Service Award in 1989-90. He was named a Paul Harris Fellow in 1988.

He is a U.S. Air Force veteran having served as Engineering Officer at Edwards Air Force Base after graduating with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. He later earned a Master of Business Administration from Stanford. He is engaged with his brother, Marc, also a Rotarian, in diversified farming operations of orchards, grains, and row crops. Since 1976 he has been a Director of Sunsweet Growers, Inc., a farmer owned processing and marketing cooperative. He was named Woodland Chamber of Commerce 1988 Agribusinessman of the Year.

He has been involved in Woodland Memorial Hospital Foundation, Knights Landing Community Center and Boy Scouts of America where he has received many awards and recognitions. He also attained the rank of Eagle Scout.

He enjoys travelling, private flying, hiking, art, music and reading. He lives with his wife, Marilyn, a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow, on the Eldorado Ranch near Knights Landing. She has enjoyed a career as an elementary school teacher.

Peter and Marilyn have 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

LAST WEEK

Who is ERLE? was the question as he led us in the weekly flag salute. LOREN STRAUGHN gave us a thought regarding democracy, and JOE KELMAN introduced numerous visiting Rotarians and guests: Charles Howard-Gibbon (and guest) from San Lorenzo, Bob Gordon from Albany, Chuck Day from San Pablo, Jim Hamlos from Waikiki, Hawaii, Tim Southwick (and guest) from Berkeley, and Howard Smallheiser (and guest) from Walnut Creek. Member DON LAU had as his guest Jim Hanbey, the District Executive of the YMCA; lastly, PETE BRAY had two guests, his job shadow, a student from Pinole Valley High and Vern Chase from Advantage Mrtg.

PRES. ERLE read excerpts from a letter received from R.I. regarding CARL REHFUSS expressing condolences. ERLE also announced the CARL REHFUSS Memorial Endowment Fund, which our board has funded with \$1,000. You may donate to this fund anytime in lieu of flowers or other memorials. The money will be used strictly in and for the Richmond community.

Canned goods count is up to 13 cases...note that our deadline is November 14, not Christmas, so get on the stick.

TIM THOMASON gave us some good news regarding the Rotary Foundation. Out of 63 clubs in the district we stand second in total contributions to the Paul Harris Foundation, and fourth per capita. Richmond Rotary has 95 sustaining members, 77 fellows and 5 benefactors. Tim passed out several recognitions for recent contributions. Lastly, November 14 is the Foundation Dinner at Travis AFB...nice auction items available. See TIM ASAP.

Mountain Member DAVE CALFEE has made \$250 available to the Paul Harris Foundation to be doled out \$50 at a time. Your donation can be matched up to \$50 by this fund, so get it while it's hot.

JACK MATKIN rose to proudly pin a red badge on our newest member, CHARLIE ORMAN. We look for a Who Am I? from CHARLIE soon.

GARY GRANT asked one more time: Do you want the booze back or what? Raffle participation has been low lately, so GARY will be taking a poll on what you want to see. Don't forget to buy tickets!

Vocational Service Director DENNIS EDMONDSON (sans mustache) tells us that we need six more members to sign up just to meet lastyear's goal.

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Remember, taking a job shadow is only for half a day, and it might even give you some insight into your own performance. See DENNIS or CYNTHIA BRATTESANI.

Pistol PETE BRAY was up next with the extensive hit list: He started off by recognizing your Flywheel editor for a Columbus Day anniversary, and the first \$50 from CALFEE's matching fund was gone. REN PARTRIDGE took advantage of another matching fifty, as he celebrated his 63rd birthday with \$50 to Paul Harris and \$50 to the canned food drive. CYNTHIA BRATTESANI paid a paltry \$5 to state that restaurant critic James Wood recently gave her pop's place, Ceaser's (Bay & Powell, San Francisco) rave reviews. HANK COVELL offered \$50 to his son Scott's Paul Harris in hopes that by press time HANK will be a grandfather. Past President BILL SHIELDS contributed \$50 to honor his 37th wedding anniversary to CARL REHFUSS Memorial Fund. Lastly, Pistol PETE had to turn the tables and recognize himself as being Friday's birthday boy...a dollar a year for 54 to the Community Fund. PRES. ERLE jumped in and put another \$10 to the Cal Bears defeat fund.

JIM BEAVER introduced our speaker, Arlette Merritt of the Early Childhood Mental Health Program. Ms. Merritt provided us with an educational and confidential description of this very worthy organization.

Organized in West County since 1974, the Program is not widely known. Their purpose is

to deliver mental health services to families with pre-school age children who are "so disturbed they couldn't learn". This includes working with drug and alcohol abusive parents, so the Program's work is very private. Arlette was proud to state that they receive both financial support and donations of time from several Richmond Rotarians.

The goal of the Program is to strengthen and keep families together. Arlette told us three confidential stories of circumstances she has encountered in the last several years. The general pattern shows that there is a lot of reason for hope.




