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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1998

## REMINDER RETURN TO MIRA VISTA COUNTRY CLUB

### "Oakland East Bay Symphony"

MICHAEL MORGAN  
Music Director

Currently in his eighth season as Music Director of the Oakland East Bay Symphony, Michael Morgan was born in 1957 in Washington, DC. There he attended public schools and began conducting at the age of 12. While a student at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, he spent a summer at the Berkshire Music Center at Tanglewood. There he was a student of Gunther Schuller and Seiji Ozawa and it was during that summer that he first worked with Leonard Bernstein.

In 1980 he won 1st prize in the Hans Swarowsky International Conductors Competition in Vienna, Austria and became Assistant Conductor of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, under Leonard Slatkin. His operatic debut was in 1982 at the Vienna State Opera in Mozart's *The Abduction from the Seraglio*.

In 1986 Sir Georg Solti chose him to become the Assistant Conductor of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, a position he held for seven years. During his tenure in Chicago he was also conductor of the Civic Orchestra, the training orchestra of the Chicago Symphony, and the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra.

In 1986 he was also invited by Leonard Bernstein to make his debut with the New York Philharmonic and has conducted that orchestra several times since. Other guest appearances have included the Berlin State Opera, St. Louis Opera Theatre, Washington Opera and New York City Opera. He has conducted the San Francisco, National, Baltimore, Houston, Seattle, Vancouver, Detroit and Oregon Symphony Orchestras; as well as the Los Angeles and Warsaw Philharmonics and the Philadelphia Orchestra. During the last year he conducted concerts in Paris and Israel, and in the next year will conduct the orchestras of Atlanta, Buffalo and Richmond, Virginia.

In addition to his duties at the Oakland East Bay Symphony, he is Artistic Director & Principal Conductor of the Oakland Youth Orchestra, and Music Director of the Festival Opera in Walnut Creek. He makes over 100 appearances in the nation's schools, particularly in the

East Bay, and gives many speeches on the importance of music education and minority access to, and participation in, the arts.

Chairperson of the Day: BILL REID

Door Duty: RICHARD BRANDES & NORMAN LUNDBERG

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 1998

### "10 Reasons to Market Your Business With a Newsletter"

JEFF RUBIN

LAST WEEK (12/19/97)

President JOE led us in the pledge to the flag, followed by JIM SHATTOCK with the thought for the day. JOE then asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of STAN GRYDYK who passed away on December 12.

#### Visitors and guests:

Sam Baldado was a visiting Rotarian from the Philippines. He gave a heartfelt hello to the club and presented PREZ JOE with a souvenir program from his club. Cornell Clark was JON LAWLIS' guest. Isaiah Turner was GARY BELL's guest.

#### Announcements:

DAVID KUCHENTHAL informed us that WALT ZERA is ill. A card was circulated. JOE was pleased with the annual Christmas Party which took place on December 13 at Salesian High. The music by the East Bay Center was good and the food, prepared by our very own Steve Biani was reported to be excellent. JOE especially liked the men in kilts - JOHN NICOL and ELOF. \$5 for all Rotarians who weren't there. JIM BEAVER did a great job on the annual Rotary Auction.

#### Recognitions:

MIKE WINTER celebrated his birthday. He was especially happy because his daughter shares his B-day and turned 30. JOE KELMAN had a double whammy with a birthday and an anniversary. JOE NUSBAUM celebrated his anniversary. CYNTHIA BRATTESANI was happy about her 35th B-day and also said her farewells to the club as this was her last meeting. HANK COVELL was recognized for his anniversary and said it just keeps getting better. DAVID NINOMIYA, the club's "#1 flower child" got a sincere rendition of "happy birthday" performed for him. NORM FOLEY reminded PREZ JOE that RUSS SCHULZE celebrated his birthday at the Christmas party on the 13th. PETE BRAY celebrated his 38th anniversary. STEVE was recognized

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Jeff Rubin is among Northern California's foremost experts on writing and designing marketing materials--specifically newsletters, brochures, flyers and ads.

Jeff survived childhood and early adulthood in New York City, where he worked as a reporter for the New York Post and New York Daily News. Seeking to escape snow, sleet, cold, congestion and apartment house living, Jeff moved to California in 1978 and settled in Pinole.

In 1981, Jeff left his job as a newspaper reporter and editor to begin his Pinole-based newsletter publishing business, which is called "Put It In Writing". Over the last 17 years, Jeff has published more than 750 newsletters, brochures, speaker flyers and other business communications for many area companies and individuals. He has published a monthly newsletter for The Mechanics Bank for 16 years, and has written and designed publications for Chevron, Bay Alarm Company and Weight Watchers.

Jeff teaches a monthly class on newsletter writing and design through The Learning Annex in San Francisco. He has been a marketing consultant with the Contra Costa Small Business Development Center, and speaks frequently about writing and designing effective materials.

Chairperson of the Day: DAVID KUCHENTHAL

Door Duty: JACK MATKIN

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1998

### "Active Duty in Bosnia"

STAN SIRY  
CWO #3, U.S. Marines

Door Duty: PETE BRAY and DONNA MCCAIN

#### Upcoming Programs:

- Jan. 30 - Speaker: Anya Binsacca, former Ambassadorial Scholar  
Feb. 6 - Speaker: Joanna Moss, PhD, Topic: "What Have We Seen So Far?"  
Feb. 27 - Cliff Dochterman, Past President, Rotary International

#### LAST WEEK

Oh how I've missed you all...I'm sure the feeling is mutual. But alas, I am sorry to say that this is my Waterloo issue. For you see all things regardless of quality or lack thereof must one day end. So with a misty eye I bid you all adieu. If I have offended anyone during my tenure it was deeply intentional and I hope it was cause for some levity somewhere. You have all been great sports and I still think ERLE BROWN needs all the help you can give him...but I digress...so on with the meeting highlights...

Welcoming the crew back from the bowels of the Richmond Auditorium to the new and improved Mira Vista venue, President BAGLEY was giddy with rotary pride and allowed an always smiling BILL REID to give us the cogitation for the day. Supposedly no visiting Rotarians were present but one couldn't help but notice our excellent Richmond venue caterer Steve Piane from El Cerrito, enjoying his lunch. Rotarians with guests included job shadow students galore in tow with Judge LINDENBAUM and PAMELA JONES. LESLIE LEVY's premiere secretary was present and even JOE BAGLEY brought a friend.

#### Announcements

- Pleased about the Christmas party turnout, JOE read a thank you note from DG George "have fun" Chaffey who apparently had such a good time that he sent the nude photos from the party for us all to see by accident...I'm joking, I know you read this George...at least the laugh I was after has been beneficial to all concerned.
- Hey WALT CONNOLLY!...There's a Board Meeting on Thursday, 1/15 at 7:30 a.m. at Baker's square!! You don't look good in Red buddy!
- The District Conference is being held on May 1st and 2nd in Concord at the Hilton. If you sign up before January 31st the fee is only \$149. Procrastinators can expect to pay \$195 so don't be a dunce and sign up early! Preparations for the dictionary project will be highlighted at the conference and all of you are strongly encouraged to attend...besides the parties planned are supposed to be awesome.

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• A Thank-You card for the out-pouring of sympathy for STAN GRYDYK's family was circulated...we'll miss you STAN.

• Anybody puke on the Reno train?

#### Recognitions

Anniversaries were celebrated by BUD MARTIN and the forever young WALTER WOLFFS. Birthday kudos were cause for donations from PAM JONES, LOREN STRAUGHN, JIM BEAVER and DAN READY.

#### Happy \$\$\$s

- CHARLES RAMSEY as usual was happy about UCLA.
- CHARLES ORMAN finally gives Chevron the heave ho after 31 years.
- KATHERINE ALEXANDER was sad, as we all were, when she announced that her new job will be separating her from the club...we will miss you KATHERINE!
- HANK COVELL was happy about Reno.
- I resigned my post as scribe but hopefully that will be offset by my new success in Pinole.

#### Program





Chair BILL REID introduced music director for the Oakland East Bay Symphony, Michael Morgan. In his eighth year with the OEBS, Michael said that his public school background has been the impetus for his strong affiliation and drive to bring classical music to the public schools. Michael has worked with the likes of

Leonard Bernstein and Sir George Solti and has brought his enthusiasm and talent to Oakland and into Richmond. Future concerts by the symphony are planned at the Richmond Auditorium which Michael has come to appreciate for its fine acoustics. The knowledge and energy which Michael exhibits made this a truly enjoyable and entertaining program. Those of your peers who have seen the OEBS strongly encourage you to attend a concert!

#### Raffle

Apparently someone thought there was a rugby game being played on Sunday instead of a football game, either way the two cases of Fosters will undoubtedly be enjoyed by DAVE and CAROL.

Your now ex-Editor  
MARK THIBAUT.....Peace!

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### "Operation Joint Guard, Bosnia"

CWO3 STANLEY A. SIRY  
USMCR

Mr. Siry is a Chief Warrant Officer 3 in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. His current long term assignment is with a National Intelligence Support Team, which ultimately works for The Joint Chiefs of Staff. Last fall, instead of the usual annual two week call to duty, he was called to temporary active duty and spent approximately four months in Bosnia.

As most of us are aware, Operation Joint Guard is a United Nations sponsored and United States supported temporary assignment for peace. It is located in the area formerly known as Yugoslavia since World War I. This assignment enabled Stan to acquire a unique perspective on the current conflict from a historical point of view. The cultural, religious and minor language differences that have continued for literally hundreds of years in this region of the world.

Stanley received his Bachelors Degree in Business from the University of Redlands and his Masters Degree in Marketing from Pepperdine University. His civilian career is rich with success and joined Harbor Plastics Mfg. Co. in 1996. Originally from Pittsburgh, PA, he now lives in Concord but remains a big Pittsburgh Pirate and Steelers fan.

Chairperson of the Day: JOE KELMAN

Door Duty: PETE BRAY and DONNA McCAIN

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1998

ANYA BINSACCA,  
former Ambassadorial Scholar

Chairperson of the Day: DAVID SMITH

Door Duty: DAVID BROWN & MICHAEL McDONALD

### Upcoming Programs:

Feb. 6 - Speaker: Joanna Moss, PhD, Topic:  
"Making Sense of the Asian Financial Crisis"  
Feb. 27 - Cliff Dochterman, Past President,  
Rotary International

### LAST WEEK

President JOE led us in the pledge to the flag, followed by HENRY KELMAN with a homespun thought for the day. We had a moment of silence for JOHN NICOL's mother, who died recently.

### Visitors and Guests:

MICHAEL DOWNER, DAVE ALMEIDA, WALTER CONNOLLY and DOUG STRAUS all brought their job shadows as guests. DAN READY introduced his guest, Erik Granberg and JOE BAGLEY's guest was David Moore.

### Announcements

JIM SHATTOCK informed us that the Reno trip was fun and profitable for most who went. JOE described the dictionary that is being used for the Dictionary Project. Sounds like a good book. JOE also announced that we need a chair for the GSE exchange program this year. MICHAEL BROWN explained how the exchange program for youth works. JOE told us about the upcoming Sporting Clay event. He also announced that our membership is still down and we need new members. Recruit new members! He also informed us that the Carl Rehffuss Fund now has over \$12,000 in it. He encouraged everyone to contribute to it so we can build it to the point that it is generating significant funds. A joint meeting with the Richmond Exchange Club is being planned for the first time.

Salesian High School was generous in donating their cafeteria for the Rotary Christmas Party. As a result, the board decided to contribute a new TV and VCR to Salesian High as a thank you. TED ABREU is heading up the Principal for a Day program. There are 52 schools in the district, so there is room for many Rotarians to be involved. CHARLIE ORMAN encouraged everyone to participate. Also, CHARLIE is retiring from Chevron. Congratulations on your years of service!

### Recognitions

JACK MATKIN celebrated his anniversary. We haven't seen you in awhile JACK, welcome back. MICHAEL BROWN also had an anniversary.

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Happy \$\$\$\$

CHARLIE FENDER was happy for CAL. STONEY was happy for four years in business in Richmond. He also had \$\$\$ for Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday. MALCOLM LEE was happy about the success of the children's Christmas gift drive and that Pat Robertson was coming to the Rescue Mission. ELOF was happy that he's "free at last". WALTER CONNOLLY was happy that his new project, the Xing Cafe, passed all inspections and will open soon. He got hit with extra \$\$\$ for unabashed advertising. JOE KELMAN returned from Reno with more \$\$\$ in his pocket than when he left. JACK MATKIN recognized CHARLIE ORMAN for his years at Chevron. PREZ JOE was sad for the 49ers and JIM BEAVER was happy that catchers and pitchers will soon be reporting for Spring training. Jeff Rubin, our guest speaker, was happy that he's getting married.

Program

Chairperson of the Day, DAVID KUCHENTHAL, introduced Jeff Rubin, the owner of "Put it in Writing", a Pinole based newsletter publishing service. Jeff has published over 750 newsletters over the last 17 years for clients including Mechanics Bank. Aside from a bad Raiders joke, he was very informative. He discussed how important it is that we present ourselves well in public. He showed examples of how our personal appearance and behavior effects others' image of ourselves. He then presented examples of how written pieces effect our

image. He showed examples of poorly written and designed newsletters, flyers and brochures, pointing out misspellings that computer spell check programs don't catch and design DOs and DON'Ts. He explained the four types of marketing pieces he works with: newsletters, flyers, brochures and advertisements. He concentrates his business on newsletters, telling us about their long-term relationship-building value. He reviewed the ten keys to creating a successful newsletter, highlighting the importance of using the newsletter to establish yourself or company as an expert. Don't use it for direct selling, but instead to build a long-term relationship built on trust and respect.

Raffle

Raffle winners were WALTER CONNOLLY and JUDY MORGAN.

Notes taken by  
JEFF NATHANSON.

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### **ANYA BINSACCA, former Ambassadorial Scholar**

When we last saw her, Anya addressed our club along with the world's most famous English Ambassadorial Scholar, Becky Beasley. Anya and Becky did a "tag team" type of speech that was both entertaining and informative.

Since then Anya has completed her year abroad. She completed the "M. Phil." course at the Institute of Criminology at the University of Cambridge in England. She spent two terms of course work and one term of research towards a thesis. Seminars included Gender & Crime, Psychiatry & Crime, Race & Crime and Modern Prisons. Her thesis was titled "Black Woman in Prison: An Exploration of the Issues".

Before she left the U.S., Anya found time to graduate from Boalt Law School and pass the California Bar exam. (Yes... she's an attorney.) She is currently clerking for a judge at the Federal Court in Sacramento, the current venue for the Unabomber trial.

*Don't miss this program. Guests, family and friends are welcome.*

Chairperson of the Day: DAVID SMITH

Door Duty: DAVID BROWN & MICHAEL McDONALD

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1998

### **"Making Sense of the Asian Financial Crisis"**

JOANNA MOSS, PhD

Door Duty: ERLE BROWN & TOM MCGOWAN

#### **Upcoming Program:**

Feb. 27 - Cliff Dochterman, Past President, Rotary International - *Members are urged to invite guests, family and friends.*

## **LAST WEEK**

It was a Fog Day Afternoon... We were welcomed to the house on the hill by PRES JOE with the Pledge to the Flag. The thought, or lack thereof, was provided by punster JAM SHATTOCK who led (lead) us astray...

Visiting Rotarians were (Rep) Peter Campbell from Berkeley and pair of Valle-hos Ed Schwafel and (free advertising...) Jack Anthony.

Guests included Terry Boyle (DAVID BROWN), the lovely Eva (HANS SHAPER), Mary Pelanne (MARKKU), and David Moore with a slow-on-the-draw PRES JOE.

Critics Corner was especially active today, so be forewarned...

Fellow punster, VP JOHN NICOL, not to be outdone, proffered a tale regarding Elway and the Super Bowl (something along the lines of Dewey beating Truman...)

Good News...Joint meeting with the Exchange Club, our house, February 20th.



Bad News...Recently retired CHARLIE ORMAN is also resigning from Rotary; buddy, we're gonna miss you.

Peter Campbell, who came for the food, but stayed for the program, teamed with our own PAM JONES to announce some details regarding the Dictionary Project. The books are terrific, and will be "stickered" at the District Conference by all of us; PRES JOE urges all to attend.

## **Recognitions**

DAVID BROWN, birthday and a commercial, \$100 to the Community. "Dr. DON MILLER, "always happy to be here", \$100 to Foundation. JOHN NICOL, b-d (do you see a pattern developing here?) \$100, cash of course, to wife Felicia's Paul Harris. HANS SHAPER, yup, you guessed it, and the check really is in the mail.

Happy Dollars (a SHAPER invention), from prodigal son BART WALLACE, happy to be able to spend money CHARLES RAMSEY, something fishy from DAVID THE "K", melodious BILL REID sponsoring the visiting Oakland Symphony, off to Mexico ERLE BROWN, happy to report a doing better Wes Seapy from

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JONATHAN LAWLIS, and a couple each from BAGLEY and PELANNE celebrating total communication.

Program

Our guest speaker, Stan Siry, was introduced by JOE KELMAN (see bio last week). Stan confirmed for us that "Intelligence" is indeed a relative term. Stan was an integral part of the new-since-Desert-Storm joint intelligence cooperative on the military side. Stan is a Reserve, and works for Harbor Plastics as an outside salesman; but found Bosnians a tough sell...

Mr. Siry was quick to point out that his presentation was, in fact, his and only his opinion. He proceeded to explain that the current conflict is a mere extension of the war that has ebbed and flowed for over 2000 years in the Balkan States area (323 BC). Further, he stated that, despite propaganda to the contrary, the current conflict has nothing to do with "ethnic cleansing", religious, or cultural differences; but simple unmitigated greed. Greed for power, for real estate, for capital gain, for control. Stan had several maps that show the areas controlled by the various factions which include the Croats (supported by the Germans), the Serbs (supported by the Russians), the Muslims (supported by Iraq), and the U.N. (that's us, as in U.S.). He closed by saying all parties are guilty at one time or other, and to one degree or another of all the pain and ugliness that has plagued the area of late. Lastly, the only way that he saw aid being administered was in the re-arming of all participants, while the poor and disenfranchised remained destitute.

Former Pres DAVID SMITH announced a visit by Rotary emissary Anya Binsacca, just back from Cambridge.

The raffle (no, Tipper's not back yet...) was won by DAN READY and LESLIE LEVY.

One mo time,

DAVID ALMEIDA

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1998

### "Making Sense of the Asian Financial Crisis"

JOANNA MOSS, Ph.D.

Joanna Moss, Ph.D., will be our speaker this week. She is a full professor at San Francisco State University, Department of Economics, and an Economic Consultant in appraisal of economic loss and expert testimony since 1976.

She attended the University of Uppsala, Sweden and received her B.A. from San Francisco State University majoring in Interdisciplinary Social Science (emphasis in economics); M.A. (with honors) in Economics and her Ph.D. in Economics from Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research with her major specializations being labor economics and international trade and monetary affairs.

Publications by Dr. Moss include "The Evolution of Trade Under the Lome Convention: The First Ten Years", EEC and Third World: A Survey 6: Emerging Japanese Economic Influence in Africa; and "Trade Between the ACP and EEC during Lome I", EEC and the Third World: A Survey 3, just to name a few.

Chairperson of the Day: LESLIE LEVY

Door Duty: ERLE BROWN & TOM MCGOWAN

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1998

### "Health Problems Faced by Women in the '90s"

DR. KIM T. GRAHL

Door Duty: MICHAEL BROWN & JOHN MEDLOCK

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#### Upcoming Program:

Feb. 27 - Cliff Dochterman, Past President, Rotary International - *Members are urged to invite guests, family and friends.*

## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOE led us in the Pledge to the Flag, and our Millennium President, DON LAU, provided us with the Thought for the Day.

Our only visiting Rotarian was Bill Van Dyk from San Pablo, who also informed us that make-up meetings at the San Pablo Club could be very lucrative considering the stash of \$\$\$\$\$ available with their marble game. Meetings are held at the Casino San Pablo. Rotarians with guests included LAURIE LINDENBAUM with four Job Shadows whose names came fast and furious and I was unable to get and MICHAEL FENLEY with Job Shadows Patti Martinez and Sylvia Castro. PRESIDENT JOE introduced David Moore.

#### Announcements:

- JOE NUSBAUM let us all know that as a club we're 89 members strong. That's the good news. The not so good news is, that's down from roughly 95 at the start of the year. Retirement, relocation and....lack of Lotto winners are to blame??? (See what happens when MARK the Scribe doesn't do this.)

- Sunshine Committee Chair DAVID K informed us that WES SEAPY is back home. Best wishes and a speedy recovery WES.

- Has anybody seen MICHAEL (also a Dodger fan) FENLEY's red badge? Probably not since he has graduated to his blue badge. Congratulations MICHAEL.

- CAROLE SELIGER informed us she's on the make for help preparing roughly 1500 dictionaries at this year's "All New District Conference". The dictionaries our Club will prepare will be given to every third grade student in Richmond. DG George Chaffey has committed all of District 5160's resources to put one of these dictionaries into every third grader's hand, district-wide. An incredible idea, an incredible goal; this is the spirit of Rotary in its purest form. See CAROLE to sign up.

- TROY PEWITT is looking for the last Host Family for the upcoming GSE Team visit. For a great experience, see TROY for details.

- This year's Christmas in April project is pending. We're looking for a house "Captain" to coordinate our efforts. There is a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, February 4, to start the planning process. See PRES. JOE for details.

#### Recognitions and Happy Dollars:

TED ABREU celebrated an Anniversary with a contribution to his Paul Harris. BOB NICCOLLS was sad about Stanford's 1st loss. CHARLIE FENDER was happy

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about Cal's win. DON LAU offered everyone a Happy Chinese New Year. There seemed to be come controversy concerning a new member indoctrination meeting with Secretary JOE, past Pres. DAN and Incoming Pres. JOHN.....but that would be too easy.

Before introducing our guest speaker, Past President DAVID SMITH passed on some information concerning the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship program. There are approximately 1200 scholarships given annually worldwide, usually 5-7 within our own district. They value \$22,000.00 each. Our district typically receives only three applications per Scholarship. To qualify, the applicant should be at least a junior in college or currently in Graduate School. See DAVID for details.

**Program**

Anya Binsacca, former Ambassadorial Scholar, received her B.S. degree in Criminal Justice from UCLA. She graduated from Boalt Hall Law School, passed her California Bar Exam and is currently clerking for the Honorable Milton Schwarz in Sacramento. Her scholarship was to Cambridge University where she studies Criminology. Her specific focus was on black women in prison where she noticed that, although black women made up 12-18% of the female prison population, they made up roughly only 2% of the female population in general. Anya shared a different perspective of tradition with us. The Corpus Christi School at Cambridge was founded in the Sixteenth Century. I could

not help but feel a little strange thinking that here in the "Colonies" we refer to tradition as being 100-200 years old, and that refers to Beer!!! Slightly different, eh. Concerning Rotary in England, Anya noticed that women seemed under-represented at the clubs she visited.

**Raffle**

DAN TANITA brought home the Vino, while NORM FOLEY took the Cutty.



Hoping to remain your third string scribe,  
JOE KELMAN

**REMINDERS:**

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1998



### CLIFFORD DOCHTERMAN

World President  
Rotary International  
1992-93

Chairman  
The Rotary Foundation  
1997-98

\*\*\*\* LADIES DAY \*\*\*\*

Cliff Dochterman served for 40 years in higher education administration at the University of the Pacific and the University of California before his retirement in 1990. Dr. Dochterman has been active in many national, civic and professional organizations. He is the recipient of the George Washington Honor Medal of the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge for his contributions to the American way of life. He has been awarded three of the highest honors of the Boy Scouts of American, the Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope and Distinguished Eagle awards. He has served as president of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce, the 49er Council of the Boy Scouts of America, chairman of the San Joaquin Parks and Recreation Commission and a member of the California State Council for the Humanities.

For 39 years, Cliff has been a member of Rotary International. His leadership culminated in 1992-93 when he was selected to be the world president. He has been honored and decorated by the heads of state of many nations for his contributions to goodwill and understanding in the world. Rotary International presented him with its Distinguished Service Award for his continuing humanitarian work throughout the world and his initial leadership in creating the PolioPlus program to immunize all children of the world against polio.

Cliff is currently chairman of the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation, which provides over \$58 million annually in scholarships, educational programs and humanitarian projects throughout the world.

Door Duty: HERB COLE & JUDY MORGAN

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1998

### "Web Site Secrets"

RICHARD HANSON

Door Duty: WALTER CONNOLLY & GORDON MYERS

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOE led us in the pledge to the flag and gave us a thought for the day.

### Visitors and Guests:

JOE introduced Susan McCloskey, President of the Exchange Club. Susan introduced 12 visiting Exchange Club members (sorry there's not room to list them all, but it was great having them join us!) Marvin Collins was visiting from El Cerrito. HANS SHAPER's guest was Eva; JUDY MORGAN's guests were Isabelle Emerson and Jamie Wood; LOREN STRAUGHN introduced his wife Carole; RICH BRANDES' guest was Mary Otani from the League of Women Voters; RICHARD ALEXANDER's guest was his son Nathan; MARKKU's guest was his son Matthew; JOE BAGLEY's guests were his wife Rita and Father Chris Wirtz.

Sergeant at Arms JONATHAN LAWLIS then rolled out the red carpet for new members STEVEN KOBAYASHI sponsored by DAN TANITA and GEORGE EGAN introduced by JOE NUSBAUM and sponsored by JOHN NICOL, who was in San Jose for the President Elect Training Seminar (PETS). Congratulations and welcome to the club!

### Announcements:

JOE NUSBAUM announced that he received a totally unexpected, fantastic surprise in the mail in the form of a \$1,000 check for the Dictionary Project from none other than DAVID CALFEE. Thank you DAVID!!! PRESIDENT JOE then thanked Mechanics Bank and BILL REID for also donating \$1,000 to the project. What a week!

JOE B. announced that the annual joint meeting of Richmond and Berkeley Rotary will be March 18 at H's Lordships. We then had, not one but two "Who Am I" talks. The first was from JOE NUSBAUM (who is not a new member). The second was from Judge LAUREL LINDENBAUM, who is a new member. Susan McCloskey then spoke about the Exchange Club which is a service

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club not unlike Rotary and does great work in the community. DAVID SMITH talked about how Rotary is 93 years old and gave an overview of the history and good work of Rotary. RICH BRANDES described the joint project between the League of Women Voters, the Exchange Club and Rotary to publish a brochure for first time voters. A check was presented to Mary Otani from the League.

With the packed program, there were no Recognitions or Happy \$\$\$s.

**Program:**

MICHAEL BROWN introduced John Ziesenhenné who in turn introduced Carla Della Zoppa who spoke about the RICHMOND READS project of the Chamber of Commerce. From her talk, it is evident that there is a huge illiteracy problem in this country. Statistics are staggering: like 1 in 10 adult Americans are illiterate and in some neighborhoods locally, 1 in 3 are. The Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP) is doing a great job of tutoring adults, with the goal of raising reading levels from under sixth grade to over eighth grade level. Volunteers are needed to work. Each volunteer reading tutor is asked to make a 10 month commitment for 2 hours per week. Call LEAP to sign up.

**Raffle:**

Raffle winners were JUDY MORGAN, JOE KELMAN and guest (and LEAP director) Isabelle Emerson.

Notes taken by yours truly,  
JEFF NATHANSON

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### "Health Problems Faced by Women in the '90s"

DR. KIM T. GRAHL

Kim Grahl, M.D., was born and raised in Wisconsin. She graduated magna cum laude from Bryn Mawr College with a degree in Biology. Dr. Grahl earned her medical degree from the University of California, San Francisco, where she also completed her internship and residency training in Internal Medicine.

Dr. Grahl's husband, Robert, is also a physician. Together, they enjoy a variety of activities such as running, scuba diving and travel.

She will be addressing the health problems women face in the 90s. Her specialty is osteoporosis.

Door Duty: MICHAEL BROWN & JOHN MEDLOCK

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1998

### "Richmond Reads"

CARLA DELLA ZOPPA

Door Duty: TOM BUTT & DON MILLER

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### Visitors and Guests

Gary Pokorny was visiting from the El Cerrito Club. DAVE BROWN's guest was his job shadow, Stephanie Harper, who also was celebrating her 18th birthday; BILL REID's guest was fellow banker Brian Pretti; OSCAR LUGO's guest was his job shadow David Sadick; JUDGE LINDENBAUM's guest was Judge Diane Bechman Brown; and JOE BAGLEY's guests were Brian Kravitz and Father Chris Wirtz.

### Announcements



JOE NUSBAUM said kind words about WES SEAPY. DAVID KUCHENTHAL informed us that PETE BRAY's wife is ill. A card was circulated. PREZ JOE, representing WERNER SCHWARZ, asked for a vote adopting a new resolution clarifying the process for the governor's election. It passed unanimously. PREZ JOE reminded us to see LLOYD HENRY to sign up for the golf tournament. JOE also encouraged all to attend the San Pablo Rotary and enter the raffle -- the odds are great!

### Recognitions

A real old recognition: MICHAEL FENLEY celebrated his 14th anniversary with his wife Julie (who's June anyway?) on Xmas eve. TOM MCGOWAN missed door duty and contributed his \$25 plus celebrating his birthday. JOE KELMAN had a double whammy with a birthday and an anniversary.

### Happy \$\$\$s

DAVID K. was happy for the money he's going to make as a result of BRIAN's talk several weeks ago. Father Chris was happy that Salesian High received the generous gift of a TV from Rotary. He was also somewhat surprised that he had to pay to say thanks! How did he

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think we got the money to buy the TV anyway??? JEFF N. was happy that the Richmond Art Center just completed the first phase of collaboration with the Armory Center for the Arts in Pasadena. BART WALLACE was happy to be back (it's good to have you back, BART).

Program

LESLIE LEVY introduced Joanna Moss, Ph.D., as a "superwoman". And, judging from the introduction and the talk, I would agree that Dr. Moss is impressive. Dr. Joanna Moss is an economics professor at SF State University. Her talk was "Making Sense of the Asian Financial Crisis". The background for the crisis began in the 1970s with oil price increases. The countries involved are Thailand, South Korea, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines.

These countries were the "Darlings" of international investors with hundreds of billions of US dollars pouring in. South East Asian investors borrowed US dollars at much lower interest rates than the currency in their own countries. South East Asian economics became tied to the dollar.

Last summer the big problems started in Thailand. Their currency was devalued by 17%. The same scene was repeated in the other countries. This meant that investors were not able to repay loans. The debt crisis was also a currency crisis. The International Monetary Fund (IMF)

came in to attempt to maintain order. The IMF is very controversial. They required borrowing countries to reform their banking and business practices. Dr. Moss explained the "Moral Hazard" of the IMF bail out -- critics felt that if countries were bailed out, they couldn't be accountable or responsible for reforming their banking and business practices.

The plan is to roll over and elongate the debt by providing funds to viable, non-corrupt and solvent businesses. They are being encouraged to finance through stocks and bonds rather than banks. The good news is that imports and foreign production will be cheap. This will be hard on domestic manufacturers, but Southeast Asian countries are actually very small trading partners, so the U.S. economy should not be greatly affected. I hope she's right.

Raffle




Raffle winners were MIKE WINTER and Dr. Moss.

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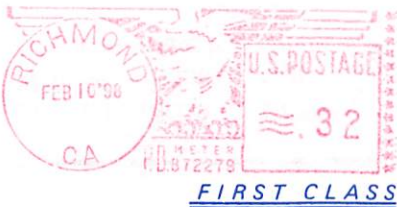
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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1998

### **"Web Site Secrets"**

**RICHARD HANSON**

Our guest speaker will be Richard Hanson, Rotary District's Computer Communication Committee Chair and Web Master. Rick shares insights through discussion and handouts about three important topics:

- 1) How Rotarians and Rotary Clubs may use the district Web Site,
- 2) The importance of publishing the District 5160 Web Site in club newsletters, and
- 3) Web Site Secrets: Striving for Universal Access--a fact-filled program on leadership in the development process of 100% audience-viewable site. This is a leadership program for the Rotarian as a leader in the sensitive arena of online presentations. Prior technical knowledge not assumed or necessary.

Chairperson of the Day: **DAVID SMITH**

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1998

### **"The Challenges of a New Urban Elementary School"**

**MARCO GONZALES**  
Principal  
Cesar Chavez Elementary School

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## **LAST WEEK**

PRESIDENT JOE led us in the pledge to the flag. A "cold" thought for the day was given by MIKE WINTER quoting Frost on brain freeze. JOE introduced some distinguished guests sitting at the head table: District Governor George Chaffey and Past District Governor H. Peter Faye.

## **Visitors and Guests:**

There was a plethora of visiting Rotarians including Barb D'Anneo, Club President and Brian Donahue, Berkeley; Stacy Boschette, Tay Wheeler and Jeff Adams from Lamorinda-Sunrise; and Marvin Collins, Verne Odlin, Barbara Cronin and Gary Buffon from El Cerrito (sorry, if I missed anyone). Rotarians with guests included: CHARLEY WONG with wife Jean, NORM FOLEY with wife Bonnie, HANS SHAPER with friend Eva; STONEY with his job shadow Rashid, JIM SHATTOCK with wife Valerie, DON HARDISON with his wife Betty, MARKKU PELANNE with friend Lou Perrata, our own past DG WERNER SCHWARZ with his one and only Lea, and JOE with his wife Rita and guest Father Chris Wirtz.


## **Announcements:**

JOE showed everyone a sample of the tag that will be on the computers we donated to Salesian.

Guest Jeff Adams reminded us all of the upcoming District Conference on May 1-2...24 hours of non-stop Rotary excitement. This "new" and improved conference will feature teaching everyone about what Rotary is, a hands-on project involving 28,000 dictionaries, and partying!!! What more could you ask for?

Guest Brian Donahue talked about the Rotary Club's "Life Club" which had its roots with our speaker Cliff Dochterman who Brian presented with a pin, hat and shirt. Also recognized was our own MICHAEL BROWN who served as Vice President 1992-97.

Past President CHARLEY WONG gave us an "Old Timer Who Am I" taking us back to the 1920s and CHARLEY'S youth spent in San Francisco. As a third generation Chinese American, his experience included life on the Barbary Coast, a stint in the Navy, education at Cal, his marriage to Jean and their 5 children. CHARLEY'S professional life included 45 years in retail. CHARLEY is proud of his affiliation with Rotary. At the end of his speech, Cliff Dochterman presented to CHARLEY the

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first Rotary International Board of Directors approved "4 Avenues of Service Award". A well deserved standing ovation followed.

JOE recognized DAVE NINOMIYA for his kindness in always providing roses for our club.

**Program:**

Our own WERNER SCHWARZ introduced past World President of Rotary International and current Chairman of the Rotary Foundation, Cliff Dochterman, who started PolioPlus and the 3 H Program. Those of you not in attendance missed an extremely entertaining as well as informative speech. After the laughter settled after a slew of "old" jokes, small Rotary Club jokes and mom stories, Cliff informed us of the progress being made in bringing Rotary back to Russia and the Eastern European countries. We all take service for granted, but in Russia the concept of helping others and service without financial reward must be taught. Re-starting Rotary is an uphill battle because of the economic conditions, the large geographical area (9 time zones), little knowledge of Rotary International, people's lack of confidence in the future and alcoholism. Progress is being made by matching established Rotary Clubs with newly formed clubs.

**Raffle:**




Lucky Irishman DAN READY won the "scotch" wine and yours truly won the red.

Your humble fill-in scribe,  
DON LAU

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### "The Challenges of a New Urban Elementary School"

**MARCO GONZALES**

Principal

Cesar Chavez Elementary School

Marco grew up on South 17th Street in Richmond and is a 1974 graduate of Kennedy High School. He is a 1978 graduate of UC San Diego and obtained both teaching and administrative credentials from Cal State-Hayward. He taught in the West Contra Costa School District for 6 years and is in his 8th year as an elementary school principal for the District. Marco lives in El Cerrito with his wife Chris (who is a teacher in the District) and their 9 year old daughter Cammie.

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1998

### "Jobs, Business Development & Retention and Health Code"

**KEITH CARSON**

Supervisor

Alameda County, District 5

Chairperson of the Day: TED SMITH

Door Duty: MICHAEL DOWNER & ROBERT NICCOLLS

## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOE led us in the pledge to the flag and PETE BRAY provided us with the thought for the day.

### Visitors and Guests:

Neil was visiting from the El Cerrito Club. DAVID MOORE's guest was Patricia Hartnett. JOE BAGLEY's guest was Father Chris Wirtz.

### Announcements:

PRESIDENT JOE informed us that Cliff Dochterman received a "conservative" Jerry Garcia tie as a gift. JOHN NICOL announced that the new district directory is being produced. Anyone who would like to be listed must sign up and pay \$20 within the week. PRESIDENT JOE let us know that we will be in the Red Room on March 20 and 27. He also received a thank you card from WES SEAPY's family. BOB NICCOLLS was presented with a certificate from the Salvation Army for bell ringing at Christmas. JUDGE LINDENBAUM was presented with her blue badge. The Ed. fund is looking for nominations for their annual Distinguished Citizen Award. RICH BRANDES is organizing Christmas in April. The house, which was described by CHIEF LANSDOWNE and MICHAEL DOWNER, will be worked on April 25. MICHAEL then announced the "Run for Life" fundraiser -- flyers were distributed -- runners and sponsors are needed. The joint meeting with the BERKELEY CLUB is at Hs' Lordships on March 18.

New member DAVID MOORE gave his "Who Am I" talk. It was good to hear that someone from a small farm town in Illinois, who spent time in Chicago, would come to California to go to art school! And then on to success as a web site designer with his own firm Sincere Design. Good job DAVID.

### Recognitions:

It was ERLE BROWN's birthday which warranted a generous donation to the Rotary Foundation.

### Happy \$\$\$:

PETE BRAY was happy that his wife is well on the road to recovery and they are going to the Indy 500. BOB NICCOLLS was happy because of his ski trip to Alpine where he discovered that we have a good chance at competing in the Rotary ski competition. REN PARTRIDGE had \$\$ because his daughter is engaged. JUDGE LINDENBAUM had \$50 for missing her

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birthday, Valentine's Day, for the Dictionary Project and as a thanks to all the people who helped make the Job Shadow program a success. LESLIE LEVY was happy for her bratty son the actor. JEFF NATHANSON was sad that the Richmond Art Center cafe is temporarily closed, but happy that RAC received a \$105,000 grant for youth programs. CHARLIE FENDER was sad for the Cal ball game but happy for his granddaughter's acceptance to college.

Program:

DAVID SMITH has applications for ambassadorial scholars. He then introduced Rick Hanson, Rotary's Communications Chair and Web Master. Rick does a lot of work for agriculture. He described the Rotary Web site as a tool for Rotarians. He talked about the speakers bureau and other services and resources available including schedules and lists of all Rotary club schedules for make-up. He requested PRESIDENT JOE that the Web Site address be permanently listed in the Flywheel. It is [www.rotary5160.org](http://www.rotary5160.org).

He then talked about Web Site Secrets and described the world wide web as a "world wide mess". Rotary should be a cut above the average. He talked about the on-line audience as being 70% people who will turn off the graphics because they are using outdated slow equipment and want info to load faster. He explained that web page design is important on three levels: for people without any graphics capabilities, for the 70% who chose to turn

off the graphics to speed things up and the rest who have newer, more powerful and faster computers. Aside from the never ending stream of bad puns and prune jokes, the talk was entertaining and informative.

Raffle:



Raffle winners were BILL WAHBEH and PETE BRAY.

Notes taken with great literary vigor by  
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### "Jobs, Business Development & Retention, and Health Care"

**KEITH CARSON**  
Supervisor  
Alameda County, District

Keith Carson was elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1992 on a platform dedicated to inclusive and accessible government. He brings his experience as an activist, a small businessperson, a Congressional Aide and a community liaison to his work as representative of the 5th District. He seeks to bring together the wealth of talent and creative resources that exist in this area to find solutions to the problems of access to health care, poverty, homelessness, crime, business retention and scarcity of jobs in our communities.

Keith serves as: President of the Board of Supervisors for the 97-98 term; Chair of the Alameda County Economic Development Alliance for Business (EDAB); Chair of the Finance, Budget & Policy Committee for California State Association of Counties (CSAC) - a 58 county statewide supervisors organization and Chair of its statewide Urban Counties Caucus (UCC); Chair of the Alameda County Transportation Authority; and is a Member of the Alameda County Waste Management Authority.

Keith also serves on the Board of Directors as Vice-Chair for the East Bay Conversion and Reinvestment Commission; he is Chair of the Finance Committee for the Greater Oakland International Trade Center (GOITC); and is a Member of the Oakland Base Reuse Authority (OBRA).

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## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOE provided number "13" decals in honor of Friday the 13th. He then led us in the pledge to the flag and DAVID BROWN gave us a thought for the day.

## Visitors and Guests:

Lucia Owens was visiting from the Berkeley Club; JUDY MORGAN's guest was Jim Ellis; JOE BAGLEY's was Father Chris Woerz.

## Announcements:

PREZ JOE passed the dictionary around so everyone could check it out. Very impressive. The annual meeting with Berkeley Rotary is March 18 at Hs' Lordships. DONNA BELL passed around a sign up sheet. Reminder: if you have door duty and don't get a replacement you will be fined \$25. DAN TANITA talked about membership. We're at the lowest level in over 20 years!!! Everyone should invite at least one potential member to lunch during the year. Please work on recruiting new members.

DAVID NINOMIYA gave a "Who Am I" from a veteran member's perspective. He joined the club in 1961. Born in Richmond, he was relocated with his family during World War II, but they returned to Richmond and he graduated from Richmond High. He received a BS in horticulture from Ohio State and his family business became the fourth largest grower of roses in the U.S. He also helped to get the rose recognized as the official flower of the U.S.

CAROLE SELIGER then gave her "Who Am I". Moving in an opposite directions from DAVID, she was born and raised in Ohio and then moved west to California for school at SF State and UC Berkeley. She got a law degree and specializes in labor law and labor relations. She's also very interested in education and is pleased to be part of the dictionary project. With her "Who Am I" CAROLE received her blue badge. Congratulations CAROLE!

TOM McGOWAN then announced that he stopped by WALTER CONNOLLY's new "Crossings Cafe". Everyone should stop by for a glass of wine and show your support.

JOE announced that he and DON LAU will be lip synching as the "Beagles" at Salesian High on Saturday night from 7 - midnight.