Last Spring, Richmond Rotary purchased a video camera for the Program. This camera is used to review footage taken of parents interacting with their children and show the parents the values of quality exchange and ways to improve it. There is a long sign up list for the camera.

Secretary JOE NUSBAUM reminded us that our attendance for last month was not what it should be. Many members are making up, but don't turn in the make-ups until after the attendance report has been completed. If you make up, give JOE a call or mail him the make-up card prior to the 8th of each month.

Salami prize won by CATHERINE O'DOWD; JOHN MEDLOCK took home the big package of nuts.

Sign Up by Nov. 13 for ROTARY INTERCITY RENO TRIP January 10-11, 1993. See JOHN NICOL or HANK COVELL

-DAVID SMITH, Editor-

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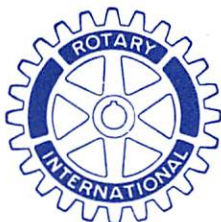
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"RUEF Update"

SUSAN WITTENBERG
Executive Director
Richmond Unified Education Fund

The Richmond Unified Education Fund (RUEF) is a nonprofit, charitable corporation which supports elementary and secondary education throughout the Richmond Unified School District. Susan Wittenberg, RUEF's volunteer Executive Director, has served as an Officer and/or Director since RUEF was founded in 1983. Susan will update us on RUEF's activities by answering the questions:

1. What is RUEF?
2. Where has it been and where is it going?
3. How does the community impact RUEF's success?

In addition to the time she devotes to RUEF, Susan runs a consulting business, Wittenberg & Associates, that specializes in training corporate employees in the correct writing of technical documents. Susan and her husband Harvey have lived in El Cerrito for 25 years. Their two daughters graduated from Kennedy High School and have gone on to successful careers in business and medicine.

Chairperson of the Day: DOUG STRAUS

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LAST WEEK

A very full day was in order for our District Governor Peter Faye. We zipped through the flag salute and great thought from LEROY THEIME, then NORM FOLEY adeptly handled the task of introducing the numerous visiting Rotarians and guests. This included visiting Rotarians Ben Moshe (Israel), Lou Gerard (Redding), PDG Nobel Streeter (Redding), Jack Mahshi (Berkeley), Bob Gordon (Albany), Bill Roshult (Albany), Dick Schroter (Orinda), Will Reiser (Rossmoor) and George Alfaro (El Sobrante).

JIM BEAVER had as his guest exchange student Yanna Mirlvadova from Czechoslovakia, LEM WASHINGTON brought Curt Taylor, and DAVID SMITH brought back Trooper Johnson (more later...). Rotary wives in attendance included Jean Wong, Marijean Davis, Betty Hardison, Lea Schwarz, Anne Nusbaum, First Lady Phyllis Brown and Mrs. DG Marilyn Faye.

Keeping with our new tradition, PRES. ERLE called upon DON HARDISON for a Who Am I? Second only to WALTER WOLFFS in Richmond Rotary tenure, DON revealed he is originally from avocado country in Ventura County. He went to UC Berkeley to study architecture in the late 30's and played alto sax in the band (never missed a game in 4 years!). He became a Naval architect in 1941 and WWII brought him to Richmond. Taking a partner after the war, DON started his own company and ended up designing numerous public and private buildings in town, including the courthouse on 37th Street. DON retired in 1987, but the firm still bears his name.

Next up: Trooper Johnson gave us a report on his recent trip to the Paralympics in Barcelona. Everything was perfect, as Team USA played on the same court as the "Dream Team" with about the same results. We went 8-0, dispensing with the Canadians easily and eventually beating the Netherlands for the gold medal (which Trooper proudly displayed). Trooper is now back home in Richmond teaching basketball to disabled children and preparing to snow ski in the 1994 Paralympics in Norway.

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District Governor Peter Faye rose to award a sapphire Paul Harris pin on District Governor nominee (94/95) Lou Gerard. After some serious needling from Will Reiser, our own WERNER SCHWARZ stood to receive the 1992 District Freedom & Leadership Award. This award is based on freely given service...congratulations WERNER!

District Rep. Bob Gordon reintroduced DG Peter Faye, a farmer from Yolo County. Peter noted the numerous past District Governors in the room, as well as the significant number from Richmond Rotary.

After some horse jokes at WERNER's expense, Peter outlined the recent journeys of R.I. President Cliff Dochterman, "the number one Rotarian in the world". Pres. Dochterman's goal is to recognize existing Rotary projects around the world with a "President Salute". He started last July right here in the Bay Area by commending our own district's Substance Abuse Program.

Sine then, his international schedule has taken him to the following places to salute these programs: Thailand-Project Literacy; India-World Community Service; Australia-Rotary Youth; Brazil-Preserve Planet Earth; North Carolina-Interact Club; England-Rotary Foundation Scholars; Italy-Rotaract; France-Inter Country Relations; Nigeria-Vocational Service; Mexico-Health, Hunger & Humanity; Guatemala-Hunger Project; Argentina-PolioPlus;

Boston-World Fellowship Activities; and most recently Japan-Rotary Foundation. Quite a trip, this gives us a glimpse of how far Rotary service reaches.