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Recognitions:

JON LAWLIS celebrated his 16th anniversary with \$100. JOE B also indicated that he had a check from JON in memory of WES SEAPY. DON LAU (aka George Harrison) celebrated 9 years of wedded bliss.

Program:

DON LAU introduced Marco Gonzales, principal of Cesar Chavez Elementary School. Marco is a Richmond native who graduated from Kennedy High. DON described him as a real gem of Richmond. Marco was formerly principal of Lincoln School and worked closely with Rotary. He is very happy with the challenge of his new assignment at Chavez. The school is brand new and has a great building. He talked about how the school got built and named. It was designed for 600 students, but they had over 700 students clamoring to get in. The playground and field are very popular and people are there all the time after hours.

He said that people mentioned to him they thought the school belonged in San Ramon because it's so nice. He replied that it is the kind of school that belongs in all districts. They are working on academic achievement and after school programs in the arts and sports. He is working with the district to make it a model of physical and academic achievement. Great job Marco.

JOE NUSBAUM reminded everyone to pay attention to where you put your badge away.

There was no Raffle, ha ha!


Notes scribbled by yours truly,  
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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1998

### **"School-to-Career"**

**DEVI JAMESON**

Devi Jameson is Director of the School-to-Career program for the West Contra Costa Unified School District. She is also the district's Supervisor for Vocational Education and Transition programs. In her School-to-Career capacity she has led the effort to bring business, industry and community together into partnership with schools. She has also assisted district schools in making the changes necessary to create curriculum and programs more relevant to today's work and career needs.

Mrs. Jameson is also an accomplished grant writer whose efforts have garnered many thousands of dollars for District vocational and career programs. She is very knowledgeable about the current job outlook, making her an outstanding resource for those who are preparing our students for the future.

Just last Friday, she, in conjunction with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce, Kaiser Permanente and other local businesses and organizations, presented a rewarding, and thought-provoking School-to-Career staff development day for WCCUSD secondary teachers and administrators.

Chairperson of the Day: TED ABREU

Door Duty: CHARLIE FENDER and JOHN NICOL

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1998

### **"Cazadero Music Camp"**

**KENT STEWART**  
Director

Door Duty: NORM FOLEY and DAVID NINOMIYA

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1998

### **"Christmas in April AUCTION"**

## **LAST WEEK**

Working the Red Room, PRESIDENT JOE led us in the pledge to the flag, and ERLE BROWN provided us with the thought for the day.

## **Visitors and Guests:**

MICHAEL FENLEY's guest was Latecia Rolas. DAVE ALMEIDA's guests were his daughters.

## **Announcements:**

PREZ JOE provided us with a financial report. Due to everyone's generosity, the Dictionary Project is fully funded. We now need donations to the Community Fund, Carl Reh fuss Fund, etc. RICH BRANDES is organizing Christmas in April. The house, found by CHIEF LANS DOWNE, will be worked on on April 25. Volunteers are needed for all sorts of building and painting tasks. Sign up with RICH. also, the annual Richmond High School "practice job interviews" will held April 20 and 21. Twenty-four volunteers are needed for 3 1/2 hours each.

TOM MCGOWAN announced a joint project with Rotary in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. \$400 is needed for a new heater for the school there. He'll front the money, but he would like for three others to help out with \$100 each if anyone is interested. TROY PEWITT announced that plans are being made for the GSE teams from Brazil and Denmark. Hosts, guides and drivers are needed to the end of April. PAM JONES is signing up volunteers to help put Rotary stickers on dictionaries at the District Conference. Also, she needs help with distribution of dictionaries to schools.

MICHAEL FINLEY introduced Leticia Rolas who described the Junior Achievement program. Volunteers from the business community are needed to make five classroom presentations to students in grades K-6. 15-20 volunteers are needed before the end of the school year. ERLE BROWN announced that tickets are available for the Masquer's Theater benefit. \$35 gets you the play and dinner at the Hotel Mac. PRESIDENT JOE announced that the new district directory is being produced. Anyone who would like to be listed must sign up immediately with JOHN NICOL. JOE read a thank you letter from Salesian High for the TV and VCR. And, Martinez Rotary is selling 250 raffle tickets at \$100 each for the chance to win a Ford Mustang.

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**Recognitions:**  
It was STEVE LUDWIG's birthday and HENRY KELMAN's anniversary.

**Happy \$\$\$s**  
PETE BRAY was happy for his new granddaughter. DAVID BROWN was happy because he judged the Golden Gate Speech Tournament and found that the "leaders of tomorrow" are impressive! DON LAU (aka George Harrison) was happy for sweet 16. TROY is really happy 'cuz his wife is pregnant and he's going to be a dad!

**Program:**  
TED SMITH introduced supervisor Keith Carson from Alameda County who spoke on "Jobs, Business Development and Retention, and Health Care". He described the many similarities between Alameda and Contra Costa Counties -- especially between cities like Richmond and Oakland. Because of the similarities and the trend towards "regions" in federal block grant funding, the two counties are working very closely together. There have been big cuts in funding in recent years in social services, education, cultural services, recreation programs and even basics such as police.

The East Bay region has many great resources including agriculture, viticulture, ports, research facilities such as Lawrence Labs, universities and colleges. Fortune Magazine rated the Bay Area the best place in the U.S.

and the 2nd best in the world to do business. There are many opportunities and challenges for businesses. Mr. Carson chairs the Economic Development Alliance for Business and they are working on attracting and retaining businesses. He spoke about hi-tech and bio-tech. He also spoke about welfare reform and the work force. We have a strong academic and research environment. The transportation system is strong and the diversity of our population means that we have cultural roots all over the world.



**Raffle:**  
Raffle winners were chosen for last week and this week. Winners were OSCAR LUGO, DOUG STRAUS, JOE NUSBAUM and DAVID NINOMIYA.

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### "Cazadero Music Camp"

KENT STEWART  
Director

Kent Stewart, Executive Director, Cazadero Performing Arts Camp, heads the non-profit organization that has rebuilt the Cazadero Music Camp program. He directs the camp in the summer, over seeing a 60-member camp staff. Kent is a product of Berkeley Schools and UC Berkeley (Music and Political Science), and was born and raised in Berkeley, now living in Lafayette.

Before Caz, Kent ended a 15 year career in medical products sales to travel for two years with his wife around every state in the Continental U.S. (and 6 provinces). When the call came in 1994 for alumni who might help with the efforts to resurrect the camp, Kent and his wife Patty, who first met at camp in 1969, were conveniently available to pitch in and have served the organization since.

Kent joined Berkeley Rotary in 1996, and with the three months at camp each summer, he will be making up for the rest of his Rotary life.

Title of Speech: "Who said a 40-year old good idea can't work today? The rebirth of Cazadero Music Camp"

Chairperson of the Day: CHARLIE FENDER

Door Duty: NORM FOLEY and DAVID NINOMIYA

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1998

### "Alternative Taxes"

Door Duty: ELOF GRANBERG and CHARLIE ORMAN

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1998

### "Christmas in April AUCTION"

#### REMINDER:

FRIDAY, MAY 8 - PICTURE DAY

100% ATTENDANCE

#### LAST WEEK

Once again in the Red Room, PRESIDENT JOE led us in the pledge to the flag, and DONNA BELL gave us the thought for the day.

#### Visitors and Guests:

Visiting Rotarians were Gary Pokorny and Steve Cartwright from the El Cerrito club. LESLIE LEVY's guest was Dale Lord. JOE BAGLEY's guest was Father Chris Woerz (for the last time).

Sergeant at Arms JONATHAN LAWLIS then rolled out the red carpet for FATHER CHRIS who received a standing ovation as the newest Rotarian.

#### Announcements:

LLOYD HENRY announced that he needs a few more golfers for May 14. Sign up with him -- \$55 to participate. PREZ JOE informed us that Universal is filming a new Robin Williams flick in Pt. Richmond about a humorous doctor (is that one who has everyone in stitches?!?!? asks NORM FOLEY). LESLIE LEVY announced that we will have a picnic on Sunday, June 7 at Kennedy Grove from 11-3. Also anyone interested in serving a one year commitment on the Contra Costa Grand Jury, see LESLIE.



HANK COVELL gave a Who Am I? talk. Born and raised in Richmond, HANK owes much to his involvement with the YMCA. He worked as a lawyer with Safeway and went into private practice in 1967. His wife Doreen (who he met at the "Y", is principal of Pinole Valley High. They have two sons, who HANK is very proud of.

#### Recognitions:

It was DON HARDISON's birthday, BILL REID's birthday, DAVE ALMEIDA's birthday and KATHRYN and RICHARD ALEXANDER's anniversary.

#### Happy \$\$\$

JONATHAN was happy that he didn't have to move during recognitions. BOB NICCOLLS was happy for

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Stanford and skiing. I think ERLE BROWN was happy for Stanford -- at least he was wearing red. JIM SHATTOCK was very happy that his daughter was just hired by Michael Tilson Thomas to play clarinet with the SF Symphony. It was FATHER CHRIS's birthday and we sang him "Happy Birthday". I hope he was happy after that amazing performance. DAVE ALMEIDA was happy for his kid's sports accomplishments.

**Program:**

TED ABREU introduced Devi Jameson, Director of the School-to-Career program for the West Contra Costa Unified School District. She explained that it is more than a "program". It is a whole system designed to help our students prepare to enter the modern workforce as part of the new global economy. There are over 100 community partners -- the board is chaired by Kaiser. The board helps steer the School-to-Career efforts. There are 5 comprehensive high schools and alternative sites. They have young people working with a high tech committee to bring technology into the schools. Participation of local business takes many forms from internships to job shadowing. The newest effort is having teachers intern in local corporations and then write curriculum based on their experience. Kids need adult role models, and the approach works well for that. She then showed a video tape that described the "micro-society" concept in which an entire school will function as a "society" as an alternative, or in addition to standard curriculum. It was very interesting to see kids functioning as bankers, in legal and justice jobs, as store clerks and more. It appears

to be a great way to get students interested in learning -- everything is applicable to the "real" world. Statistics so far show that kids in the "micro-society" schools are getting better test scores and generally doing better academically. WCCUSD micro-society training starts in September.

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JAMES C. REGO

James Rego, a private business owner, is now entering his 23rd year as a consultant to healthcare professionals. With a Sales and Marketing background, he has had the good fortune of working with some very successful healthcare practices all throughout the United States and Canada.

James has lived in the Bay Area most of his life. He is married and has 6 daughters and 5 grandchildren. He is a strong advocate of free enterprise and holds the philosophical belief that Production, Savings and Investment should be rewarded, not penalized, as is the case with our present Income Tax system.

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at Rockefeller Lodge.

MAY 22, Friday - "GSE Team"

## LAST WEEK

Our meeting was opened by PRES. JOE leading us in the pledge, followed by NORM FOLEY with a thought for the day about travelling First Class on the Titanic; comfy, yes, but tough to rack up those frequent flier miles...

Guests included Candy Miller (I didn't get her guest's name..), Ken Stuart (Stewart) from the Folsom club, Lucia Owens (a possible defection from the Berkeley club), Kent Stewart (Stuart) checking on possible defections from the Berkeley club, and all the way from the Windy City (no reflection on your oratory skills, Mr. President..) were the former Natalie Bagley and her husband Ed.

South America's loss is Eastern Europe's gain; no, not a Soccer trade, but the reassignment of the formerly designated FINCA funds. Originally destined for a small business loan bank in Guatemala, our ( and sister club Albany's additional \$1,500!) \$4,500 is now bound for the RECHARTERED Rotary Club of Vilnius. Doggedly pursuing this project to its successful conclusion is our own PRES. JOE. The funds will go toward the construction of a training and education center for the physically challenged...all right "Cubby"!!!

Former Pres. JIM BEAVER reminded all present re: "Auction in April", 4/17/98. We had so much fun, we're gonna do it again; bring money and a good attitude (cash is fine...)

REMINDER: Richmond High School mock job interviews April 20-21, 1998. We still need several volunteers. Come on, everyone; this is a great "hand on" program, sign up NOW (remember your first interview?). THANKS.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL also still needs sign ups; we will attempt to match your skills to the job assignment. All the coffee swilling, cigarette smoking and hanging around the water cooler supervisors jobs are spoken for, but several other more meaningful tasks remain, as yet unassigned...

PAM JONES reminded us about the Dictionary project at the District Conference; no word yet on the status for "Day Trippers" to work on them without attending the entire program, stay tuned...

TROY PEWITT was up to announce the GSE visit from Denmark and Brazil (nope, still no Soccer...), and is still seeking host sponsors.

LLOYD HENRY, who looked a lot like PRES. JOE, announced the Golf Tourney at RCC on 5/14 @ \$55 each; let's go all you Tiger wanna be's...

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LESLIE LEVY who, all by herself, is a bevy, was up to announce the upcoming club picnic; Sunday!, Sunday!, 6/7/98, 11-3 @ Kennedy Grove, which is almost in Richmond...

**Recognition:** JUDY MORGAN had a B-day and donated \$50 to her Paul Harris, any guesses as to which birthday was deferred...

**Happy Dollars:** DAVID the "K" that JOHN NICOL (one "C", one "L"... ) was "Better". DAVID SMITH that BAGLEY was able to prevail where others had struggled with the labyrinth of the Foundation and been smote mightily... ERLE BROWN that even an Ol'Blue could appreciate Stanford's basketball prowess... DOUG STRAUS for JOE taking the "fink" out of FINCA... REN PARTRIDGE for his wife's birthday... BOBBY "who is that guy?" MILLER for First Class treatment (not on the Titanic...) and JOE KELMAN for the "Boys of Summer", don't read anything extra into that...

**Program:** Our program was by Kent Stewart, Berkeley Rotarian, and noted musician, on Camp Cazadero. Cazadero was originally a City of Berkeley summer venue, and became a music Mecca in 1957 under founding director Bob Lutt in 1957. The program started small with one week courses, and gradually grew to two weeks, then to entire summers. The camp embraces all types of music from Chamber and Symphonic to Jazz and Modern.

Berkeley in the 60's and 70's was a funny place to be (I know...), and the City was forced to re-examine all its holdings and programs. Cazadero was put on the hit

list, and subsequently leased to a music based program spearheaded by former campers. The program today has no rival in terms of instructors, exposure to instruments and the ambience that only the Cathedral-like setting of a California Redwood grove can provide. The current camp director is Bob Calonico, whom I personally know as a great friend (12 years of Catholic school together, top that...) and musical genius extraordinaire ("Bobino" to his friends, but you'll have to ask him...).

We were treated to a short slide presentation of the camp and its amenities, both musical and evergreen. Kent closed with some information regarding scholarships available and the caveat that no student wanting to attend will be turned away; the same could not be said for either Stanford or Cal...

**Raffle:** Won by LESLIE LEVY and MIKE WINTER; I think it was more of the California vintage rather than the Loch Ness amplifier...

Thrust Upon Me,  
DAVID ALMEIDA, Acting Editor



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## AUCTION



### "Christmas in April AUCTION"

Bring a guest to join in the fun! Items left over from our Christmas Auction will be available for bidding along with other items. The proceeds from this auction will be used to offset the cost of our Spring Picnic. So please:

1. Bring an Auction Item
2. Bring your Checkbook
3. Bring a Guest

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#### LAST WEEK

Our meeting was opened by PRES. JOE leading us in a Good Friday pledge, followed by a Greek IRS thought by Mr. auditable information himself DON HARDISON. PRES. JOE asked all to remain standing for a moment of positive thought and prays for Andy Brown, son of ERLE and Phyllis who was in an accident.

Visiting Rotarians on this beautiful day in Richmond included: Rick Betts, Berkeley; soon-to-be one of our own Lucia Owens, Berkeley; and John McClure, Alameda. There were no Rotarians with guests.

#### Announcements:

JOE NUSBAUM kept us up to date with our own Marathon Man, 87 years young GERRY CULLEN, who joined our club in 1948 and will be participating in the Iron Horse Trail marathon as a benefit for the Leukemia Foundation. JOE suggested that the club make a contribution in support of GERRY.

LLOYD HENRY is still in search of a few good, there are no bad, golfers for the Rotary Tournament at RCC on 5/14. It's only \$55 to buy your way in.

PRES. JOE again reminded us of the Rotary District Conference on 5/1-2.

Dandy DON HARDISON informed us that the Red Oak Victory Ship is set to sail from Suisun to Richmond on 8/30. There will be an opportunity for actual participation on this historic journey under Capt. Jim Nolan as the Ship is brought to be docked at Shipyard #3. DON will keep us informed.

Mr. Photogenic himself, ELOF GRANBERG, informed us all that 5/8 is official group mug shot day...with the added bonus of it also being 100% participation day.

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Those of you not in the pic should expect PRES. JOE to pick some change out of your pocket!

G.S.E. team visits are set as follows: Denmark 5/20-25 and Brazil 5/25-30.

You gotta be "rich" to be a part of this team. RICH BRANDES and RICH ALEXANDER made the pitch for volunteers for our annual "hand" on Christmas in April date with CHIEF BILL's hand picked house (5124 Burlingame, Richmond-map available by call RICH ALEXANDER at 232-9100) on April 25th. The more hands we have the quicker the job can be done. All workers to report at 0800 hours!

Never one to rest, RICH BRANDES also reminded all of our "voice" on project...Job Interviews for all Richmond High School seniors scheduled for 5/20 and 21. RICH needs more volunteers!

Past President and #1 Auctioneer, JIM BEAVER, reminded all of our "Auction in April" this Friday 4/17. Bring things to auction as well as your's or a friend's checkbook.

Recognition:

Past President and 1/3 of the Club's architects, TOM BUTT, celebrated his March birthday with a check to the Community Fund.

Happy/Sad Dollars included:

STONEY for his niece's score of 1590 on the SATs, CHARLIE WONG was happy his niece (?) had her pick

of 7 different colleges...but sad she chose Stanford. Dapper RUSS SCHULZE was happy his schedule has changed so he can be with us on Fridays, and CHARLIE FENDER was sad that a fourth generation family member did not get into CAL.

Program:

With 5 days remaining to file our taxes, Chair of the Day DAN SANDERS introduced James C. Rego, a member of Citizens' for Alternative Tax System (CATS). CATS was formed to eliminate the Federal Income Tax, repeal the 16th Amendment, and institute a national sales tax. With the philosophical belief that productivity, saving and investment should be rewarded and not penalized, Mr. Rego, whose father pitched for the Seals and Oaks and once struck out Joltin' Joe D 3 times in one game (see what I was paying attention to), pitched the idea of supporting HR2001 (Tauzin-LA and Schaffer-CO) which would eliminate the federal income tax and replace it with a national sales tax. The sales tax would be set at 15-17% on retail purchases (items to be taxed to be determined). More information on HR2001 can be found at NRST.org or CATS.ORG. There was a lively discussion on CATS' proposal.

Raffle:

The white grape went to BOB NICCOLLS and KATHARINE's husband, a guy named RICH.

Now on to my taxes,  
DAN LAU

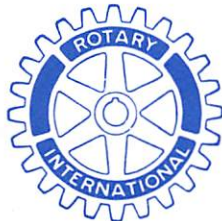
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Through special arrangements with similar real estate trade associations, Jerry serves in that same capacity for the 300 member Delta Association of REALTORS which serves industry professionals from Pittsburg to Discovery Bay as well as the Northern California Commercial Association of REALTORS whose more than 200 members come from throughout northern California.

Jerry Fish is a Licensed real estate broker and prior to his career as an association administrator he owned and operated PRO Real Estate in Antioch, California, for more than 16 years, during which time he was named the Delta Association's REALTOR of the Year in 1990 and served as that association's president in 1991.

During his 22 year real estate career Jerry has also participated on the California Association of REALTORS statewide committees for Consumer Protection and Real estate Standard Forms Development.

Jerry was the author of an 8 week real estate column for the West County Times in 1993 entitled Fish's Line on Real estate and has taught Department of Real estate approved classes on Real Estate Trust Fund Management at both Contra Costa College and Diablo Valley College.

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In PRES. JOE's absence and with less than 3 months before taking the podium for a year, Vice President JOHN NICOL looked very comfortable up front as he rang the bell and called our distinguished group together. TED ABREU, always the thoughtful one, gave us our opening thought.

Our one visiting Rotarian, whose regular attendance is better than some, was Lucia Owens of Berkeley...but soon to be one of us. Rotarians with guests: JON LAWLIS with his Operations Manager Dan, JUDY MORGAN with her designated shoppers Sandi Genser Mack and Michelle Itagaki, and STONEY with his very bright eyed mentee and grandson Jerry.

**Happy/Sad Dollars...**LESLIE LEVY was very happy for her son Ethan, DAN TANITA has resurrected his free sealant clinic that was started with Rotary Club support, TOM McGOWAN informed all there are just 2 opportunities left to sponsor heaters for a school in South Africa.

V-P JOHN, after his brief stint at the podium, turned it over to past podium hog and Past Pres. JIM BEAVER who presided over "Auction in April" and was assisted by the Lovely Past Presidents DOUG "Vanna" STRAUS and DAVID "Mr. Show Biz" SMITH. Indicating this was not

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our Major League Auction. but in fact our AAA or AA auction the BEAV proceeded to inform us of 2 generously donated auction items...TOM McGOWAN's famous Day-on-the-Bay and DAVE ALMEIDA's titillating high speed trip around the track (thanks guys).

It was a mellow, but lucrative afternoon of auctioning. Somehow there was injected a sense of romance bordering on...well, let your imagination run wild...gin, tire chains...that I suspect some will not be using on their tires, racks...pillows, mood lights, flasks and rotating electronic toothbrushes, bunches of roses and bottles of wine, coffee maker and socket/screwdriver set. STONEY and JON LAWLIS will be joining TOM McGOWAN on the Bay. Grandson Jerry, thanks to Grandpa STONEY, is the proud owner of a truck complete with bells and whistles. DOUG STRAUS bought another "barf-arama" trip around the track with DAVE ALMEIDA and strong armed easy touch DAN TANITA to also give it a go.

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 1, 1998

### "Recreational Opportunities in Richmond that Bring Unity to our Community"

BRAD BAXTER

Brad Baxter is the new Manager of Recreation and Cultural Services for the City of Richmond. Brad has previously held recreation positions with Salt Lake City where he was the manager of the Gallivan Utah Center, Manager of Business District Services and Manager of a Triple AAA baseball stadium for the Twin AAA team that is located in Salt Lake City. During his 8 years with Salt Lake City Corporation he also worked for the Salt Lake City Redevelopment Agency.

Mr. Baxter served as a member of the 1991 and 1995 Winter Olympic Committee that successfully bid on the 2002 Winter Games. He was a member of the United States and Salt Lake Olympic planning committees and hosted the preliminary Winter Olympic competitions. His experience is recreation programming, working with at risk youth, senior and disabled citizens and community and economic development. His career has been further enhanced by serving as a member of the Department of Justice' ADA recreation advisory committee for facilities and recreation programming.

He also has been an EEO Officer for the 419th Fighter Wing (Air Force Reserve) for the past 18 years. He is a veteran of the Desert Storm/Desert Shield. He is married to Mary Ann Baxter and they have four wonderful daughters.

Chairperson of the Day: JUDY MORGAN

Door Duty: LLOYD HENRY and TROY PEWITT

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1998

### "PICTURE DAY"

100% ATTENDANCE

Door Duty: PAM JONES and CHARLES RAMSEY

#### REMINDERS:

- MAY 1 & 2 - "All New District Conference" in Concord.  
Plan to attend so our club is well represented in the "hands on" dictionary project.
- MAY 8, Friday - "Picture Day" - 100% Attendance
- MAY 14, Thursday, 1 PM - "Golf Tournament"  
RICHMOND COUNTRY CLUB - \$55  
See HENRY for more details.
- MAY 15, Friday - "Measure A" - Ann Marie Gold,  
Contra Costa County Library Director
- MAY 21, Thursday - "Joint Meeting with Soroptimists"  
at Rockefeller Lodge.
- MAY 22, Friday - "GSE Team"
- JUNE 7, 11-3 - Picnic - Food and drinks are being provided.

#### LAST WEEK

President JOE BAGLEY was back in fine form. JOE KELMAN had the thought for the day.

**Visitors and Guests:** Susan Wait was visiting from Lamorinda and Grier Graff from Berkeley. DON LAU's guest was Candy Souza; JIM SHATTOCK's guest was his wife Valerie; JIM BEAVER's guest was his wife Jane; JUDGE LINDENBAUM's guest was Judge Joni Hiramoto. Also visiting was District Governor GEORGE CHAFFEY who introduced the visiting GSE TEAM from Brazil.

**Announcements:** Poor PRESIDENT JOE, he thought no one missed him last week. JOHN NICOL set him straight. JOE then thanked everyone who contributed to making the auction a success. Thanks especially to DOUG STRAUS, DAVID SMITH and JIM BEAVER who helped to organize it. We raised \$1400 -- not bad!!! PREZ JOE indicated that copies of the District Newsletter were distributed at the tables.

Acting Sergeant at Arms JOE KELMAN rolled out the red carpet for new Rotarian LUCIA OWENS. RICH BRANDES reminded us to show up to help with Christmas in April on April 25th and thanked all who were helping out. Maps were available. He also thanked all who participated in the practice job interview project at Richmond High School which was recently completed.

PAM JONES is organizing distribution of the dictionaries on May 18. Please volunteer to help get dictionaries to the students. JOE was happy about a West County Times article and the dictionary project he contributed \$20. ELOF announced that May 8 is photo day and 100% attendance is required. In other words, BE THERE! LLOYD HENRY is still looking for a few good golfers to sign up for the golf tournament.

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DONNA BELL announced that the joint meeting of Soroptimists and Rotary will take place on Thursday, May 21 at Rockefeller Lodge. It's a BBQ and will count as a make up meeting. The regular Rotary Friday lunch will be happening the next day as scheduled. TOM McGOWAN mentioned that the Pt. Richmond Stroll will take place that very evening from 5-7 p.m. A busy day. LESLIE LEVY reminded us that we are having a picnic on June 7 from 11-3. Food and drinks are being provided. And last but not least, WALT ZERA is recovering with a new pacemaker. Get well soon and Happy Birthday WALT!

**Recognitions:** New member STEVE KOBAYASHI celebrated his birthday; it was also DAN TANITA's birthday; JEFF NATHANSON celebrated his 10th anniversary with his wife Connie; we sang a heart wrenching version of Happy Birthday to JIM SHATTOCK.

**Happy \$\$\$:** DAVID BROWN was sad that Blaire Burton passed away; DOUG STRAUS was happy that it was DAN TANITA's 50th birthday and gave money for friendship; ELOF was happy for sailing; HANK COVELL was happy for the upcoming Reno trip; FATHER CHRIS was sad that he had missed so many meetings since he joined the club (he actually attended more before he joined). He was also happy to be going to New York; JEFF N. was happy to be back and thanked DON, JOE and JIM for covering the Flywheel (it looks like everyone helped!). JIM BEAVER was happy for the help with the auction and happy to see that the GSE TEAM made it safely, considering his wife had to cover for him.

**Program:** DAVID KUCHENTHAL, using an appropriately droll "fish" joke, introduced Jerry R. Fish,

Executive Vice President of the West Contra Costa Association of Realtors. Mr. Fish talked about the "other side" of the real estate industry, concentrating on the advocacy efforts of the association. He cited many examples of how the Realty assoc. advocates for realistic regulations such as his work recently in Hercules where a new ordinance required an unrealistic number of city inspections and they worked to change it. He talked about issues from the fencing of pools to new disclosure regulations. The Realty Assoc. advocates both on a local level as well as nationally. He finished up with statistics about the real estate market. April 1998 is reaching new heights. Interest rates are good and this contributes to the booming market. There are 7% fewer listings than last year but 14% higher prices. Sales are happening 24% faster than last year. He then gave statistics on West County and closed with a funny suggestion to create a new psychiatric hotline.

**Raffle:** Raffle winners were JIM SHATTOCK, FATHER CHRIS and TOM McGOWAN.

Notes taken by JEFF NATHANSON,  
back in the saddle again.

### 1998-99 Roster and Flywheel Ads

We want to get an early start on any changes for the roster book so that we may distribute them by July this year. Please check any changes, addresses, phone numbers or other information and let me know by May 30th. Any changes or additional ads for the Flywheel should also be in by May 30th.

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**"Serving the Inner-City  
From the Crazy 60's to Welfare Reform"**

**MALCOLM C. LEE**  
Executive Director  
Richmond Rescue Mission

Malcolm Lee has been Executive Director of the Richmond Rescue Mission since 1970. Prior to this he was a building contractor in Bradenton, Florida going on to build Mobile Chapels there and then here in Richmond.

He received his theological education from Grand Rapids School of the Bible Bay Cities Bible Institute in Oakland and received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Golden State School of Theology, Oakland, in 1987.

Awards and accomplishments include Faithful Service Award and 20 year Service Award from the Richmond Rescue Mission Board of Directors; Commitment to the Needy Award and Dedicated & Faithful Service Award from the Richmond City Council and the Martin Luther King Jr. Humanitarian Award from the C.C.C. Board of Supervisors, to name a few.

Besides being a Richmond Rotarian since 1988, Malcolm has served as the Vice President of the International Union of Gospel Missions (I.U.G.M.) since 1993. He has also served the I.U.G.M. as chairman of the Leadership Training Program, president of Central Pacific District, chairman of Expansion Committee promoting new missions throughout the U.S. and overseas, and Secretary-Treasurer. He also serves as chairman of the Missions Committee at Valley Bible Church in Hercules; is Founder and president of Shiloh Resources Ministries and is a member of the City of Richmond Enterprise Community Program, Health & Human Service Committee.

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1998

**"Measure A"**

Ann Marie Gold, CCC Library Director

### REMINDERS:

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### LAST WEEK

President JOE led us in the pledge to the flag. JUDY MORGAN had a "soul searching" thought for the day.

Visitors and Guests included MICHAEL BROWN with Dolores Thompson from Peres Elementary School, CHARLIE FENDER with George Waring all the way from Sydney, Australia, and Pres. JOE with Nick Armington.

### Announcements:

Community Service Director RICH BRANDES gave us a re-cap of the very successful Christmas in April project, which concluded last weekend. Special thanks to Quality Assurance Manager MICHAEL BROWN. Over 30 Rotarians and Guests helped out...way to go!

Vocational Service Director MICHAEL BROWN re-introduced Dolores Thompson who gave us a short introduction to the Motivational Program for "at risk Kids" at Peres Elementary School. Sounded like this could be a future "Program".

ELOF GRANBERG asked to make sure that an announcement for 100% Attendance Day for this Friday's meeting be in this issue of the Flywheel. It's Picture Day, and rumor has it, we'll be outside for this year's picture (weather permitting?).

International Service Director TROY PEWITT indicated that a younger brother of a former GSE team member from Germany has asked for a helping hand in locating a place to stay for 4-6 weeks. Sounds like an opportunity for Rotary to open some more doors of the world. Contact Pres. JOE for more details. TROY then passed out special thanks to JIM & Jane BEAVER for their hospitality to the Brazilian GSE Team members last week. Also, the matching grant from R.I. from our club to the club in Lithuania is moving forward again, more information is coming.

Lucky DAN READY promises that this year's "Old Timers Day" will be like no other, featuring past club presidents.

OSCAR LUGO reminded everyone that the new

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and improved Club Picnic will be at Kennedy Grove, Sunday, June 7. Mark your calendars. Sounds like FGF&F (fun, games, food and fellowship).

GEORGE EGAN was happy to be home and indicated he made up his missed meeting, while also presenting a Club Flag from Abbyssville, LA. Secretary JOE obviously has schooled GEORGE well in Rotary tradition.

**Recognitions:** JOHN & Felicia NICOL celebrated 45 years together with a donation to Felicia's Paul Harris. DAVID & Janet KUCHENTHAL celebrated their anniversary with a donation to the Community Fund. On a complete and separate subject DAVID indicated his happiness about a 45 lb Sturgeon (DAVID, you owe me, cause a true prankster would've had a field day with this one). RALPH & Audrey HILL celebrated their anniversary and RALPH's birthday with a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

**Happy \$\$\$:** RICH BRANDES was happy about cleaning out his truck after Xmas in April. JON LAWLIS was happy about his daughter Alysa's birthday. MARK with Rubicon was happy to be back in town. MALCOLM LEE was happy that his last offspring (son) has graduated from S.F. State. CHARLIE FENDER was happy that his daughter was accepted at Cal. BILL WAHBEH was happy about....sorry BILL. And OSCAR LUGO was happy about his daughter being selected valedictorian of her graduating class.




**Program:** Brad Baxter is the new Manager of Recreational and Cultural Services for the City of Richmond. Brad and his new wife moved here last

summer. During WWII his father was stationed in the Bay Area. Brad indicated that the fiscal issues facing the city have/will have a significant effect on many programs that his department and others throughout the city can/will plan. To offset the revenue loss, the city and his office have tried to close the gap by charging fees for services &/or facilities that traditionally have been available for little or no fees at all. Another avenue being explored is partnering with outside programs to help parlay costs of using city assets. Current programs planned for in the near future are: Boxing at the auditorium, the celebration of Cinco de Mayo, the Boat Festival in September, famous Jazz musician Eric Blumfeld and also in the works, a booking with the Gerry Garcia Band. A personal favorite of Brad's is the Mentoring Program. Brad explained that the need for positive role models is so strong that 500 Mentors are needed to fill the backlog. Brad's experience as a Mentor has been with "Augie", who he says requires about two hours a week. Doesn't this sound like a program that Rotary could help with???

**Raffle:** Lucky DAN READY takes the chips & beer, RALPH HILL took the ????, and the "French Liquor" went to DOUG STRAUS, no wait TED ABREU, no wait ELOF GRANBERG.

**Announcement:** Former member Cynthia Brattesani and husband Jeffrey are proud to announce they have a son, Mark Jeffrey Capaccio, born March 16, 1998, weighing in at 7 lbs, 4 oz, 20 inches.

Your 3rd String Guy,  
JOE KELMAN

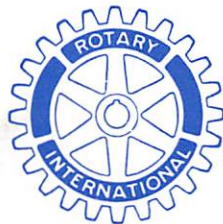
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ANNE MARIE GOLD

Anne Marie Gold, Contra Costa County Librarian since 1990, has had a distinguished two decade career in public libraries. After Completing her Master's Degree at Columbia University in 1972 she worked at the New York Public Library before moving to California in 1974. She spent time at the Oakland Public Library and served as County Librarian in Solano County prior to her arrival in Contra Costa County.

During the last decade in which she has served as a library director she has directed her energies towards creating community-library partnerships to enhance the delivery of local library services. As part of her work she has focused on community-based planning efforts, as well as the integration of new technologies to delivery non-traditional library services. As a library director providing services to multiple jurisdictions she has worked closely with cities and counties to meet differing library service needs, frequently within the constraints of reduced funding.

Throughout her career, Anne Marie has been an active member of her professional associations. She is the 1998 President of the California Library Association and has served as President of the California County Librarians Association. In 1994 Anne Marie was named Member of the Year by the California Library Association. Nationally she has served on the Public Library Association's Board of Directors and as President of the Metropolitan Libraries Section.

During the past several years, Anne Marie has been actively involved in seeking solutions to the funding and governance issues facing California's public libraries. She served on the Joint Task Force on Restructuring California's Public Libraries, sponsored by the League of California Cities, California State Association of Counties and the California Library Association. Her two year term as Co-Chair of the California Library Association Legislative Committee focused on legislative options for the state and local responsibilities for public library service.

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Door Duty: HENRY KELMAN and DAN READY

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1998

## GSE TEAM

Door Duty: JOE KELMAN and BILL REID

### REMINDERS:

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JUNE 5, Friday - A Tribute to Past Presidents

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provided.

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### LAST WEEK

President JOE led us in the pledge to the flag. GORDON MYERS had a thought for the day which generated much nervous introspection.

Visitors and Guests included a visitor from the El Cerrito club whose name eluded your scribe.

### Announcements:

Community Service Director RICH BRANDES announced that Giants tickets will be available for *Christmas in April* participants. Let him know by June 10 how many you would like. The tickets are for a game with the Phillies on August 29.

CAROL SELIGER had information about dictionary distribution. Help is still needed at some schools. Director PAM JONES added that arrangements need to be made for picking the dictionaries up at Hilltop Mall where they are stored courtesy of MICHAEL FENLEY.

JUDY MORGAN had an announcement about the East Bay Symphony performance on May 16.

According to LLOYD HENRY there is still room available for those who would like to participate in the golf tournament at the Richmond Country Club on May 14.

Other announcements included information about the GSE Team, the joint meeting with the Soroptimists and the Richmond Rotary Picnic on June 7.

### Recognitions:

Chief BILL LANSLOWNE and Superintendent HERB COLE had birthdays, as did WALT ZERA. It was great to see WALT again after his recent medical hiatus.

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renamed *Bay Area Rescue Mission*. Malcolm gave a brief synopsis of his early life and how he came to Richmond in 1969 and to his present position. There was some mention of "misspent youth", but no details were forthcoming.

The philosophy of the Mission, which primarily serves the homeless, is--"If you don't have a friend in the world, you can find one here." The Mission now has 275 beds and serves 20,000 meals a month. They have recovery programs which promote lifestyle changes literacy, job skills and recruitment to service in the inner city. Malcolm pointed out that, of the current staff of 48 at the mission, 16 were obtained through the recovery process.

The Mission's youth activities include tutoring, a computer lab and after school clubs for young kids, a Drop-In for junior and senior high students and sports programs in collaboration with the Police Activities League (FAL).

Malcolm's thoughts on the causes of homelessness were of particular interest. He feels that it is due to a crisis of moral principles, a crisis of family values and a crisis of compassion. There are also myths about homelessness: many believe that the homeless choose this lifestyle, and we fail to comprehend the lack of resources and support systems.

#### Raffle:

MARKKU and STONEY took home the Merlot.

**The "Out to Lunch" Award:** to CHARLES RAMSEY for missing both his Door Duty and the Raffle!

Your Fourth String (at least) Scribe,  
TED ABREU

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1998

## GSE TEAM

The Denmark GSE and Brazil GSE participants will be guests at Friday's meeting. The Brazil team will be speaking about their country and culture.

Chairperson of the Day: TROY PEWITT

Door Duty: JOE KELMAN and BILL REID

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### REMINDERS:

MAY 21, Thursday - "Joint Meeting with Soroptimists"  
at Rockefeller Lodge.  
JUNE 5, Friday - A Tribute to Past Presidents  
JUNE 7, 11-3 - Picnic - Food and drinks are being  
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## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOE was presiding and represented an absent JIM BEAVER with a thought for the day.

## Visitors and Guests:

JUDGE LINDENBAUM's guest was Judge Joan Hiramoto; PETE BRAY's guest was his wife Rosemary; RICH ALEXANDER's guest was Jim Alexander; GARY BELL's guest was Renee Brouton; JOE BAGLEY's guest was Shawn Werner.

## Announcements:

LLOYD HENRY announced that the golf tournament was a success and PETE BRAY was the big winner. PRES. JOE reminded all that the board meeting is scheduled for Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at Baker's Square. He also proudly announced that Richmond Rotary received a President's Citation at the Governor's Conference. CAROL SELIGER thanked PAM JONES for doing a great job on the Dictionary Project. The Channel newspaper will be publicizing the project (more than can be said for the West County Times). Rotarians who are helping to distribute books to schools were reminded to double check the count at each school to make sure the correct number are distributed to students. DAVE ALMEIDA suggested getting a roster of students who are receiving dictionaries so we have a permanent record.

Next Thursday the annual Rotary/Soroptimists Lunch will take place. It can be used as a make up. Next Friday the program will include both the Danish and Brazilian GSE teams. DAN READY announced that on June 5 all past presidents will be honored. OSCAR LUGO reminded us that the Rotary Picnic is on June 7 from 11 a.m. on at Kennedy Grove.

## Recognitions:

LLOYD HENRY celebrated his birthday by paying off his Paul Harris. DAVID BROWN and his lovely wife Cheryl celebrated their 18th anniversary.

## Happy \$\$\$:

CHARLES RAMSEY bought a new house. FATHER CHRIS was happy because one of Salesian High's students received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Exchange Club. PETE BRAY was very happy for the golf tourney, their upcoming trip to the Indy 500 and the Salvation Army's big salute to CHIEF LANSLOWNE with six dozen roses donated by DAVID NINOMIYA.

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HANK COVELL was happy that he'll be running the Bay to Breakers again coming up. CHARLIE WONG was sad that his daughter only came in 2nd in the Lion Club's contest but he was happy that she did receive \$5,000 in scholarships. JEFF NATHANSON was happy that his daughter turned two and the Richmond Art Center received a \$35,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. JOE GREEN was happy that the Library is collaborating with the Art Center on a new exhibition now at the Library.

**Program:**

JOE GREEN introduced Anne Marie Gold to talk about Measure A and its benefits for local libraries. Anne Marie is the Director of Contra Costa County's Library System. She formerly worked with Solano County and has over two decades of library service to her credit. She is currently president of the California Library Association. She passed out flyers describing Measure A. She opened by quoting from the article "What Price Liberty?" from Diablo Magazine. She described Measure A as a means to dig the libraries out of a huge hole. Libraries have been steadily losing money for years. Many previous measures have been proposed but have always been defeated. This measure simply adds 1/8 of one cent to sales tax in Contra Costa. This is very important because Contra Costa is 36th out of 37 library districts in the Bay Area for per capita spending. The focus on how to use new money is on services for children and families which includes purchasing new books. All in all a very convincing case for saving the libraries was made.

**Raffle:**

Shawn Werner got the scotch and JON LAWLIS got the sherry and truffles.

Your part time scribbler,  
JEFF NATHANSON

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1998

### "Electric Deregulation"

LYNN MACK

California Public Utilities Commission  
Office of Rate Payer  
Advocate

Chairperson of the Day: JOE NUSBAUM

Door Duty: DAVID KUCHENTHAL & DAN SANDERS

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 1998

### "A Tribute to Past Presidents"

Chairperson of the Day: DAN READY

Door Duty: BILL LANSDOWNE &  
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#### LAST WEEK

President JOE BAGLEY welcomed all on a beautiful pre-Memorial Day weekend Friday and led us in the pledge. Director TROY PEWITT gave us some words from Frank Jr. about his dad and how longevity and a lifestyle don't necessarily go hand-in-hand.

#### Visitors and Guests included:

Rhami Karach of El Cerrito; Steve Holland of Berkeley; Susan Wait of Lamorinda Sunrise; and our DG George Chaffey from Lamorinda Sunrise. There were no Rotarians with guests.