District Governor Faye concluded by saying he is proud to be a Rotarian, and thanked all of us for being Rotarians as well.

PRES. ERLE exchanged gifts with Peter and Marilyn Faye. The District Governor received a book on the history of Richmond and Mrs. Faye some NINOMIYA grown roses. For an unexplained reason, PRES. ERLE received a can of prunes.

The raffle was won by ELOF GRANBERG and WES SEAPY. ERLE threw the prunes in, which are now owned by DAN SANDERS.




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"Metas Program"

FRANK M. HERNANDEZ
Assistant Dean of Instructional Services
Contra Costa College

Frank Hernandez has lived in the Richmond Area for over forty-two years and was educated in the local schools. He earned his Associate in Arts (Psychology) Contra Costa College; Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) SF State and Master of Arts (Educational Counseling) SF State.

Frank is Assistant Dean of Instructional Services at Contra Costa College. He is responsible for:

Early Outreach Programs: Metas, Middle College High School, College for Kids, Partnership Program and Project Star;

Telecommunications: KCCC. Contra Costa College Television;

Articulation: Articulation agreements with baccalaureate institutions.

Frank will speak about the Metas Program, a community outreach program which he co-ordinated and instructed in at Contra Costa College. Metas, Spanish for goals, is a program designed to help young Latino students achieve their personal and career goals. Through mentoring, tutoring, and parent and community involvement, Metas students are given a cultural support system to instill within them the desire to continue with higher education.

Chairperson for the Day: SID FIELD

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LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT ERLE welcomed us all to Richmond Rotary where real happiness is helping others and led the pledge to the flag. ELOF GRANBERG's thought for the day had a "Dancing With Rotarians" flavor. (Thanks, DAVE.)

Our visiting Rotarian for the day was Jim Hambee, new director of the Hilltop YMCA. Guests included Curt Taylor with LEM WASHINGTON and Angela Rich, who was RUSS SCHULZE's job shadow.

ERLE traced the genesis of this year's Rotary theme which he says comes from a Chinese proverb: "If you want to be happy for an hour take a nap, if you want to be happy for a day go fishing, if you want to be happy for a week take a vacation, if you want to be happy for a month get married, if you want to be happy for a year inherit a vacation, but to be happy for a lifetime help others." See what you miss when you're not there. ERLE also read a letter from CARL REHFUSS' daughter that recounted what Rotary meant to him. There was also a donation made to a Chico hospice in CARL's memory.

The canned goods drive is starting to take off. We've hit 30 cases with a couple more weeks to go. The canned goods will be divided between the Richmond Rescue Mission and Salvation Army. Remember, if you can't find a case of canned food a \$15 check will suffice. When we hit 40 cases both ERLE and GARRETT GRANT will pitch in \$100.

JOHN NICOL's motion that we let ERLE off the hook by making "guys" gender neutral (generic?) went nowhere.

Farewell to a great Rotarian and a truly nice man, DARROL DAVIS. DARROL and Marijean are moving to the town of Arnold up in the higher country. They found a nice house on a golf course and are looking forward to an easier lifestyle. DARROL said he'll wait awhile before he begins seeking out attorneys.

SID FIELD was called on the carpet about his tiger taming adventure at MarineWorld and paid \$5 not to go into the details.

GARRETT GRANT is collecting questionnaires about the raffle. If you've got an opinion on how to improve participation fill one out and get it into GARRETT.

PETE BRAY was on recognition patrol and

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started with CHARLIE WONG, whose birthday brought in a nice donation. Next was TED SMITH whose anniversary provided a bully pulpit and a solid donation to the community fund. HERB COLE was caught on the front page of a pamphlet passed out by our guest speaker, which occasioned a dandy \$20 fine. DARROLL was recognized with a going away recognition that amounted to \$20 for his 20 years in Rotary, \$25 for his upcoming anniversary and another \$45 for leaving the attorneys unattended. Several of our lawyers were moved to unsolicited testimonials in DARROL's honor. DAVE NINOMIYA was whacked for ending up in a political flyer. Proud Grandpa HANDK COVELL couldn't restrain himself and donated \$50 to his wife's Paul Harris on behalf of the very beautiful and very young Sarah. Congratulations.

DOUG STRAUS introduced our guest speaker Susan Wittenberg of the Richmond Unified Education Foundation. The Foundation is a non-profit fund that rewards creative projects and helps with materials in the school system. It is independent of the school district but obviously cooperates closely with schools. The Foundation is celebrating its 10th anniversary, but the bad news is that the need for its funding is greater than ever.




Each Fall the Foundation gives mini-

grants of up to \$400 to students, teachers, even parents who have applied to fund innovative projects. This year the Foundation received 109 applications for grants. They will give out 45 grants totalling \$15,000. In the Spring the Foundation holds its annual banquet (next year's will be held May 7) to reward teaching excellence. Six teachers receive honors including a \$500 grant. The banquet has grown in prestige over the years and last year two-thirds of the tables were sponsored. With the assistance of the Council of Industries and a \$25,000 grant from Citibank the Foundation will soon award six \$1,000 grants to schools in the district. The Foundation has also become a non-profit umbrella for other organizations including the Richmond Unified Boosters and the Harding School Parents Group, as well as working with parents from the Madera and Washington schools.

Susan pointed out the different things businesses and individuals can do to make a difference including adopting a school, providing mentors from your business or funding a grant. She made it clear that the Foundation cannot and does not intend to take on the State's responsibility for funding schools in the district. But they have proven to be a worthy addition toward bettering our schools.

DONNA MCCAIN and HANK KELMAN won the raffle. GARY BELL won free lunch for the month.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1992

"Happiness is a Sturdy, Well-Endowed Foundation"

HENRY L. WHIFFEN & WILLIAM L. REISER
1992/93 Co-Chairmen, District 5160
R.I. Endowment/Major Gift Subcommittee

HENRY WHIFFEN is a member of the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek and is a principal in the Estate Advisory Group, a family wealth planning firm. An Estate Tax Strategist with 30 years of experience, he is a recognized pioneer and leader in his field. He is a specialist in estate planning for larger estates utilizing over 50 strategies to reduce or eliminate estate taxes for his clients. As a result of Henry's professional recommendations, his clients have donated, or have implemented planning to donate, more than \$250 million to their favorite charities. The bulk of these dollars would otherwise have gone to taxes.

Henry has a Bachelor's Degree in Business & Accounting, a Master's Degree in Financial Services and has completed other post-graduate work in Tax, Estate Planning, Business Finance and Economics. His professional credentials include the Certified Financial Planner (CFP), Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) designations. He has authored articles on tax planning, business planning and estate strategies for national publications and has been a featured speaker at conventions and seminars throughout the country. He is listed in Who's Who in America - Finance and Industry.

WILL REISER, a member of the Rotary Club of Rossmore (W.C.), is an attorney whose practice emphasis is in estate and wealth transfer planning. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, Washington D.C., a Juris Doctor from Santa Clara University School of Law, and a Master of Laws in Estate Planning from the University of Miami Graduate School of Law, Coral Gables, Florida.

Chairman of the Day: HANK COVELL

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1992

"Transportation"

TOM POWERS

LAST WEEK

PRES. ERLE continued his countdown in welcoming us, and BOB ARAGO gave us some fortune cookie thoughts to ponder. ELOF GRANBERG found no visiting Rotarians, but did discover guests Dennis Sato with DAN TANITA, Ted Abrams with HANK COVELL, Madeline Meadows with CYNTHIA BRATTESANI, Stanley Feldman with DENNIS EDMONDSON and HENRY KELMAN's job shadow Joe Brems.

SECRETARY JOE reminded us that the GRIP Hunger Walk is complete, so be prepared to make good on your pledges. GARY GRANT's early exit poll projections show the raffle being a big winner...lots of good suggestions that indicate "we're gonna make some money!"

The good news is that we went over the top by collecting 40 cases of canned food for our drive. However, as PRES. ERLE and GARY GRANT pointed out while writing their \$100 checks, 40% participation is pretty paltry in a club like ours. Many members responded generously, and our new goal is 100 cases. If you haven't participated yet, fold this Flywheel up, stick it in your pocket or on your desk as a reminder. Deadline is this Friday the 13th, so BRING THAT CASE OF CANS!!!

While we're at it, MALCOLM LEE and the Rescue Mission are looking for volunteers to assist them with their own canned drive. You are asked to show up at Costco and collect from shoppers. See ERLE or MALCOLM if you can work on Saturday, November 14th or 21st.

TIM THOMASON reminded us that we would like to see a couple more members sign up for the Rotary Foundation Dinner Nov. 14 at Travis AFB. TOM BUTT asked for at least one member of the club to work with the Youth Exchange Program committee in the upcoming interview/selection process. See TOM or TIM...

The other TOM (McGOWAN) says there is still time to sign up for the Christmas Party of December 18. Cost is only \$55 for the works. See TOM soon so reservations can be made.

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PETE BRAY recognized your former Flywheel Editor NORM FOLEY. Celebrating his 11th anniversary, NORM figured the dollar a year formula was in order but added some other items as well to come up with \$100 toward Bonnie's Paul Harris. No pin cost you \$5 today and DAN TANITA thought TOM BUTT should be recognized for TOM & Mrs. B's home state victories in this week's election (Arkansas & Tennessee). PETE said five, TOM gave ten and DAN forked over fifteen for a case of canned food.

BOB ARAGO introduced our speaker Mr. Frank Hernandez, Assistant Dean of Instruction at CCC. Responsible for 8 different projects on campus, he came today to tell us about Metas. This project pairs CCC students with Latino junior high students, following them through high school. The goal is to give the kids positive role models and ultimately get them to go to college.

Frank described a bit of "culture shock" he experienced on his way to the club. Driving in front of Richmond High, there was a student demonstration, prompting police presence, helicopters, reporters, etc. After getting through the traffic jam, within 5 minutes he was at the quiet, affluent grounds of the Mira Vista Country Club. Quite a difference, a difference the students of our local schools experience almost on a daily basis.