President JOE opened the floor for comments about the Dictionary Project. There were many Rotarians who had very positive comments about the experience. JON LAWLIS reported on his visit to Lincoln, DOUG STRAUS had a handful of thank you notes from the students at Chavez, TOM BUTT and wife Phyllis gave away book and history since Peres School was named after her grandfather, BILL WAHBEH described the dire need for support at Coronado, MICHAEL DOWNER got a chance to visit his alma mater Mira Vista...as did VP JOHN NICOL who was at Grant 65 years ago, DAVID K indicated we need a little more publicity based on his experience at Murphy, DAN TANITA and STEVE KOBAYASHI were impressed by the diversity of students of Ford, Father CHRIS looked up the work gear at Wilson and found a picture that looked a lot like our pin. It seemed like all who participated had a great time and that all of the students were very appreciative of having their own dictionary. Maybe we should do a follow-up program???? Special thanks to PAM JONES for coordinating the effort...with support from CAROLE SELIGER and MICHAEL FENLEY and the Mall staff.

President JOE called forward Past DG and Pres. WERNER SCHWARZ and presented him with a 3-tone ruby Paul Harris pin which represents \$4,000 given to the Paul Harris Foundation. DAVE NINOMIYA left a check to celebrate his anniversary.

Director TROY PEWITT introduced the Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team from Denmark: Bjarne Jensen, ladies and menswear salesman; Jan Christensen, bank clerk; Steffen Drefer, supermarket owner; Lisa Gundersen, receptionist at a holiday center; and Niels Neilsen, a dairy advisor. The team gave us a quick geographic overview of Denmark and the ABCs of Denmark. It

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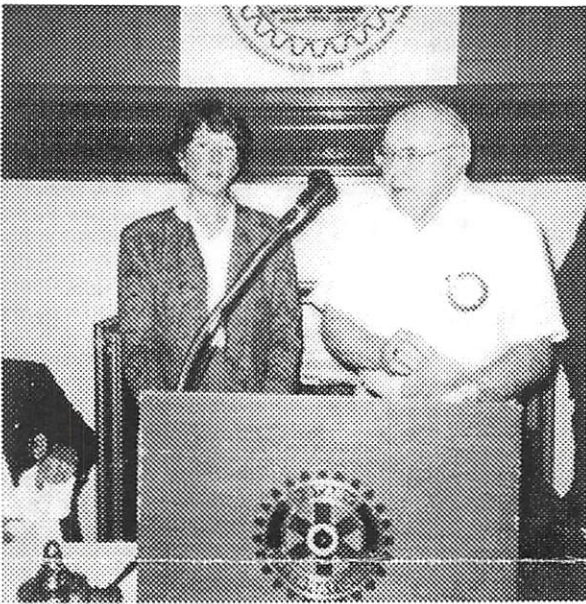


covered everything from beer to royalty to the 4th of July celebration. Brazilian Team leader Takuo Hashzume, a retired agronomist, introduced his team. Unfortunately, there was a mix-up and they were not able to show us their slides. The Brazilian team included: Maria Cecilio, a doctor, Sandra Golinelli, a music teacher; Ana Elisa Adala, the principal of an elementary school; and Jose Fortunato Nelo, a public prosecutor. The team was impressed with our Dictionary program and may look into doing such a project for their club.

**Raffle:**

The raffle was won by **GEORGE WACKER** and **RICH ALEXANDER**.

DON LAU  
JEFF's backup scribe



JOE NUSBAUM with new member LUCIA OWENS.

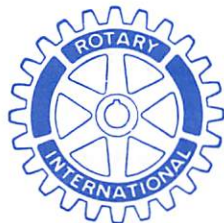
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### **"A Tribute to Past Presidents"**

#### **Spouses & Guests Invited**

COME EARLY! MEETING TO START AT 12:30 SHARP!

This is a meeting you will not want to miss as you learn from Past Presidents about the activities of the club as well as some memorabilia you will find of interest, but mostly you won't want to miss the opportunity to renew old friendships.

Chairperson of the Day: DAN READY

Door Duty: BILL LANSDOWNE and  
WERNER SCHWARZ

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1998

### **"Your Prostate and You - Current Treatment and Research in Prostate Cancer"**

DR. MAURICE SANDLER  
Urologist

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

Door Duty: DON LAU and HANS SHAPER

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## **LAST WEEK**

Well, yet again our Club was in search of literary talent, of a scribe who could capture the essence, yea the very soul of Rotary; to expose the human drama, the printed word expressing the raw nerve of that which is Rotary. Unable to locate anyone even remotely that talented, PRES JOE called on yours truly (suckerrrr...).

PRES JOE led us in the Pledge (can we still do that this close to the People's Republic of Berkeley; sorry LUCIA...), followed by some extraordinary thoughts about stupidity, pants and progeny; which, if you think about it, are fairly inextricably linked...

Visiting Rotarians included John from "somewhere" Sunrise, and (long-distance award) Neal Wells from El Cerrito, were complemented by guests of RICH BRANDES, brother Bob with JOHN "the heir apparent" NICOL and a little Angel with me...

The joint meeting with Soroptimists went very well; we had thirteen of our own attending, and all reported cooperative weather and a fine program.

PRES JOE addressed the Dictionary project as an unqualified success, bearing numerous juvenile testimonials to that effect which were passed among the membership for perusal. Parenthetically, ERLE BROWN related a unique tale of distribution of same involving his wife and TOM BUTT, film at eleven...

It was reported that our own Dr. WERNER SCHWARZ had, to date, donated some \$9,000 to the Rotary Foundation; no small fete when you consider that represents a pile of quarters that would fill a Pontiac Phoenix (you won't get it, but WERNER will...).

The obvious high point here was the bestowment of a Paul Harris fellow to "STONEY" STONEWORK; earned by his dollars and his "sense". Thank you, "STONEY"... Announcements included DAN READY on ex-Presidents day, ELOF GRANBERG on Club photos and CAROL SELIGER on the Picnic...

## **Recognitions:**

Birthday boy "BILL" WAHBEH who, depending on whose figures you use, was born on the 18th or 20th of May (giving new meaning to the term "Labor Day Weekend").

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Happy Dollars:

Dr. DON MILLER was "trippin", DAVID BROWN had a lot to say (surprise, surprise...) on the nuances of pronouncing GSE team members' names, HANK COVELL offered his thoughts on scholarships, JON LAWLIS on V-day, MICHAEL BROWN on the costs prior to Graduation, MARK LACHMAN on the continued appearance of Rubicon in the news, me on the outstanding (and yes, I am bragging, Counselor...) scholastic achievements of the children who live with me; Chris, Angel and Gaby. DON HARDISON was just happy and JOE BAGLEY proffered a "Go Bulls" for some minor sports team or other (anything outside the Richmond PAL isn't worth getting worked up about...).

Program:

Our Speaker today was Lynn Mack, formerly of ECHS, SF State and now with the Rate Payer Advocate office of the California Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Mack began by reeling off one of the best Acronymal Extravaganzas I've ever heard, to the delight of everyone present. He then got down to the serious business of the choices facing us as users of electrical power. The recent voter mandate divided power generation from the transmission and distribution, creating a situation not unlike the break-in of the phone companies (now we're having fun...). His main caveat was to "choose wisely..." and pointed out (and I'll paraphrase) that these generation companies will subscribe heavily to the "If you can't dazzle 'em with brilliance, then baffle 'em with..." strategy.

Your new bill arrives "unbundled", that is to say, itemized into the various charges associated with the entire electrical transaction (Generation, Transmission, Distribution, etc.). These items were always there, just listed as "heh, turn off the lights, it costs money..." in one big bite. Now, we know more than we ever wanted to know about why it's so expensive. The only competition will be in the Generation of power (Nuclear, Steam, Coal, Wind, etc.), the rest will remain as always. The benefits, in Lynn's estimation, were nebulous; a huge "maybe". By the time people unconfuse themselves, it could be a very expensive education. But at any rate, he concluded it would take at least four years to get to a point to see any measurable benefits at the consumer level. His job is to ensure against fraud and deceptive business practices during the changeover. There is a Call Center for consumers, and he brought numerous handouts containing a wealth of information (yet another reason to attend Rotary...).

As expected, there were many questions, and Lynn took the time to answer them all. The watchword was that confusion will reign, don't be fooled; ask a lot of questions, and get answers.

Raffle with a twist...

STONEY pulled the tickets of JIM "if anyone can make you laugh" SHATTOCK and BOB "two C's, two L's and an S" NICCOLLS.

Never able to beat the Draft,  
DAVID "Dave the Slave" ALMEIDA

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1998

### **"Viagra - The Real Thing?"**

**DR. MAURICE SANDLER**  
Urologist

Dr. Maurice Sandler is a prominent urologist who has served on the staffs of both Doctors Hospital Pinole and Brookside Hospital (now Doctors Medical Center San Pablo) since 1972. He has served as chief of staff and chair of the surgery department at both hospitals. He has served as a Clinical Associate Professor of Urology at UC Davis and is a member of the American Urological Association and the California Urological Association and numerous other professional and academic societies. Dr. Sandler has published dozens of professional papers and a medical book.

In addition to his expertise on prostate health and cancer treatment, Dr. Sandler is an expert on issues regarding male potency and treatments for impotence. He has given talks to medical groups on the new male potency drug Viagra. He will strip away the hype surrounding this controversial new treatment and present the facts and the possibilities for this treatment and other new treatments.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

Door Duty: DON LAU and HANS SHAPER

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1998

### **"The Russian Project"**

**ROBERT SHUSTA**  
Member, Dist. 5160 Vocational Service Committee  
Incoming President, Lafayette Rotary

Chairperson of the Day: JOHN NICOL

Door Duty: JOHN LAWLIS and JIM SHATTOCK

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## **LAST WEEK**

PRESIDENT JOE opened with a well rung bell, led us in the pledge to the flag, and gave us a Bob Dylan thought for the day which went as follows:

"May God's blessing keep you always.  
May your wishes all come true.  
May you always do for others  
and let others do for you.

May you build a ladder to the stars  
and climb on every rung.  
And may you stay  
FOREVER YOUNG!"

Could Bob Dylan actually be a Rotarian?

## **Visitors and Guests:**

We had a great many past presidents, wives and family members including: DON & Betty HARDISON, Ira Pooler, Dean Barbieri, Darrol Davis, RUSS SCHULZE, Betty & Wendy Wirth (widow and daughter of Walter) and Dorothy Lee Adams Calhoun.

## **Announcements:**

OSCAR LUGO and LESLIE LEVY announced that our picnic is on Sunday, June 7 at Kennedy Grove from 11-3. They passed out directions and got an updated guest list.

## **Program:**

A TRIBUTE TO PAST PRESIDENTS: Chairman of the Day DAN READY was in fine form as he appointed JOE BAGLEY "Sheriff" and ordered him to time all the speakers. DAN mentioned all past presidents in order going Waaaaaaaay back. We heard that Dick Richardson and Hollis Mortinson are alive and doing well, but could not make it. Speakers present included: RALPH HILL, Marie Wilson Dietz for her late husband Francis Wilson, Kathy Wright for Charles, RUSS SCHULZE, Ira Pooler, ELOF GRANBERG, CHARLIE WONG, Betty and Wendy Wirth (and the dummy Alex, who was the most witty and eloquent of the day). DAVE NINOMIYA, Darrol Davis, WERNER SCHWARZ, HANK COVELL, Dorothy Lee Adams Calhoun for the late Admiral Grant Calhoun, GEORGE WACKER, DON HARDISON, DAN READY, JOE NUSBAUM, Dean Barbieri, DAN TANITA, DOUG STRAUS, DAVE SMITH and JIM BEAVER. All who spoke were funny, interesting and gave us a great sense of the amazing

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history this club has. Mentioned but not present were: Andy Balerud, Jim Clausen, NORM FOLEY, DAVE CALFEE, HANS SHAPER, TOM BUTT and ERLE BROWN.

DAN thanked all the committee members. JOE recognized "Mr. Rotary" WERNER SCHWARZ for being an inspiration. Incoming president and VP JOHN NICOL recognized DON LAU. What a bunch of great folks!!!




**Raffle:**  
Raffle winners were DAN TANITA and JUDY MORGAN.

Back in the saddle once again,  
JEFF NATHANSON

Reminder

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

There will a meeting of the Rotary Club of Richmond Board of Directors Thursday, June 18, 1998, 7:30 a.m. at Baker's Square. All Officers and Directors are urged to attend and all members are welcome.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1998

## **"The Russian Project"**

**ROBERT SHUSTA**

Member, Dist. 5160 Vocational Service Committee  
Incoming President, Lafayette Rotary

The District 5160 Vocational Service Committee was formed to help clubs develop and implement projects which demonstrate the importance of high ethical standards in all professions and recognize the importance of all vocations.

Robert, a member of the District 5160 Vocational Service Committee, will tell us of about "The Russian Project", an effort to assist those who wish to participate in new programs to train visiting Russian entrepreneurs who are a growing part of the Russian economy.

Chairperson of the Day: **JOHN NICOL**

Door Duty: **JOHN LAWLIS** and **JIM SHATTOCK**

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1998

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Chairperson of the Day: **JIM BEAVER**

Door Duty: **MALCOLM LEE** and **DAVID SMITH**

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FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1998

**3-DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND  
NO MEETING**

## **LAST WEEK**

On the home stretch, President **JOE BAGLEY** led us in the pledge to the flag and **STEVE LUDWIG** gave us a thought for the day.

## **Visitors and Guests:**

**JUDGE LINDENBAUM's** guest was Judge **Joni Hiramoto**, **MARK LACHMAN's** guest was **Tom Matthews**, **TED ABREU's** guests were Camp Royal scholarship students **Jennifer Claudio** and **JK Delane**, and **JOE B's** guest was his daughter **Lana**.

## **Announcements:**

**JOE** thanked all who helped to make the picnic a success: **LESLIE LEVY**, **OSCAR LUGO**, **DONNA BELL**, **CAROL SELIGER** and **STONEV**. **JOE** thanked **MARKKU's** wife **Mary** for being a great egg toss partner. The Board meeting is on Thursday 6/18/98 at 7:30 a.m. **BILL REID** announced that Mechanics Bank will hold a seminar next Thursday, June 18, from 7:30-9:30 (same time as board meeting) at the Berkeley Marina Radisson about coping with the technicalities of the millennium. Call Bill to RSVP.

**PREZ JOE** thanked all board members during his term by presenting plaques. Many thanks to: **TROY PEWITT**, International Director; **MICHAEL BROWN**, Vocational Director; **DONNA BELL**, Program Director; **RICH BRANDES**, Community Service Director; **KING TED ABREU**, Raffle Chair among other things; **PAM JONES**, Membership and Dictionary Project chair. Also thanks to **DAVE ALMEIDA**, Treasurer; **JOE NUSBAUM**, Secretary; **JOHN NICOL**, VP and President Elect; **JONATHAN LAWLIS**, Sergeant at Arms; **JOE KELMAN**, for filling in when needed; **GEORGE WACKER**, Official Greeter; **CHARLIE WONG**, official photographer. A big thank you to the Flywheel crew during the year: **MARK THIEBAULT** and yours truly **JEFF NATHANSON**, plus the many fill-ins including **DON LAU**, **TED ABREU**, **JIM BEAVER**, **DAVE ALMEIDA**, **JOE KELMAN**, **DAVE SMITH** and anybody else we missed. **THANK YOU!!!!**

## **Recognitions:**

**HERB COLE** celebrated his anniversary. Also he's looking forward to retiring from the school district. A round of applause was well deserved for the great job **HERB's** done as Superintendent of Schools. **JOE**

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NUSBAUM celebrated his birthday and MARKKU celebrated his birthday.

Happy \$\$\$\$:

BART WALLACE gave \$20 for not being kicked out because of his sporadic attendance. JUDGE LINDENBAUM was sad because she's being transferred to Martinez. PETE BRAY was happy that his wife celebrated her B-day with a couple of victory laps and a crowd of race enthusiasts cheering her on. BOB NICCOLLS was happy that DAN TANITA got a top award from the YMCA. JOE NUSBAUM had a letter and \$20 from CAROL SELIGER praising JOE B. for a fun filled year. CHARLIE FENDER was happy for granddaughter's graduation. DAVE BROWN received a big hug from a student who was very happy to receive a dictionary. CHARLIE WONG was happy because of his granddaughter's graduation. Also, in the true spirit of Rotary honesty, CHARLIE volunteered that his anniversary is on June 19 and gave a contribution.

Program:

"Viagra - The Real Thing?" with Dr. Maurice Sandler. JIM BEAVER did his best to introduce Dr. Sandler with a straight face and through the introduction the tendency toward humor was expected and delivered appropriately. I therefore deliver this report straight.

Dr. Sandler began by describing sexual and erectile dysfunction as now recognized as a bisexual disease - as sexual arousal problems occur with women as well as men. Most of the talk was about men's dysfunction, as not much research has been done yet about women's problems. About 50% of male population over 40 years of age have

admitted problems of some degree. This translates to over 25 million men. The interest in Viagra has actually helped save many men's lives because sexual dysfunction can be a symptom of a much more serious condition. Dr. Sandler presented a huge list of drugs and substances that can have an effect on sexual function. He then talked about drugs that can help problems such as premature ejaculation and erectile dysfunction. He pointed out that one of the leading causes of sexual dysfunction is depression and discussed medications that help sexual function and are antidepressants. He also talked about lifestyle change as a very important remedy.

He then went on to describe Viagra in medical terms. It only works in men who already have some degree of function and doesn't work if there is total dysfunction. He also warned that Viagra can be fatal if you're taking nitro or nitrate heart medication. He also warned that you must be aware of your physical ability before engaging in sexual activities. A minimum is that you should be able to briskly walk up two flights of stairs. He concluded by describing women's sexual function and dysfunction in medical terms as very similar to men's. There are now many studies being conducted so that women will be able to get the same type of treatment and attention as men. Good work Dr. Sandler, keep it up!

There was no raffle.

Your dedicated scribe,  
JEFF NATHANSON

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 10, 1998

### "Appointment in Mecklenburg"

PAUL C. SOLTOW, JR.

Paul Soltow will tell us about his visit and show slides of his father's home in Schwerin, Mecklenburg in northern Germany. Paul is a Rotarian in the San Pablo Club, which he helped organize after being a member of the Richmond Club. He is a licensed civil engineer active in many civic organizations including the board of directors of the West County Wastewater District. He and his wife, Lilian, are long-time residents of El Sobrante.

Chairperson of the Day: JOHN NICOL

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1998

### "Delivery of Environmental Health Services in Contra Costa County"

KEN C. STUART, R.E.H.S., M.S.E.H.  
Director, Environmental Health  
Contra Costa County

## UPCOMING DATES

JULY 24 - ISIAH TURNER, *Richmond City Manager*  
"Richmond"

JULY 31 - BOB NICCOLLS - "Gotcha!"

**"OLD FASHIONED ROTARY BARBECUE"**  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 1998  
at home of Dr. & Mrs. Russ Schulze  
Adults - \$10.00 & Children under 12 - Free

More Details to Follow

## LAST WEEK

JOE BAGLEY began his presidency with a twist and a song. So, not to exit on an any less memorable note, he led us in the song "God Bless America". He then provided us a poetic thought for the day.

## Visitors and Guests:

Gary Pokorny was visiting from the El Cerrito club and announced their club's 4th of July picnic and offered a T-shirt for the raffle. Neil Wells was also visiting from the El Cerrito club. District Governor GEORGE CHAFFEY was visiting. JUDY MORGAN's guest was Judy Coleman; LESLIE LEVY's guest was her son Ethan; DAVE BROWN's guest was his son Aaron; CHARLIE FENDER's guest was his wife Clavel; PRESIDENT JOE's guests were his daughter Lana and his wife Rita.

## Announcements:



JOE B. attended the Rotary International Convention in Indianapolis and gave us a full report. Over 19,000 Rotarians attended representing many of the 29,000 clubs from around the world. Big news was the polio campaign update. It is predicted that by Rotary International's 100 year anniversary in 2005, polio should be completely wiped out in the world. He also told us about the presentation of Rotary's highest honor and how inspiring it was. JOE then reported on the progress of the Lithuanian project. He then decreed that, just as past U.S. presidents continue to be called "Mr. President" even after they leave office, Rotary past presidents may also be addressed as "Mr. President". Too hard to let it go, eh JOE?

## Recognitions:

DOUG STRAUS celebrated his 13th anniversary and indicated that he would send a check to a future administration. OSCAR LUGO is celebrating his 19th anniversary and his 51st birthday.

## Happy \$\$\$:

Rita Bagley was happy "just because". HERB COLE was sad that JOE had to go to Indianapolis instead of some more exotic destination. ERLE BROWN had a ditto to Rita's happy \$. LESLIE LEVY was just glad to be back after a couple of rough weeks. LLOYD HENRY pointed out that JOE was lucky to go to Indianapolis - GEORGE WACKER attended the Rotary Conference in San Francisco.

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JOE then announced that he would "Leave it to Beaver".

Program:



"JOEY BAGS"

DEMOTION!!! Harry Caray appeared direct from Heaven to give us the straight scoop on "Joey Bags" comin' from Chicago and gettin' "respectable". With some revealing slides and guests including JOE at ten years old, Hall of Famer Ernie Banks, Al Capone and Michael Jordan, oops, no that was Jackson, Harry gave us an irreverent and humorous biography of PREZ JOE. Hey JOE, loved the chops in that wedding photo!