Because of these cultural differences and the changing demographics of California, Frank sees the need of Metas, the need to help Latino youth




focus on their academic goals. The Metas program includes the mentors and kids meeting at CCC two Saturdays a month where they participate in tutoring and listening to speakers. Frank has received a matching grant which would allow them to take the program down to the elementary level.

Frank cited a recent study which shows a graduation rate of only 43% for Latino youth; of Latino kids in kindergarten in 1987, only 1.5% will obtain a bachelor's degree. Due to changing demographics, this is our work force. By the end of this decade, Latinos will make up 30% of California high school students.

Frank introduced Richmond High student Manuel Romero, a member of the program since the 7th grade. He explains that Metas is an option...one that leads you to college. He recounted an emotional story of his friend who was killed in a gang fight earlier this year and says without the program it could have been him. Metas encourages students to do something positive with their lives. It is difficult, according to Manuel, for some to step out of the "cultural box" and get involved in academics. This area is where the mentors or role models are so needed and are successful. Manuel ended with a plea to invest in our future.

The raffle was won by JACK HORTON and guest Madeline Meadows.

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"Transportation"

TOM POWERS
Supervisor
Contra Costa County

Supervisor Tom Powers has spoken to our group on the subject of transportation before and will be giving us an update on this important issue as it pertains to our area.

Tom Powers was elected to the CCC Board of Supervisors in 1978 and has been re-elected three terms. During his public service he has served as Chair of the I-80 Reconstruction Advisory Committee, ABAG Regional Planning Committee and three separate years for the Board of Supervisors; President of the Regional Planning Committee; Director of the Bay Area Air Quality Policy Committee; and member of the WCC Transportation Advisory Committee and the Joint Air Quality Policy Committee.

Chairperson of the Day: DAVE KUCHENTHAL

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1992 - NO MEETING

There will be no meeting this week because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.



LAST WEEK

PRES. ERLE hit the big 20 on his road to the big 52 and that was worth a warm welcome. HANK COVELL had a thought for the day about people who take credit for it.

HERB COLE welcomed our many visitors and guests. The Berkeley Rotary had a good showing with Dennis Hacker, Mike Axeiff and Steve Holland. Our guest speakers were fellow Rotarians, Henry Whiffen from Walnut Creek and Will Reiser from Rossmoor, and Chuck Day from San Pablo rounded out the visitors. Guests included HERB's father-in-law Reyes Licea, Jan Russell with JUDY MORGAN and Scott Kerry who was JOE KEELMAN's job shadow.

As ERLE reported last week, we blasted through the 40 case barrier on the canned food drive for the Salvation Army and the Richmond Rescue Mission. We were at 87 cases and checks. Great job. ERLE and GARY GRANT will be happily parting with their \$100 apiece to add to the kitty.

JOHN NICOL needs your money if you've signed up for the **Reno Trip**. And he needs it about the time you're reading this, which is NOW, not later than Wednesday or big trouble. You may have to run along behind the train and sleep in the hotel lobby. Prices are \$180 for double room and \$190 for a single. Get the money in to JOHN or HANK COVELL ASAP.

As was also reported, if you made a pledge to JOE NUSBAUM for the GRIP walkathon, he'd like to see the green also.

The Christmas Party is December 18 and we need to have a firm commitment on how many couples will be attending by the end of the month. If you've signed up you will be billed for the event unless you indicate otherwise to TOM MCGOWAN not later than November 30.

STEVE DUNN's wife Mary is home and progressing slowly. We wish her luck and send our best.

TOM BUTT is taking part in a fundraiser for the American Heart Association this Thursday. It's a celebrity waiter event and if you sign up and sit at TOM's table you can heap abuse on him and he has to pour your wine and act obsequious. Sounds like fun. Call him soon if you want in.

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CHRISTMAS AUCTION-December 18th

We want to make this the best one in a long time. We're trying to plan ahead to get some outstanding gifts to be auctioned. We'd like club members to do the same. Use your imagination and come up with something super to open wallets. This is our primary fundraisers so let's try to make it special.

ERLE read a nice letter from District Governor Peter Faye regarding his recent visit. He was impressed with our accomplishments, our community programs and our plans for the future.

BILL "Gotcha" REID was handling recognitions and all we had for a Friday the 13th was GEORGE WACKER who was celebrating an anniversary marking many, many years of happiness with Sylvia. BILL and ERLE didn't have much to brag about regarding recent performances by the Reds and the Blues. They each chipped in \$5 and began circling each other in preparation for the BG.

Our guest speakers were Henry Whiffen and Will Reiser who are co-chairmen for the District's Rotary International Endowment/Major Gift Subcommittee. They made an interesting and intriguing case for considering a planned charitable gift to the Rotary Foundation. Through a Charitable Remainder Trust it is possible to donate an asset to a charity such as the Rotary Foundation and continue to derive an income stream from it. Upon your death and that of your spouse the asset goes to

charity. It is also possible to split the income among yourself and your children and also have them retain a trust upon your death. There are numerous possibilities and ways to go about this planned giving.