JOE was then presented with a plaque, gavel, badge, pin and a year's worth of Flywheels (the most valuable of the gifts!). Way to go JOE, thanks for doing a great job.

JOE then passed the president's gavel to incoming president JOHN NICOL to a rousing standing ovation. Good luck JOHN!

**Raffle:**

This week's winners were JOHN MEDLOCK and BILL REID who got wine. The El Cerrito 4th of July T-shirt went to STONEY.

Your respectable scribe,  
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1998

## **"Delivery of Environmental Health Services in Contra Costa County"**

**KEN C. STUART, R.E.H.S., M.S.E.H.**  
Director, Environmental Health  
Contra Costa County

Ken Stuart is the Director of Environmental Health for the Contra Costa Health Department. An employee of the county since September 1997, Ken is responsible for environmental health programs in food service, recreational health, solid waste, small water systems, liquid waste, land use and medical waste. Ken has spent over twenty-nine years working in the fields of environmental health and holds a Bachelor's degree from California State University, Sacramento and a Master's degree from East Tennessee State University.

Ken is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Folsom, and is currently serving his second term as International Committee Chairman for District 5190. Ken has also served as a Governor's Area Representative for three Past District Governors, has served for six years on the District 5190 Rotary Youth Exchange Committee and was a Rotary Volunteer in 1996 to work on a 3-H Grant Program in Ecuador. Ken and his wife, Barbara, live in Folsom:

Today, Ken's program is on the delivery of environmental health services in Contra Costa County.

Chairman of the Day: JOHN NICOL

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 24, 1998

## **"Richmond"**

**ISIAH TURNER**  
Richmond City Manager

### UPCOMING DATE

JULY 31 - BOB NICCOLLS - "Gotcha!"

### **"OLD FASHIONED ROTARY BARBECUE"**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 1998

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Adults - \$10.00 & Children under 12 - Free

**More Details to Follow**

### **LAST WEEK**

PPRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge and then allowed for a five minute break. After that, he called upon a very surprised Judy Coleman to lead us in the "America the Beautiful". JOHN then gave the thought for the day.

### **Visitors and Guests:**

Neil Wells was visiting from the El Cerrito club. Paul Soltow was visiting from San Pablo (as well as being the speaker). DONNA McCAIN's guest was the much beloved ex-member (and great song leader) Judy Coleman. JOHN's guest (in JUDGE LINDENBAUM's place) was Judge Joni Hiramoto.

### **Announcements:**

PREZ JOHN introduced incoming regime officers JONATHAN LAWLIS for programs and MICHAEL BROWN for vocational. DAVID K. reported that WALT ZERA had been in the hospital. JOHN sent a hello to an absent DAN TANITA for being honored with the Fred Green Award at the YMCA. Fight polio bumper stickers were available for purchase and a bucket with bumper stickers was passed around.

### **Happy \$\$\$:**

PREZ JOHN called for happy \$5. BOB NICCOLLS was happy that it was his anniversary of joining Rotary. DONNA McCAIN had a schizo \$5 for August programs. DAN SANDERS was happy that he had a great European vacation but sad that he didn't read his Flywheel when he returned and went to Rotary last Friday, July 3rd, to find out there was no Rotary that day. Yours truly, JEFF NATHANSON, was happy that the Richmond Art Center has been awarded a \$75,000 grant from the Leshner Foundation. MALCOLM LEE had a golf joke--was it worth \$5.00??? He is looking for sponsors for the golf tournament benefitting the Rescue Mission. ELOF was happy for Europe and JOE BAGLEY was happy to see JOHN behind the podium. CHARLIE FENDER had another (somewhat funnier) joke.

### **More Announcements:**

There will be an old fashioned picnic August 9th at RUSS SCHULZE's home in Orinda. \$10 for adults and kids are free. September 11 will be the Governor's visit. September 19 is Rotary Family Day at Marine World.

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See ERLE BROWN for details.

**Program:**

After another five minute break, JOHN NICOL gave a warm introduction to Paul Soltow. Paul began with a bad peanut joke. He then launched into a talk entitled "Appointment in Mecklenburg". He described his trip and Mecklenburg, Germany where his family is from. It is east of Hamburg and north of Berlin. He discussed the history of the place. It became part of the German Republic in World War I, then was a part of East Germany until the fall of communism. The question was asked, what happened to the communists? They're still right there! He then showed slides which pictured a place with beautiful fields -- Mecklenburg is primarily agricultural. Slides showed white asparagus, hangman's tower, the town, countryside, lakes, boats, canals and warm sunny weather. He stayed with cousins in a beautiful house with a pool. It was odd, Paul thought, that he used to send them care packages and here he is in a big beautiful house with a pool and a good job. The region is very literate but not computer literate. He then showed slides of family country homes, pelicans, flowers, manhole covers, churches, father's house, bicyclists and craftspeople.

After the program, JOHN gave a special thanks to the club for not stealing the bell and gavel. Thank you also to LOREN STRAUGHN and HANK COVELL for sitting door duty.

There was no raffle.

Your illustrated scribe,  
JEFF NATHANSON

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

WALTER "WALT" ZERA  
July 11, 1998

An active Rotarian most of his adult life, Walt joined Richmond Rotary in 1968 after having been a Rotarian in Southern California.

Walt loved the Rotary Reno Trip and always went.

He is survived by his wife Amy and four children, two sons and two daughters.

Viewing at Wilson & Kratzer, 24th and Barrett, Thursday, July 16, 1998, 1-8 p.m. Services are 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 17, 1998, at Saint Cornelius .

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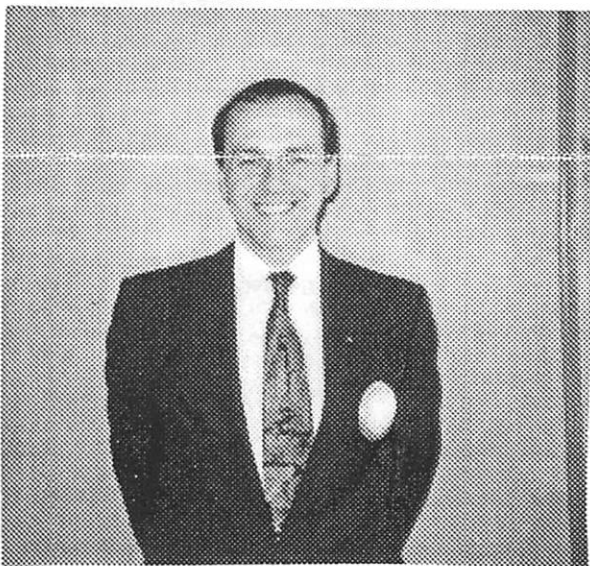
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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1998

### DEMOTION



Joe Bagley

COME ONE, COME ALL! to help PRESIDENT JOE celebrate the conclusion of the happiest twelve months of his life as he leaves the helm of the Richmond Rotary Club.

Chairperson of the Day: JIM BEAVER

Door Duty: MALCOLM LEE and DAVID SMITH

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## FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1998

3-DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND  
NO MEETING

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS FOR JULY

- JULY 10 - PAUL SOLTOW - "Germany"  
JULY 17 - KEN C. STUART, R.E.H.S., M.S.E.H.  
Director, Environmental Health, C.C.C.  
"Environmental Health"  
JULY 24 - ISIAH TURNER, Richmond City Manager  
"Richmond"  
JULY 31 - BOB NICCOLLS - "Gotcha!"

### LAST WEEK

The distinguished vice president/president elect JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge to the flag and provided us a thought for the day.

**Visitors and Guests:** CHIEF LANSDOWNE's guest was police chaplain A.L. McClean. CHARLIE WONG introduced JOE NUSBAUM's guest Henry Linker. DAVE ALMEIDA's guest was his daughter Angel.

### Announcements:

- RICH BRANDES and PAM JONES told us about a new project with the Salvation Army. Donations and volunteers are needed to take underprivileged kids on a school clothes buying trip on August 8. See RICH if you can help out.

- MALCOLM LEE announced that the Rescue Mission will hold its Annual Golf-A-Thon as a fundraiser on August 17.

### Recognitions:

STAN TEADERMAN celebrated his anniversary. BILL LANSDOWNE also celebrated his anniversary as did DON HARDISON. MICHAEL DOWNER was privileged to have his birthday on Friday so we could sing him a heart wrenching rendition. RICHARD ALEXANDER also celebrated his birthday.

### Happy \$\$\$\$:

PETE BRAY was happy that he had photos from the picnic and announced that anyone who was there and got their picture taken in the race car should come and get it. ERLE BROWN needs folks to make Paul Harris contributions because there were a couple of hundred bucks left for matching funds in this year's budget and he doesn't want us to lose the funds. DAVID KUCHENTHAL was sad he will miss the demotion. STAN was happy to be missing JOHN's installation.

### Program:

JOHN NICOL introduced Robert Shusta, the incoming president of Lafayette Rotary and a retired Concord police officer. Robert spoke about the "Russian Project" of the Vocational Service Committee.

This worthwhile project brings professionals from Russia to the US to learn marketing, distribution, sales and other basic business functions of our free enterprise system which they are slowly learning to operate within. He described the Productivity Enhancement Program as it is organized by the Center for Citizen's Initiatives. Rotary and other service clubs around the country sponsor and host visiting delegates from Russia who learn how we do things in various occupations. Over 600 delegates come to the US from diverse trades each year.

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The recent delegates to the Bay Area were bakers who learned from visits and workshops at local bakeries including Semifreddi's and Otis Spunkmeyer. Besides the professional learning experience, the person to person aspect of the program is outstanding. Citizens from our two countries really get to know each other and communicate via interpreters. The slides shown illustrated the comradeship and fun the delegates and hosts have.

The Russian delegates pay their own way to get here but are then hosted locally for lodging, meals and transportation. The next group will be here from October - November. The steering committee is coordinating the effort between the Lafayette club and other clubs. Lafayette budgets about \$500 to host the delegates and volunteers are needed to participate as hosts. A translator facilitates introductions and then a dictionary is provided. All training takes place through interpreters. It is a great way to promote communication and understanding between cultures.

Besides the tours of bakeries and instruction in business practices they also are given instruction in how to form a Rotary Club when they return home. All in all it is a great international people to people program.

After presenting the speaker with a certificate of appreciation, acting president JOHN NICOL announced that next week is President JOE BAGLEY's demotion. This announcement received enthusiastic applause. It's nice to know that JOE is so well loved!???

**Raffle:** Winners from last week were GEORGE WACKER and DAN READY. This week's winners were JOE GREEN and JOHN NICOL (hmmm?).

Your dedicated scribe, JEFF NATHANSON



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## "My Vision for the City of Richmond"

ISIAH TURNER  
Richmond City Manager

Isiah Turner brings 30 years of administrative and leadership experience to his current job as City Manager for the City of Richmond where he manages 1,200 employees, 16 departments and a budget of \$165 million dollars. In his most recent position as Deputy City Manager he had overall responsibility for the Port of Richmond, Department of Employment and Training, Richmond Housing Authority, Economic Development and the Redevelopment Agency.

His extensive background includes serving in the Governor's Cabinet as Commissioner of the Washington State Employment Security Department, during which time he managed a department of 2,700 employees with an operating budget of \$150 million dollars. Mr. Turner was commissioned by Germany's Marshall Fund, the U.S. Department of Labor and Washington State to study enterprise schemes, labor management relations and workforce preparation programs in northern Europe and Japan. In 1988, Mr. Turner was named National Employment and Training Professional by the National Alliance of Business. Mr. Turner was elected by his peers to serve as President of the Interstate Conference of Employment Security Administrators in 1989.

Under his leadership in Richmond, unprecedented successful collaboration among public agencies, community-based organizations, labor, education and the business community has occurred. The results are the establishment of a One-Stop Career Center System, RichmondWORKS, which has served the employment and training needs of Richmond area employers and job seekers resulting in 12,000 jobs for Richmond residents.

Mr. Turner has a B.A. in Liberal Arts from Evergreen State College in Washington State and is a graduate of the John F. Kennedy School of Government Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts. Mr. Turner is a lifetime member of the International Association of Personnel in Employment Security.

Chairman of the Day: BOB NICCOLLS

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## "GOTCHA!"

BOB NICCOLLS

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**LAST WEEK...** PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL asked for a moment of silence for WALT ZERA who passed away during the week. He then led us in the pledge followed by "This Land is Your Land", led once again by Judy Coleman. JOHN's thought for the day was from JFK.

A trivia pop quiz was next up. Question: What notable event occurred on July 17 in 1941? Answer: Joe Dimaggio's hitting streak was stopped by the Cleveland Indians. Richard Alexander was then called upon to introduce the individual who had a red badge longer than any previous Rotarians. WALT CONNOLLY gave a painfully slow (perhaps thoughtful?) "Who Am I". By the end he had warmed up, talking about his career as an architect and restaurateur. Finally he got his blue badge. Congratulations WALT, it was a LONG time coming!

It was then announced that the new rosters were ready and were being distributed.

**Visitors and Guests:** JACK MATKIN's guest was Tom Arntz from Chevron. JACK also announced that he will be leaving us to go to Walnut Creek. Good luck JACK, and come back to visit often. DONNA MCCAIN's guest was Judy Coleman; HERB COLE's guest was his wife Norma.

**Announcements:** ERLE BROWN introduced the newest Paul Harris fellows who received a standing ovation: HERB COLE, LLOYD HENRY, RICHARD ALEXANDER and JACK MATKIN (for his wife Linda). STONEY was also honored although he was not present. ERLE then announced that September 19 is Rotary Family Day at Marine World. \$22.75 for adults, kids tickets are less and kids under 4 are free. Also the raffle is really good, with great trips to places all over the world. A book of raffle tickets is \$100 and it goes as a donation towards your Paul Harris. See ERLE for details. There will be a picnic August 9th at RUSS SCHULZE's home in Orinda. \$10 for adults and kids are free.



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There were no HAPPY \$\$\$.

**Program:** Ken Stuart, Director of Environmental Health for Contra Costa County gave a very interesting presentation about health concerns. Ken is a member and former president of the Folsom Rotary Club. He talked briefly about the Folsom Club's big hot rod show with 500 rods. It is a great success and raises a lot of money each year.

He then spent the rest of the time scaring us about environmental health concerns that the Contra Costa Environmental Health Department works on. Using slides, he talked about water wells, restaurants, land development, sewage, etc. Their department handles permits and environmental hazards from septic tanks to food service. He mentioned that Richmond is the best city in the county to work with because there is a professional and cooperative attitude. He showed appetizing slides of local restaurants with cockroaches, piles of defrosting chicken, dirty prep areas, food vendors, fairs and carnivals and on and on. They have 380 food related breakouts a year. I don't think I'll be eating out for awhile.

They also have jurisdiction over pools, spas, country clubs, health and fitness clubs with their staff of 36 based on Concord. Let's see how Walt's new cafe holds up under the scrutiny of Ken's inspection.

**Raffle:** FATHER CHRIS WOERZ, just back from vacation, and DON MILLER.

Your (do I have food poisoning, or am I just imagining it?) scribe,

JEFF NATHANSON

PAUL HARRIS RECIPIENTS



(L-R) HERB COLE, JACK MATKIN (for Linda), LLOYD HENRY and RICHARD ALEXANDER.

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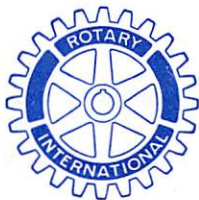
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, JULY 31, 1998

## "GOTCHA!"

FINANCIAL TRAPS FOR THE UNWARY  
BOB NICCOLLS

Hear about common oversights or unintended results Bob Niccolls has seen repeatedly during his 27 years in the financial services industry. His intent is to keep you from making them yourself, or recognizing them if you already have. Small changes can make large improvements!

Chairman of the Day: John Nicol

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1998

## "WELFARE TO WORK"

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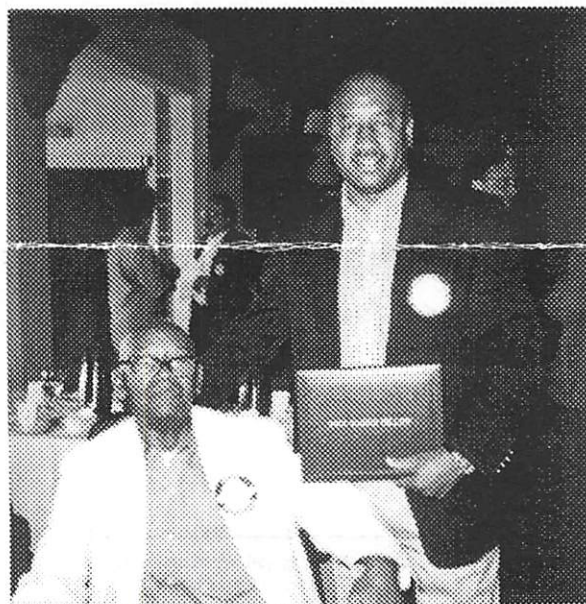
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Stoney's father Ed Stonework  
was on hand for Stoney's Paul Harris Award

**LAST WEEK...** PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by "In the Good Ol' Summertime" and the thought for the day.

**Visitors and guests:** OSCAR LUGO's guest was BARRY GORDON; GARY BELL's guest was BEVERLY LONG; STONEY'S guest was EDWARD STONEBROOK; MARK LACHMAN's guest was Tom Matthews; RICHARD ALEXANDER's guest was Tom Arntz from Chevron; RICH BRANDES' guest was Eve Ma.

**Announcements:** Eve Ma, the Director of Celebrating Culture and Diversity and a Contra Costa Arts Commissioner, told us about plans for a Richmond/El Cerrito annual parade. It will have an international and cultural diversity theme. She asked for Rotary's support and had brochures with more information.

JOE GREEN gave his "Who Am I." From being "responsible for FDR's death" and knowing the meaning of "guilt" and moving around from Indianapolis, to Atlanta, to New Jersey, and eventually to the Bay Area, Joe proved that being a librarian does not preclude having a great sense of humor and an ability to entertain through public speaking. Joe is the Richmond City Librarian since 1996 and obviously brings intelligence and wit to both the City Library as well as Rotary.

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ERLE BROWN introduced another new Paul Harris fellow, STONEY, who received a standing ovation. Erle then announced that September 19 is Rotary Family Day at Marine World. \$22.75 for adults, kids tickets are \$17.75, and kids under 4 are free. Also the raffle is really good, with great trips to places all over the world. A book of raffle tickets is \$100 and it goes as a donation towards your Paul Harris. See Erle for details.

There will be a picnic August 9th at Russ Schulze's house in Orinda. \$10 for adults and kids are free. JOHN announced that the horseshoe pit is in.

JOE NUSSBAUM announced that membership cards and rosters are available. Please see him to pick them up so it doesn't cost Rotary postage.

PRESIDENT JOHN announced that the new Recognitions Chair is MARKKU.

**Recognitions:** MARKKU recognized TED ABREAU for his birthday; it was also NORM FOLEY's BIRTHDAY and WALTER CONNOLLY's birthday. WALTER WOLFFS also sent in a contribution.

**Program:** BOB NICCOLLS introduced ISIAH TURNER, City Manager of Richmond. Mr. Turner grew up in Parchester Village. After education in the John F. Kennedy School of Government Program at Harvard University, he has gone on to a distinguished career in government administration. He returned to Richmond in 1991 and has served as Deputy City Manager prior to his appointment this year as City Manager.

An overview of the responsibilities and duties of the City manager indicated the challenges Isiah Turner

faces. He incorporates private sector principles into public sector management. He works on a basis of performance and trust and has to deal with nine elected officials as his bosses. He is dedicated to providing strong leadership, but with a spirit of collaboration. As such, he is a team player and looks for quantifiable results. He is an optimist and has four specific visions for Richmond:

1. Increase the quality of life.
2. Ensure a safe community.
3. Foster economic prosperity.
4. Improved operations.

He indicated that there is no quick fix. We need to be optimistic and realistic. One of the major challenges is dealing with union bargaining units. He has an open administration with no secret agendas or secretive decision making. He called for us to work together to realize visions and goals and said that his "Management Efficiency Project Report" was available for anyone to review. Overall, it was an upbeat and inspiring presentation by the new City Manager.

**Raffle:** MICHAEL FENLEY and  
DAVE NINAMIYA.

Your dedicated scribe,  
JEFF NATHANSON

Richmond Rotary lost a good friend in Bill Berk, as he was always ready to help. So long, Bill.

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## **"WELFARE TO WORK"**

**UPESI MTAMBUZI**

Director of Employment & Training  
City of Richmond

Upesi Mtambuzi has a wide breadth of experience in the field of workforce development. For the past 19 years she has worked for the City of Richmond's Employment and Training programs beginning as a CETA program monitor and advancing over the years through such capacities as case manager, planning analyst and Employment Program Manager before taking on her current position as Employment and Training Director. In her career as an employment and training professional, Ms. Mtambuzi has taken a leading role in facilitating the City of Richmond's innovative position as premier workforce development entity both locally and nationally. She believes that the Welfare to Work program is a challenging opportunity for the City of Richmond and looks forward to the myriad of possibilities for partnership and success that will evolve from our involvement in it.

Upesi has been a proud resident of the City of Richmond for almost 23 years and has been actively involved in activities that promote family and neighborhood growth. She is an avid world traveler and is particularly interested in linking economic development opportunities between the Richmond area and developing countries in Africa. Ms. Mtambuzi holds a B.A. in journalism from Michigan State University and will complete an M.A. in Humanities from California State University Dominguez Hills in December 1998.