One of the interesting features about the trusts is that it helps you avoid both capital gains taxes by avoiding the sale of the asset while still retaining income from it and you also avoid the estate taxes resulting in a larger inheritance to your heirs. This can be a win/win situation for you, your heirs and the Rotary Foundation.

Richmond Rotary has five members who have become Rotary Foundation benefactors through this program.

BILL REID and our guest Jan Russell took home the vino and salami.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - There will be Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, November 19, 1992, at 7:30 a.m. at the Point Marina Inn, 915 West Cutting Blvd. All Officers and Directors are urged to attend and members are welcome.

DAVE SMITH
Wannabe, editor

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1992

"The Impact of the Clinton Election on the Economy and on Investing"

LARRY KUMMER

Larry Kummer, president of Praxis, Inc. of Walnut Creek, will discuss how the Clinton election will impact the overall economy, your business and your personal investment plans. He will address issues including why recessions often occur after a new president is elected; where the U.S. economy is today; what economic constraints President-elect Clinton faces; what we can expect based on similar situations from the past both in the United States and in other countries.

Larry Kummer is the president of Praxis, a research firm serving the financial services industry. His clients include Charles Schwab, Standard and Poor's Corp. and Montgomery Securities. Mr. Kummer was trained as a security analyst and financial planner and has 14 years in the financial services industry, including 10 years as vice president with Shearson Lehman Hutton. He is a registered representative with Transamerica Financial Resources and serves as an arbitrator for the National Association of Securities Dealers and the American Arbitration Association.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

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EARLY REMINDER...FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1992

We meet at the PT. MARINA INN

Seasonal reminder: If you are signed up to go to the CHRISTMAS PARTY on December 18, you will pay the \$55 on November 30 (whether you show or not). See TOM MCGOWAN

LAST WEEK

On Big Game Eve, Ol' Blue BROWN led the flag salute with WES SEAPY giving us a feline thought for the day. GARY GRANT introduced visiting Rotarians Warren Trundle from San Pablo and George Schmidt from El Sobrante. Numerous guests included Kirk Taylor, Melanie Sanson with PETE BRAY, Bruce Hoffe with DEAN BARBIERI, Ken Moilanen with JUDY MORGAN, Nancy Vaccarezza with TOM AMESS and Stan Feldman with HERB COLE. GARY GRANT had his job shadow, Thomas Schmidt from El Cerrito High.

On the tenth anniversary of "The Play", PRES. ERLE unveiled his commemorative T-shirt (where was CALFEE with that red hat?). All the Bears chipped in \$5; CHUCK WRIGHT's fellow alumni left him to fly solo, but at this writing it seems CHUCK has the last laugh...

On a more serious note, PRES. ERLE presented member MALCOLM LEE with a check for \$485 as a result of our canned food drive. This is in conjunction with 18 cases of food that was collected. Like quantities go to the Salvation Army and Capt. LEROY THIEME. In short, mission accomplished... and lots of people will appreciate it this Thanksgiving.

While we're spending, the Board of Directors recently funded \$300 to the local AIDS Community Network for a refrigerator, and \$500 to buy supplies for the Martin Luther King Health Center.

The board also nominated a slate of candidates for 1993-94 which will be announced December 4. There were no nominations from the floor. Elections will be Dec. 11, 1992.

Tis the season... see PETE BRAY to sign up for our annual Salvation Army bell ringing. We will be at Macy's on Saturday, Dec. 12, from 10:00-4:00. Your 2 hours are needed.

Keeping with our Old Blue theme, the oldest of the blues DAN READY gave us a Who Am I.

Also on the 18th is our Auction; JIM BEAVER and crew are orchestrating a "step up" in quality and revenue. We already have some dyno prizes like a week in Puerto Vallarta, a weekend in Incline Village and a catered

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sail-cruise on the Bay. Be prepared for his committee to call you for a prize. Most importantly, bring a friend and your checkbooks and don't miss the 18th.

"Outta My Way" BRAY did some quick shooting, getting \$100 from GARY GRANT for hitting the big "FIVE OH" and another \$100 from DON MILLER for being married "over half my life". REN PARTRIDGE says he's been married over half his life too, with a recent 13th anniversary... anyway it was good for a donation to his wife's Paul Harris.

DAVID KUCHENTHAL introduced our guest speaker, Richmond native and former member, Supervisor Tom Powers, to speak on East Bay Commuter Rail Service. Drawing on his experience and knowledge gained from the Board of Supervisors, TOM explained the proposal to utilize existing abandoned rail lines in the Bay Area.

Southern Pacific has lines that run from Brentwood all along the northern portion of Contra Costa. Running through West County, the lines lead to Oakland and ultimately tie in with South Bay and the Peninsula Cal Train. There are also lines that can link Sacramento and Solano County. Furthermore, these existing lines can tie in with several existing and proposed BART stations.

According to Tom, if we are going to have economic growth, we cannot continue to look towards the already congested I-80. Rail transit is promising because it is relatively affordable. BART extensions cost between \$100 and \$200 million a mile.




The proposed rail system is about \$1 million a mile. The cost to operate the rail system is \$7-10 million, with insurance being a significant portion of that. If an already existing transit agency could administer and insure it, the costs would be even less. The idea of having BART involved ("BART-LINK") is being considered.

Supervisor Powers believes that with public help and encouragement this project can be realized. Expanding existing rail transportation is not subject to environmental review, this project could be implemented in a year once given the go-ahead. Funding would be complicated, but is possible. Any additional tax would require a vote of the people.

OSCAR LUGO and FRAN WILSON won the raffle.
DAVE SMITH, Editor



PRES. ERLE handing check to MALCOLM LEE.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1992

MEETING at PT. MARINA INN

Holiday Special Event
BRING SPOUSE!



El Cerrito High School Chorus
Directed By:
WENDELL DOTSON

Chairman of the Day: ERLE BROWN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1992

AUCTION



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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1992 - NO MEETING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1993 - NO MEETING

REMINDER: Please get your money in ASAP if you are signed up to go to the Christmas Party on December 18.

See TOM MCGOWAN

LAST WEEK

On a bright, clear day, and in the holiday spirit, we saluted the flag and heard JOHN MEDLOCK's thought for the day. DON HARDISON introduced visiting Rotarians Warren Trundle (San Pablo) and Barbara Whitacker (El Cerrito). Guests included Stanley Feldman with PETE BRAY, Hal Trost with MIKE WINTER, Isiah Turner with DONNA MCCAIN, Bob Rorby with LESLIE LEVY, Dennis Sato with DAN TANITA and Bill James with DENNIS TRIPLETT. JOE NUSBAUM had his job shadow from Richmond High, Maurice Murray. Lastly, PRES. ERLE brought his wife Phyllis and their guest from Ireland, Tom Blake.

A proud PRES. ERLE then called Capt. LEROY THIEME to the podium in order to present the Salvation Army with their half of the canned food drive loot. The sum of \$565 plus 18 cases of canned food were accepted by a very thankful LEROY. The bottom line is that we raised over 100 cases of food this year, and we should all be pleased.

DENNIS TRIPLETT circulated the sign up sheet for our annual Salvation Army bell ringing. We are signed up to be at Macy's on Dec. 12 between 10 and 4. Your two hour shift is needed.

Election for club officers and directors will be this Friday, December 11. JOE NUSBAUM and DAVE ALMEIDA have been nominated for Secretary and Treasurer. Our Board of Directors has nominated the following for three open positions on the 1993-1994 board: JOHN MEDLOCK, DON LAU, JUDY MORGAN, TOM AMESS, BOB ARAGO and JOE BAGLEY.

Past Pres. DEAN BARBIERI revealed our nominee for Vice President 93/94 (President for 94/95), PG&E executive SID FIELD. Congratulations!

What do BILL SHIELDS, WES SEAPY, FRAN WILSON and CHARLIE FENDER have in common? They all made good on their \$1000 pledge to PolioPlus and were given the appropriate certification and applause by PRES. ERLE.

AUCTION UPDATE: Even though this is our main fundraising event for the year, the number one priority is to have a good time. JIM BEAVER ran down the list of outstanding vacation spots available, pointing out that most all of them sleep several. JIM recommends putting together a consortium to bid on the prize and make a party out of it. TIM THOMASON says there will be a "guaranteed hangover cure" available, along with

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some sports memorabilia and other outstanding prizes. Exercising his option, ERLE will designate at least 15% of the proceeds from this year's auction to the Carl Reh fuss Memorial Fund. So bring your spouse or a friend on the 18th and enjoy the festivity.

Pistol PETE is still shooting down November recognitions, popping WERNER SCHWARZ for his recent ascendance to Medi-Care age. MICHAEL "Countdown" BROWN is 47 on his descension to zero. CHARLIE FENDER claims to be celebrating the 45th anniversary of his 39th birthday, but nobody believes the bottom line. LESLIE LEVY had a birthday on Thanksgiving Day which was enough for contribution to her husband's Paul Harris. Our two recognition chairs, PETE BRAY and BILL REID, both paid up for November anniversaries. Lastly, dentist DAN TANITA was in the paper recently for the good work he does in providing care for poor children. Since Richmond Rotary was mentioned in the article, no fine from DAN but PETE did squeeze \$2 from each person at his table.

JIM BEAVER introduced speaker LARRY KUMMER, a researcher and financial consultant from Walnut Creek. Larry shared with us his thoughts about our current economic situation and Bill Clinton's options.

While American is the wealthiest, greatest and most powerful nation on earth, we cannot ignore our \$4 trillion debt. The federal deficit is running about \$300 billion each year.

The debt is about 2/3 of our GNP..when it reaches 100% of GNP (10-12 years), we're sunk. About 70% of the debt is short term debt, which is cheaper but more risky.