Chairperson of the Day: JUDY MORGAN

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## **LAST WEEK**

PRESIDENT JOHN called the meeting to order, led us in the Pledge to the Flag and led us again in a stirring rendition of "Home on the Range". The word for the day was a quote from the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Rotarians with guests included DAN TANITA with Alex Gaylor of Wilson and Kratzer and President JOHN NICOL with Joni Hiramoto.

## **Announcements:**

ERLE BROWN had an announcement about Rotary Day at Marine World on September 19. Any Rotarian bitten by a tiger will be granted a full refund. ERLE also reminded everyone about the picnic at RUSS SCHULZE's on Sunday, August 9. PAM JONES gave a reminder about the Salvation Army/Mervyn's Project on Saturday, August 8, at 7:00 a.m. Male shoppers (an oxymoron?) are needed. PRESIDENT JOHN had an announcement about a *Day at the A's*.

## **Recognitions:**

PDG WERNER SCHWARZ's wife Lea had an anniversary. HENRY KELMAN and CAROLE SELIGER both celebrated birthdays. At this point, an **Anonymous Rotarian** interjected a comment about the difference between Microsoft and Viagra.

## **Happy Dollars:**

JON LAWLIS had several in appreciation of Rotary. TOM MCGOWAN followed with happy dollars for the Rotarians who participated in donations to Washington Elementary School. BILL WAHBEH had a happy dollar in honor of BILL LANSDOWNE, who in turn had one in recognition of TOM MCGOWAN.

## **Program:**

PRESIDENT JOHN introduced the speaker for the day, our own BOB NICCOLLS, ChFC (my spellchecker hates all these letters). BOB works with his clients to provide the best combination of business, employee and personal plans. The title of his talk, "Gotcha!" stressed the importance of making careful financial decisions and getting competent advice. BOB made the following points:

- Formal retirement plans and IRA's are still the most tax-efficient way to save for retirement. Be careful, he said, about when you take the money out. Poor timing may result in extra taxes.
- Most IRA's, retirement plan death benefits, insurance policies and annuities are part of an individual's estate. Death benefits are usually paid to one or more individuals, but it is important to make sure they are

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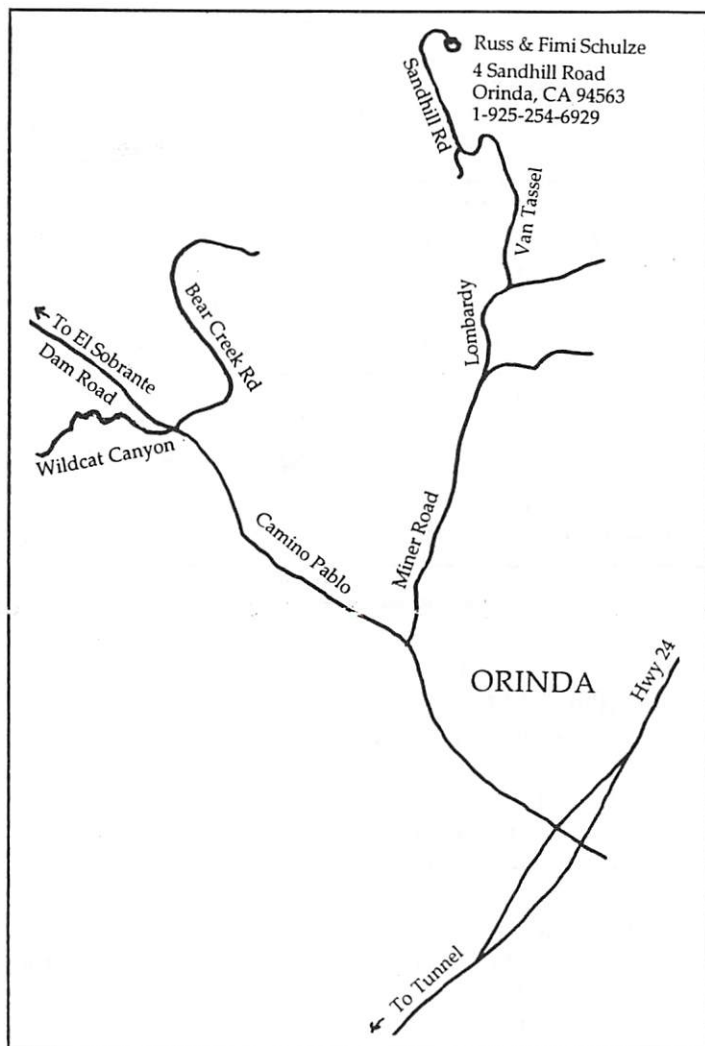


consistent with the intentions of your will.

- For many people, a few hours spent on an estate plan will make more difference to a spouse or children than a number of years' more earnings.
  - Personal life insurance death benefits are usually income tax free, but you can lose this advantage if ownership of the policy changes.
  - Sometimes, to have your children share your estate equally is not the most fair or effective plan.
  - Trusts are a powerful tool for many estates, but they only work to the extent that property is correctly titled.
  - Community property and joint tenancy are not the same for tax purposes.
  - Most powers of attorney become void if you lose competency, just when they might be most needed.
  - Modern medicine allows the continuation of life beyond what you may desire. Your wishes about "pulling the plug" can only be enforced if you have taken specific steps in advance. Although this may not be a pleasant topic, timely attention to it can prevent an unpleasant burden for loved ones later on.
- The lively discussion which followed is a good indication of the importance of Bob's topic.

The meeting ended with JOE GREEN receiving his blue badge and winning one of the raffle prizes, a virtual bottle of wine. CHARLIE WONG was the other virtual winner. Question: If you drink too much virtual wine, will you have a virtual hangover? A virtual DUI?

Your ink-stained wretch for the day,  
TED ABREU



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## "Moving Toward a Sustainable Economy"

**LINDA BEST**  
Executive Director  
Contra Costa Economic Partnership

Linda Best brings leadership experience to the Contra Costa Economic Partnership as past Assistant Executive Director of the Contra Costa Council, Executive Director of the Coalition of Labor and Business and as partner in the planning and government relations consulting firm Hasseltine Best. Her academic credentials include a B.A. from Stanford University, Phi Beta Kappa, with great distinction, and an M.A. from Stanford University.

The Contra Costa Economic Partnership is collectively sponsored and represented by countywide municipal jurisdictions, the Contra Costa Council and businesses throughout Contra Costa. The City of Richmond is a member of the Contra Costa Economic Partnership (CCEP) with a representative on the Board.

The Partnership commissioned a major study titled "Moving Toward a Balanced Economy in Contra Costa County" to serve a basis for policy discussion for future development in the country. The objective is to establish a set of principles for decision making relative to future jobs, housing and transportation in Contra Costa County. Ms. Best will speak to the findings of the study as well as other activities of the Partnership under way.

Chairperson of the Day: **DONNA URIYU**

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1998

**MAJOR STEVEN SNYDER**  
U.S.A.F.  
Edwards Air Force Base

Chairperson of the Day: **JOE BAGLEY**

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1998

**LUCIA OWENS, Chiropractic**

## "A SPECIAL THANK YOU"

Thank you Russ & Fimi for your wonderful hospitality. The Rotary Picnic was Great!

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN called the meeting to order, led us in the Pledge to the Flag and led us again in a rendition of "The Old Gray Mare". The thought for the day, a quote from Walt Disney who said, "If you can dream it, you can do it."

A thank you card was read from Amy Zera

Announcements of upcoming Charity Events were made by **JOE BAGLEY** and **JIM BEAVER**.

**MARKKU PELANNE** recognized **BUD MARTIN** and **WALTER WOLFFS** for their birthdays.

### Program

**JUDY MORGAN** introduced our speaker **Upesi Mtambuzi** whose topic was "Welfare to Work". She gave a good speech on how it works and then answered questions from several members.

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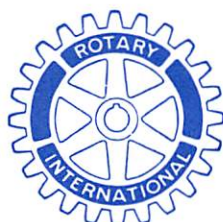
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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 1998

**CAPTAIN STEVEN SNYDER**  
U.S.A.F.  
Edwards Air Force Base

Captain Steven P. Snyder was born April 30, 1965 and grew up in Brookfield, Illinois. He started on the road to aviation early by joining the Civil Air Patrol where he learned to fly gliders, powered aircraft and hot air balloons. Upon graduating from high school, he attended the U.S Air Force Academy, where he graduated with a BS in aeronautical engineering in 1987. His first assignment was as an aircraft design engineer in the Technology exploitation Office of the Flight Dynamics Laboratory, Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio. Next, he went back to school and completed an MS in aeronautical engineering at the Air Force Institute of Technology in 1991. Following school he was assigned to the C-130 System Program Office, Robins AFB, Georgia, where he was a program manager and structural engineer. He returned to school again and graduated from the Flight Test Engineering course at the USAF Test Pilot School in 1996. Currently he is assigned as a flight test engineer to the F-22 Combined Test Force at Edwards AFB.

Steve, and his wife Vickie, have two young daughters, Emily and Carly.

Chairperson of the Day: JOE BAGLEY

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 1998

LUCIA OWENS, Chiropractic

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by “Row, Row, Row Your Boat” sung in a round and everything. The thought for the day was provided by chairperson of the day DONNA URIYU. JOHN then thanked RUSS SCHULZE for hosting a very fun picnic.

JOE NUSBAUM introduced our two newest members: JUDY COLEMAN (a returning member and song leader extraordinaire) and (here comes the judge) JONI HIRAMOTO. They received a standing ovation.

### Announcements

HANK COVELL announced that he had two tickets for the Calif. Shakespeare Festival. PAM JONES won them after an impromptu auction. Thursday, September 24 is an evening of dinner and the Masquers Theater. The play is “Post Mortem” and tickets are \$30 each. See HANK. ERLE BROWN told us once again that Rotary Day at Marine World is September 19. Buy those raffle tix. JIM BEAVER pitched the Rescue Mission golf tourney.

### Recognitions

MARKKU got a fine out of JUDY MORGAN for addressing LESLIE LEVY as Mr. and Leslie... LESLIE was given a plaque by JUDY and welcomed to the Chamber of Commerce. MIKE WINTER just got back from Hawaii where he celebrated his anniversary. DAVE ALMEIDA had a birthday and an anniversary. It was STONEY's anniversary and DAVE SMITH's birthday. \$2 was collected from all who forgot their Rotary pins. ELOF announced he had pix from the event and DAN SANDERS was feeling guilty for feeling so young, so he paid for this birthday early.

JOE NUSBAUM announced that we need updates on email and FAX numbers.

### Program



DONNA URIYU introduced our speaker Linda Best who is director of the Contra Costa Economic Partnership. Linda has impressive credentials including being Phi Beta Kappa from Stanford. Linda began by describing the Partnership, its origins and the composition. As a 2/3 private sector, 1/3 public economic development partnership, it has been very successful.

The Partnership's activities have been to help promote and facilitate permit streamlining, design and run a workforce preparation program, teaching “soft skills” such as how to dress and handle an interview. The Partnership has produced a white paper on transportation and infrastructure. They have a very successful job creation and incubator program. She discussed the process of researching and analyzing the economy and how they have been suggesting methods of improving the climate for doing business.

### Raffle:

JOHN prefaced the raffle by telling us that there were no visitors and guests - this means bring people! BOB NICCOLLS and ERLE BROWN won the raffle.

I'm baaaack, JEFF NATHANSON

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Family Fun Day  
Marine World  
September 19, 1998

In conjunction with Family Fun Day there will be a Silent Auction. Following are the items to be bid on:

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<i>Vacations and Get Aways</i>			<i>Great Stuff</i>		
9	7 day stay at Aspen Haus	\$ 1,300	100	Food 4 Less Shopping Spree	\$ 250
10	Trip to Salt Lake City		101	Ski Painting	800
11	El Dorado, Reno	400	102	A case of California Wine	250
12	3 night stay South Lake Tahoe	540	<i>More Great Stuff</i>		
13	2 night stay Anaheim Marriott	400	103	Lionel Black Diamond Electric Train	400
14	5 nights Russian River Home	750	104	Estate Planning/Living Trust	1,500
15	2 weekday nights at SEASCAPE	700	195	4x6 Karastan Area Rug	679
<i>Golfing and Fishing</i>					
41	Golf at Green Valley C.C.	332			
42	Golf at Spy Glass	450			
43	Fishing trip for 4	450			
<i>Exquisite Dining</i>					
70	Dinner for 4 at Crow Canyon CC	200			

Contact: ERLE BROWN for more information

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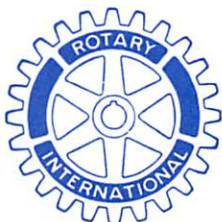
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**LUCIA OWENS**  
Chiropractor

Dr. Lucia Owens, Chiropractor, was born on September 3, 1958 near Greenbelt, Maryland, where she grew up. Daughter of a well-known government genetic engineer, she studied the sciences at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, and graduated in 1980 with a BA in Geology. She worked summers during college for the Bureau of Land Management, first as a forest fire fighter on the helicopter initial attack crew, then as a geologist in Wyoming and Colorado. Before she settled into a career, Dr. Owens did volunteer work as an inner city community organizer in Columbus, Ohio and Dallas, Texas. She was successful in keeping several county funded community based health clinics from being shut down. Several years later she helped found a community radio station where she was Assistant News Director. There she produced and broadcast news and talk shows.

After a shoulder injury Dr. Owens discovered Chiropractic. She continued her move west to attend Life Chiropractic College West, San Lorenzo, California, where she was Editor of the college newspaper and president of the Directional Non-Force Technique club. Dr. Owens graduated cum laude in 1995 and practices in Albany.

Chairperson of the Day: CAROLE SELIGER

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1998

## "Y2K: Should Your Business Worry?"

**STEVE BARLOW & MARY LOU BONKOFKY**  
Mechanics Bank

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1998

## District Governor's Official Visit

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### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by the Ode to Monica/Democratic version of "On Top of Ol' Smokey" (or was that spaghetti?). The thought for the day was provided by Prez JOHN himself.

### Visitors and Guests

JOE NUSBAUM's guest was Tom Arntz from Chevron; John Raveta was visiting from the Alameda Club; OSCAR LUGO's guest was Mary Gordon; Pam Dickinson was visiting from San Pablo with guest Jay Doane; and ERLE BROWN's guest was his wife Phyllis who announced that she is well and thanked all for their concern; and last, but not least, was Past District Governor George Chaffey.

### Announcements

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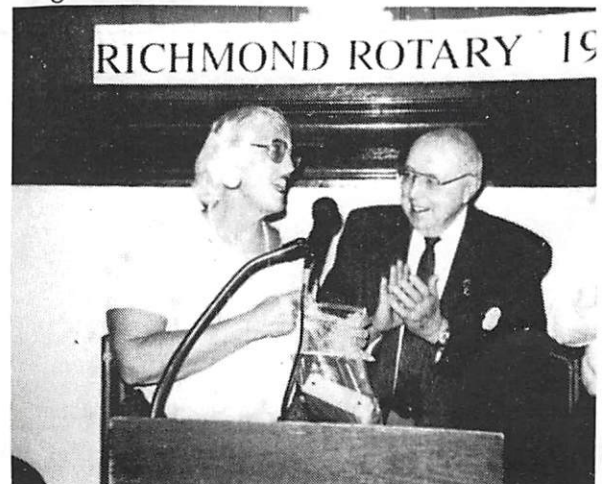
### Recognitions

MARKKU got a \$4 fine out of all who forgot their Rotary pin. LOREN STRAUGHN celebrated his anniversary; BOB NICCOLLS had a birthday.

### Happy \$\$\$

JEFF NATHANSON had a happy fiver for buying a new house and because the Richmond Art Center is getting two new grants and great press. DAVE BROWN was fifty bucks happy for his upcoming trip. GEORGE EGAN was five bucks happy for his business getting "ValuStar" rated. JOE BAGLEY had \$5 for a Lithuania Project being accepted by Rotary International.

JOE NUSBAUM introduced our newest (returning) member JUDY COLEMAN, who received a red badge and a standing ovation.



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### Program

JOE BAGLEY introduced Captain Steven Snyder who told us all about his career as an Air Force test engineer. Captain Snyder was a member of the Civil Air Patrol at a very early age. He studied aeronautical engineering at the US Air Force Academy and the Flight Test Engineering Course and was an aircraft design engineer at the Office of the Flight Dynamics Laboratory. He currently is a flight test engineer to the F-22 Combined Test Force laboratory in Edwards Air Force Base. He did a good job of explaining how he, as an engineer and not a pilot, flies to learn about the experience of flying, G forces and safety for pilots.

### Raffle

Tom Arntz and DAN READY won the raffle.

Scriblin' away, JEFF NATHANSON

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STEVE BARLOW & MARY LOU BONKOFSKY  
The Mechanics Bank

Steve Barlow is the Executive and Chief Operating Officer at The Mechanics Bank, a position he has held for five years. Prior to that he was the CEO at the Napa Valley Bank where he worked from 1975 through 1992. His current responsibilities include retail banking, technology, human resources, product development, marketing, legal and compliance, operations, facilities and security. He is also responsible for the Bank's Year 200 program. He has a Bachelor's degree from Stanford and lives in San Rafael with his wife and two teenage boys.

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Mary Lou Bonkowsky is Vice President and Compliance Officer for The Mechanics Bank. She manages the Bank's compliance and CRA programs and has recently implemented the Bank's Risk Management Policy. Prior to joining The Mechanics Bank, Ms. Bonkowsky was Vice President and Compliance Officer for Bank of America, FSB, the thrift subsidiary of BankAmerica Corporation, where she was awarded the CEO's Teamwork Award for Outstanding CRA Performance in 1995. Her career as a compliance officer began in 1978 with The Chartered Bank of London.

Ms. Bonkowsky is an ICB Certified Regulatory Compliance Committee and is a frequent speaker/panelist at trade association conferences. She co-chaired the 1992 CBA Regulatory Compliance Conference with Kathleen Quenneville, who is now her boss.

Ms. Bonkowsky earned her B.A. degree from Arizona State University.

Chairperson of the Day: DOUG STRAUS

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1998

### District Governor's Official Visit

## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag and led us all in a stirring rendition of *Hey, Look Me Over*. CAROLE SELIGER gave us a thought for the day. It was noted that sixty years ago Charley McCarthy was awarded an honorary degree by Northwestern University. Fellow Alum DOUG STRAUS' matriculation there demonstrates that the institution has maintained high standards over a long period of time. (For those of you too young to remember, Charley McCarthy is Candice Bergen's older brother.)

## Announcements

There is still time to buy tickets for Rotary Day and Marine World on September 19. The Richmond Rotary holiday party will be on December 5 at the San Pablo Yacht Club. And, the Reno trip is scheduled for January 24, 1999. Mark you calendars.

## Rotarians with Guests

LESLIE LEVY introduced her guest, Superior Court Judge Joyce Cram.

## Recognitions/Happy Dollars

Recognitions Chairman MARKKU PELANNE was not present, but JIM SHATTOCK recognized himself and told us how he and Valerie met at a Billy Graham revival on May 21, 1958. JIM swept her off her feet, and they were married three months later on August 30. JIM referred to a "good" forty years. Valerie was not available for comment.

HANS SHAPER was happy to back in the U.S. after spending some time in Russia. He was advised that club accepts Dollars and Deutsche Marks, but Rubles, *Nyet*. RALPH HILL offered \$5 if HANS would go back to Russia.

DONNA BELL had a happy \$5 for her transfer and promotion. She is now the Manager at the Pinole branch of Mechanics Bank. Congratulations, DONNA!

CHARLEY FENDER was happy about his house exchange on Maui, and RICHARD ALEXANDER was happy about his son's tenth birthday.

HERB (*the Snitch*) COLE called attention to yours truly's naked lapel, requiring a \$4 fine for myself and others in similar pinless disarray.

## Program

Speaker of the Day, CAROLE SELIGER, displaying extraordinary poetic ability, introduced guest speaker, our own, LUCIA OWENS. LUCIA's subject was her profession, Chiropractic.

Chiropractors work with the spine and nervous system, and most of us view them as helpful in alleviating pain

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caused by trauma to the body, particularly the spine. However, misalignments and consequent pressure on nerves leading to bodily organs can result in a wide variety of ailments, including such seemingly unlikely problems as gastritis and bedwetting. Chiropractors stress health and nutrition and emphasize disease prevention. They do not prescribe drugs, nor do they do surgery.

Training for chiropractors includes two to four years in basic science and four years of Chiropractic College. The curriculum they follow is similar to that for medical doctors, except there is more emphasis on anatomy and nutrition and less on pharmaceuticals. A one year internship is also required.

LUCIA stated that Chiropractic is the most effective treatment for lower back conditions, and it is also cost effective. Asked if X-rays are always needed, she responded that they are not except in trauma situations. Like other doctors, she carries professional liability insurance.