Bill Clinton's options are few. To tax corporations for 100% of their profit would only provide 20% of what we need and there is no political consensus to double income tax. So for the immediate, Clinton must roll over the deficit and still rely on short term financing. Politically speaking, it make sense for Clinton to do the painful things early in his term and let the economy recover by re-election time. "It's Bush's recession" according to Larry. It would be politically unwise to stimulate the economy early and risk another recession later. Presidents who have recessions late in their terms have a tendency to lose.

So how should we invest and plan in 1993. Trim our sails is the advice. Reduce personal debt, especially credit card debt. Invest carefully in conservative types of programs, and most of all, stay diversified.

Raffle winners were RALPH HILL and Phyllis Brown.
-DAVID SMITH, Editor-



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"RICHMOND ROTARY'S ANNUAL AUCTION"

AUCTION



11:30 a.m. - Preview of Items
12:15 p.m. - Meeting Starts
12:30 p.m. - Auction Begins

This is the big week, and enclosed you will find an updated list of prizes collected thus far. Our motto is "Help Richmond Rotary Help Others". Please keep in mind that there are no minimum bids...with the large amount of prizes collected, and in every price range, there are sure to be some tremendous values. So bring a friend, bring a spouse, bring your Christmas list and be prepared to have a good time.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1992 - NO MEETING

"Merry Christmas"

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1993 - NO MEETING

"Happy New Year"

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 1993

Meeting will be held at
the WEST COUNTY TIMES in their
community room.

Members will meet at the West County Times and then proceed on for a "Tour of the new YMCA" facilities.

LAST WEEK

PRES. ERLE opened by reminding us that we are but one of 26,017 Rotary Clubs worldwide, containing over 1.1 million members. Capt. LEROY THIEME followed with a spiritual thought for the day.

RALPH HILL introduced visiting Rotarian Bill Van Dyk from San Pablo. Guests included LESLIE LEVY's job shadow, Carmen Millenick from Pinole Valley High School, JUDY MORGAN's daughter Jennifer, Betty Kanegai with DAN TANITA, Stan Feldman with HANK COVELL and James Wooten with LEROY THIEME. TED SMITH brought former NFL great Benny Barnes. Rotary wives on hand: Shirley Butt, Rita Bagley and Norma Cole.

PRES. ERLE then had the pleasure of introducing Julia Robinson-Ellis, director of the Martin Luther King Health Center. Our club



recently funded the center \$500 to purchase supplies. In thanking us, Julia reminded us that the center operates with 100% volunteer labor and is still able to treat 180 patients a month.

Last announcement for the Christmas Party this Friday the 18th (directions are enclosed)...there are still a couple of spots open, so if you are interested see CHARLIE WONG or TOM MCGOWAN.

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BILL REID took the podium to continue slogging through our long list of recognitions. JOE KELMAN was first with a birthday and anniversary recently, and donated equally to the Community Fund and his Paul Harris. Top Cop EARNIE CLEMENTS also had a recent birthday, but was recognized more for the 2 bank robbers he caught. DAVE NINOMIYA had a birthday, HANK COVELL an anniversary, and RUSS SCHULZE had both. RUSS cut through the red tape and handed out his own checks to the YMCA, Rescue Mission, Seamen's Center and Salvation Army. TOM BUTT contributed for his recent 21st anniversary; BILL REID chipped in for EARNIE's good deed on behalf of the bank, and STEVE DUNN recognized himself for his new job as facilities manager of the YMCA.

Next up was our annual serenade by the El Cerrito High School A Capella Choir, led by Mr. Dotson. The group treated us to the non-traditional songs of "Your Shining Eyes Are Magical" and "All My Cares and Troubles Cease" before lapsing into the more customary "Do You See What I See?", "We Three Kings", "O Come All Ye Faithful". We joined in on "Silent Night" and "Jingle Bells", after which ERLE presented them with a check for \$100. The group closed the program with "We Wish You A Merry Christmas".

The raffle toffee was won by Jennifer Morgan, and GARY BELL took home the ham. Free lunches for a month were won by STAN GRYDYK.

ELECTION RESULTS: The following members were elected to serve in the 1993/94 Rotary year: President: DAN TANITA; Vice President: SID FIELD; Secretary: JOE NUSBAUM; Treasurer: DAVID ALMEIDA.

JOE BAGLEY and JUDY MORGAN were elected to the Board of Directors. There will be a run-off this Friday, Dec. 18, to fill the third seat on the board.




See you at the auction.

DAVID SMITH, Editor

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JANUARY 10-11, 1993**

Train Schedule

Sunday 1-10-93	
LV OAKLAND.....	8:15 AM
LV RICHMOND.....	8:30 AM
LV MARTINEZ.....	9:00 AM
LV SACRAMENTO....	10:25 AM
AR RENO.....	3:15 PM
Monday 1-11-93	
LV RENO.....	3:05 PM
AR SACRAMENTO....	8:10 PM
AR MARTINEZ.....	9:20 PM
AR RICHMOND.....	9:50 PM
AR OAKLAND.....	10:15 PM

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