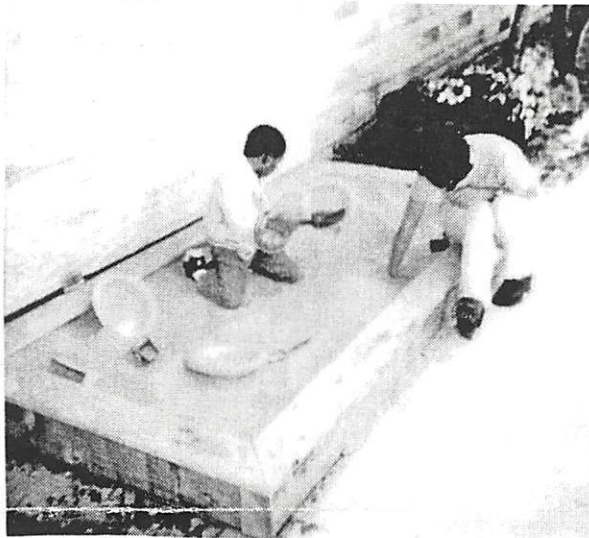
#### MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRESIDENT JOHN requested that everyone bring guests. CAROLE SELIGER delivered greetings from LAUREL LINDENBAUM, and JIM SHATTOCK announced that his daughter Cheryl will be on the program for September 30 when she will explain the "workings of the clarinet." Cheryl plays with the San Francisco Symphony.

**RAFFLE:** Winners of the wine were RICHARD ALEXANDER and DONNA URIYU-McCAIN.

-TED ABREU-

#### Many thanks for building the sandbox for the children of Early Childhood Mental Health Program's Therapeutic Nursery School



"All the children and their teachers join me in saying 'thank you', John, for the wonderful job you did and all the time you spent on this project. From our perspective it was definitely worth it! Richmond Rotary has helped us out several times over the years - with the purchase of a movie camera, hardwood chairs for our therapy rooms and now the sandbox and terrific wagon Ted Abreu donated. Early Childhood appreciates being the benefactor of Richmond Rotary's generosity."

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1998



### GOVERNOR Paul Fisher

Rotary Club of  
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### DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISIT

Paul Fisher attended Piedmont High School and the University of California at Berkeley. He was an Air Force pilot during the Korean conflict. Paul joined the Rotary Club of Walnut Creek in 1981 and was club president in 1990-91.

Paul entered the insurance business upon release from the Air Force in 1955. Beginning his career as an agent, he soon entered the ranks of management. He served as Director of Life Insurance Marketing at Farmers Insurance Group, VP Marketing of General Life of Wisconsin, and VP Marketing of the Farmland Insurance Companies of Kansas City, Missouri, and Des Moines, Iowa. Since 1981, Paul has had a Farmers Group Agency in Walnut Creek.

District service includes the International Service Committee, District Governor Nominating Committee, Governor's Area Representative, Governor's Liaison, Director-Non-Foundation Committees, Director-District Youth Programs, GSE Sending Committee, Foundation Dinner Committees, Co-chairman of MarineWorld Foundation Fundraiser 1996, Chairman of the District Conference Project Task Group and GSE Chairman.

He and his wife, Lucy, also a Paul Harris Fellow, live in Lafayette. Lucy is a personal fitness trainer and a certified interpreter in the Federal Courts. She has taught legal interpretation at San Francisco State University. Their hobbies include Pilates training and backpacking in the High Sierra. Paul is a nationally ranked squash player. They have five children and two grandchildren.

Chairman of the Day: JOHN NICOL

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by a kosher thought by DOUG STRAUS and a heart wrenching verse of "Sunrise, Sunrise".

### Announcements:

ERLE BROWN told us again that Rotary Day at Marine World is September 19. Buy your tix no later than

September 10th and get raffle tix, they've got great prizes and count towards your Paul Harris. PREZ JOHN then read the entire list of prizes.

### Recognitions:

MARKKU PELANNE got a \$4 fine out of all who forgot their Rotary pin. JIM BEAVER's wife went "all the way" on their anniversary; ERLE BROWN also celebrated his anniversary; it was LUCIA OWEN's birthday; JEFF NATHANSON also had a B-day; CAROLE SELIGER sent in a \$100 check.

### Visitors and Guests:

DOUG STRAUS' guest was fellow attorney Mike Peterson.

### Happy \$\$\$:

JONI HIRAMOTO was happy to be back and presented a flag from Chester Rotary; BART WALLACE also had \$20 for being back; JUDY COLEMAN was happy to be retired and to be back in Richmond Rotary and also had \$25 for polio in recognition of her upcoming trip to China; HANS SHAPER was curious to read in the Flywheel he had been in Russia and was happy to be here instead.

### Program:

DOUG STRAUS introduced Steve Barlow and Mary Lou Bonkofsky from the Mechanics Bank who talked about "Y2K" which stands for Year 2000. They gave an overview of the problems to be encountered in 2000 because most computers won't recognize the change from 19\_\_\_. They showed an informative video that gave a good look at the problems that will occur when many items that rely on imbedded microchips are confronted with the millennium date change. This includes elevators, security systems, hospitals and health care facilities, banks, airlines and more. Banks are concerned about their commercial customers and their level of preparedness. All businesses are interconnected and just because one company might be prepared by reprogramming all their computers, that doesn't guarantee that a supplier, lender, or other business on which they rely won't be in trouble and take everyone else with them.

After the video Steve and Mary Lou discussed the ways in which Mechanics Bank is preparing. It is evident that they are being pro-active and cautious. I'm glad we have our commercial accounts with Mechanics!

After the program, PREZ JOHN reminded us that next week the District Governor will be here -- everybody should make an effort to attend.

Raffle: WALTER and OSCAR won the raffle.

Your faithful scribe, JEFF NATHANSON

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1998

### **"More Than Clay: The Toki Collection of Ceramics"** JOHN TOKI

John Toki is an Adjunct Professor at the California College of Arts and Crafts, where he teaches in the ceramics, sculpture and core departments. He is the president and owner of Leslie Ceramic Supply Company in Berkeley (the largest ceramic supply company in Northern California). He is also a past president of the Richmond Art Center Board of Directors and currently serves as a trustee of the Art Center. He has been active over the years promoting ceramic arts for local schools and professional artists at the Toki Gallery.

The Toki family has been collecting ceramic art works for over three decades and now has one of the most extensive collections of Bay Area ceramics in the country. As the Bay Area is home to the country's most important community of ceramic artists, this collection is extremely valuable. The collection is currently on view at the Richmond Art Center through November 14, 1998.

Since 1974, Toki has maintained a sculpture studio in Richmond. He has completed public and private commissions in Europe and the U.S. including Sacramento, Harvard and Richmond. In 1994, he was chosen to produce a ceramic sculptural mural for Oakland City Hall. He has conducted sculpture workshops and lectured in Canada, Alaska, Holland, and in 1997 for the Taiwan Ceramic Association, in Taipei, and Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey in 1998.

In addition to his art practice, John Toki is the co-author of the ceramics textbooks, "Hands In Clay", fourth edition, and "Make It In Clay", Mayfield Publishing Company, Mountain View, California. The textbooks are used in over 2900 colleges throughout the United States and abroad.

Chairperson of the Day: JEFF NATHANSON

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1998

### **"Emerging Pathogens and Food Safety"** MARY ELLEN TAYLOR (from the Food and Drug Administration)

## LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by a short break. After an invitation to all to remove jackets because of the hot weather, we sang a verse of "September Song".

**Visitors and Guests:** DAN TANITA's guest Alex Gaylor.

## Announcements:

- ERLE BROWN told us for the last time that Rotary Day at Marine World is September 19. Tix may still be purchased at the gate but you'll have to pay for parking.
- HANK COVELL announced that Rotary Night at the Masquers Theater is September 24 with dinner at the Hotel Mac. All for \$30.

## Recognitions:

MARKKU PELANNE got a \$4 fine out of all who forgot their Rotary pin. JIM BEAVER's wife went "all the way" on their anniversary; ERLE BROWN also celebrated his anniversary; it was LUCIA OWENS' birthday; JEFF NATHANSON also had a B-day; CAROLE SELIGER sent in a \$100 check.

## Happy \$\$\$:

JOHN was happy that his 4 year old granddaughter won a dancing medal at the Highland Games; JOE KELMAN was sad that his boat was broken into--JON LAWLIS pointed out that he was really sad that it wasn't stolen! BOB NICCOLLS was happy about the birth of his grandson; STEVE LUDWIG was happy about the birth of his second son; JON LAWLIS was happy to be back at Rotary after a month but ambiguous to be back at work; CHARLIE FENDER had a sad 4 quarters (really \$5) for the Cal-Nebraska game.

**New Member:** DAN TANITA introduced the club's newest member, ALEX GAYNOR, who received a standing ovation.

## Program:

District Governor, Paul Fisher, with the assistance of wife Lucy, gave us a very thorough explanation of how Rotary is organized and described some of its projects and activities. Rotary is really two organizations, he said, *Rotary International* and *Rotary Foundation*. Clubs, not individuals, are members of Rotary International. This organization maintains manuals of procedure, bylaws, carries out educational and training activities and

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sponsors youth programs. He described Rotary Foundation as "our bank". It pays for all of Rotary International's work, e.g., GSE scholarships, the Polio Project, Technical Assistance Teams and Matching Grants.

During the course of talk, DG Paul presented some interesting facts and figures:

- The Rotary Scholarship program is four times larger than the Fullbright and Rhodes Scholarship programs combined.
- Rotary and the Salvation Army put out the highest percentage of money with the lowest overhead.
- The Alaska District includes all of that state but also stretches as far as the Urals in Russia and includes thirty clubs in Siberia.
- The presidency of Rotary International rotates back to the United States every third year.
- Regarding the Polio Irradication Project, on one National Immunization Day (NID) 133 million children were immunized in one twenty-four hour period.
- There are no Rotary Clubs in China at present, but we are working on that. The problems that need to be overcome involve issues such as freedom of assembly, free mobility both within the country and across borders, and ability to move money across borders.

The District Governor's explanations were so clear that perhaps he can return another time and try to explain to us, once again, the intricacies of the various funds. However, that may be a task beyond human possibility or comprehension.

**Raffle:**

The "moon shine" and the wine went to JIM BEAVER and MARKKU PELANNE. Not without some controversy however.

Your tandem scribblers,  
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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1998

## "Conservation in Costa Rica"

**BERNARD NIETSCHMANN, Ph.D.**  
Professor of Geography  
U.C. Berkeley

Dr. Bernard Nietschmann received his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He is considered world authority in the area of Conservation. He is on the Committee for Research and Exploration for the National Geographic Society and has conducted biodiversity conservation research for 30 years in Costa Rica. He is currently working for the conservation and sustainable development of Costa Rica's river wildlife, which includes the endangered manatee. He is working in collaboration with the community of Tortuguero, Costa Rica, national park officials, and volunteers from Earthwatch to teach students, youth and adults, conservation plans that can work long term into future generations.

Chairperson of the Day: STEVEN KOBAYASHI

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL began the meeting by introducing the new Mira Vista Chef, Jay Eisenstadt, who promised there would be less chicken. PRESIDENT JOHN then led us in the *Pledge to the Flag* followed by a rendition of *I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover*. (John, where do you find these?) The very timely quote for the day was from Abraham Lincoln: "It has been my experience that folks who have no vices have very few virtues."

### Visitors and Guests:

Visiting Rotarians included Al Howe from the Orinda club and Janet Jolly and Larry Damon from El Cerrito. Rotarians with guests were HANNS SHAPER with wife Eva, GEORGE EGAN with Dr. Luz Lavelle and DAVE ALMEIDA with daughter Angel.

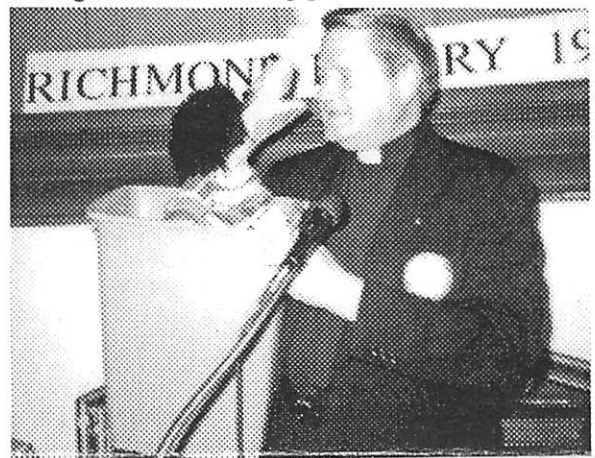
### Induction:

Club Secretary JOE NUSBAUM inducted TOM ARTZ of Chevron into the club. TOM was welcomed with the traditional standing ovation.

### Recognitions, Happy/Sad \$\$\$, etc.:

Recognitions Chairman MARKKU PELANNE called attention to JOHN MEDLOCK who celebrated his 35th birthday on August 9. JOHN doesn't remember what happened on that day (either a sign of approaching senility or that he had too good a time). Judge JONI HIRAMOTO and JOHN NICOL had happy dollars for the good time at *Rotary Day at Marine World*, and HANNS SHAPER was happy to have Eva as his guest. TED ABREU had several *mea culpa* dollars for not getting the Flywheel notes in to Sue last week, thereby failing to note three very important club events:

- Father CHRIS WOERZ' and Linus' *Who Am I?* (or is that a *Who Are We?*). This was truly an original, interesting and entertaining presentation.



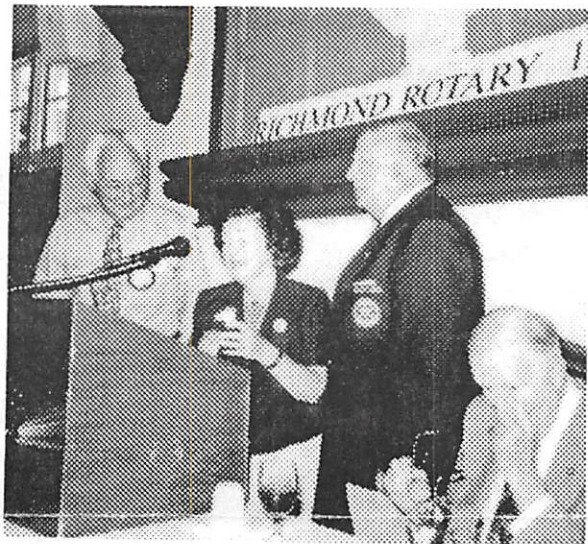
- The recognition of WALTER WOLFF's long time membership in the club--63 years! His wife Pearl was on hand to pin him and make some gracious remarks.



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- And WERNER SCHWARZ was awarded a three ruby pin, representing over \$10,000 in contributions to the Rotary Foundation.



A number of processing techniques, some of them new, which combat food contamination were described. All in all, a very scary and thought provoking presentation. By the way, September is *Food Safety Month*.

**Raffle:**

The scotch was won by WALTER CONNOLLY and the wine by GEORGE EGAN.

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**Program:**

Chairperson of the Day, STEVE LUDWIG, introduced Mary Ellen Taylor from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) who spoke, with an accompanying Power Point presentation, on the topic of *Emerging Pathogens and Food Safety*. She said that 9,000 deaths a year are attributed to food borne illnesses. The medical cost of treating such illnesses is in the billions. She stressed the importance of proper food storage, refrigeration and thawing. Her statistics on the rapidity with which bacteria can multiply on food were startling.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1998

## **"Emerging Pathogens and Food Safety"**

MARY ELLEN TAYLOR

(from the Food and Drug Administration)

Mary Ellen Taylor is presently employed by the Food and Drug Administration as a Public Affairs Specialist. She has been in this position for approximately two years. From Spring '94 to Winter '96 Mary Ellen served as Health and Nutrition volunteer in the United States Peace Corps in Guatemala. She received her Masters Degree of Science in Public Health from Tulane University and she obtained her undergraduate degree in Psychology from the University of Arizona.

September is Food Safety month. The presentation is entitled "Emerging Pathogens and Food Safety" and will focus on what is happening in the world of microbes and what the industry, government and you as consumers can do to prevent food-borne illness. Following the Q&A period, there will be a short forum, if time allows, to discuss the FDA and how this agency can better serve your needs. Please bring ideas with you to the meeting.

Chairperson of the Day: STEPHEN LUDWIG

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1998

## **"Conservation in Costa Rica"**

BERNARD NIETSCHMANN, Ph.D.  
Professor of Geography  
U.C. Berkeley

Chairperson of the Day: STEVEN KOBAYASHI

## **LAST WEEK**

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge.

## **Announcements:**

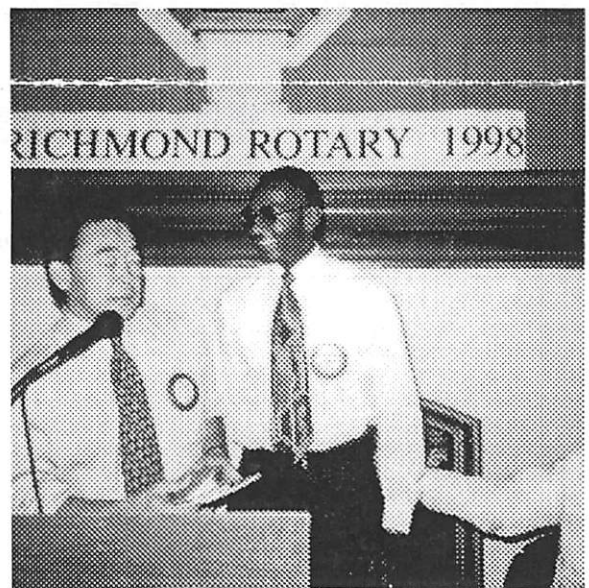
- ERLE BROWN told us for the last time that Rotary Day at Marine World is September 19.
- HANK COVELL announced that Rotary Night at the Masquers Theater is September 24 with dinner at the Hotel Mac. All for \$30.

## **Program:**

Most of the business portion of the meeting was dispensed with so that we might enjoy our speaker, John Toki, introduced by JEFF NATHANSON. Featured was a slide show of the Toki Collection Ceramics.

The Toki family has been collecting ceramic art works for over three decades and now has one of the most extensive collections of Bay Area ceramics in the country. As the Bay Area is home to the country's most important community of ceramic artists, this collection is extremely valuable.

If you want to see this collection in person, it will be available for viewing at the Richmond Art Center through November 14, 1998.



New member ALEX GAYLOR with sponsor DAN TANITA.

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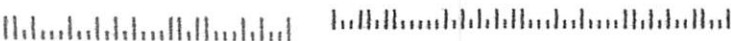


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## "Washington Elementary School"

KAYE BURNSIDE  
Principal

Kaye Burnside came to Washington Elementary School with a vision of how good a school could be, hand picked a faculty to help her make that vision a reality, and then just did it.

The following comparisons tell the story of this week's speaker.

### Before Kaye Burnside:

Standardized test scores  
in single digits

154 students

No outside money

No computers

No public recognition

Little or no public  
participation

### Under her leadership:

Standardized test scores  
reaching into the 80's

380 students and a  
waiting list

Hundreds of thousands  
in grants

State of the art computer  
and full time technology  
instructor

Governor Pete Wilson,  
The Chancellor of the  
Univ. of Calif., foreign  
educators, are just some of  
last year's visitors.

70 Adopt-a-Class  
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### UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

OCT. 30 - CLARINETIST-Sheryl Renk, daughter of  
Chrm. of the Day, JIM SHATTOCK

NOV. 20 - "Don't Get Taken", Abstract talk by Bob  
Steiner. Chrm. of the Day, DAN SANDERS

### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by a verse of "Sometimes I'm Happy". The thought was by PRESIDENT JOHN.

### Visitors and Guests:

Chuck Day was visiting from the San Pablo club. JOE NUSBAUM's guest was Craig Robbitt from EPIC Plastics; HANNS SHAPER's guest was Eva; OSCAR LUGO's guest was Barry Gordon from Mechanics Bank; TED ABREU's guest was Valerie Klinefeld from the high school.

### Announcements:

All skiers interested in a Rotary ski trip to Canada in January should contact BOB NICCOLLS. El Sobrante Rotary has changed their Wednesday lunch location to Two Sisters restaurant.

### Recognitions:

MARKKU PELANNE recognized HANK COVELL who celebrated his birthday; it was JOE BAGLEY's anniversary and B-day; it was DOUG STRAUS' birthday; MARK LACHMAN also had a B-day as did BART WALLACE. JONATHAN LAWLIS had a contribution because Harbor Plastics had its best quarter ever.

PRESIDENT JOHN showed off the Governor's t-shirts -- but he didn't have to wear one!

### Happy \$\$\$s:

MICHAEL FENLEY was happy because the new Macy's opened in the old Emporium space at Hilltop; DON HARDISON was happy because of the Red Oak Victory Ship; GEORGE EGAN had a Rotary banner from Athens, Greece; HANNS SHAPER was not happy because he said everything was wrong on his info page in the directory -- and JOE NUSBAUM had an impassioned rebuttal, indicating that HANNS need not make this into such a dramatic issue!!! JIM SHATTOCK is going to the Panama Canal for 16 days; HANNS was also happy that Kohl was voted out of office; HANK COVELL was happy because of the success of the Night at the Masquers and thanked PAM JONES for her help; DAVE BROWN wasn't able to stay until the end of the Masquer's performance and wanted to know, "Who did it? Somebody tell me Pleeeeeease!!!!" DAVE ALMEIDA introduced his son Christopher.

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### Program:

Chairperson of the Day, STEVE KOBAYASHI, gave an enthusiastic introduction of Professor Bernard Nietschmann, Ph.D., a professor of geography at UC Berkeley who specializes in conservation. He also works for National Geographic and is considered a world authority on biodiversity and conservation issues. For the past thirty years he has concentrated his research and work in Costa Rica which he described as a small country with a lot of wildlife. He described his position as making a connection between the university and the communities he serves. Some of his most important work has been in saving endangered species such as the manatee and the crocodile.

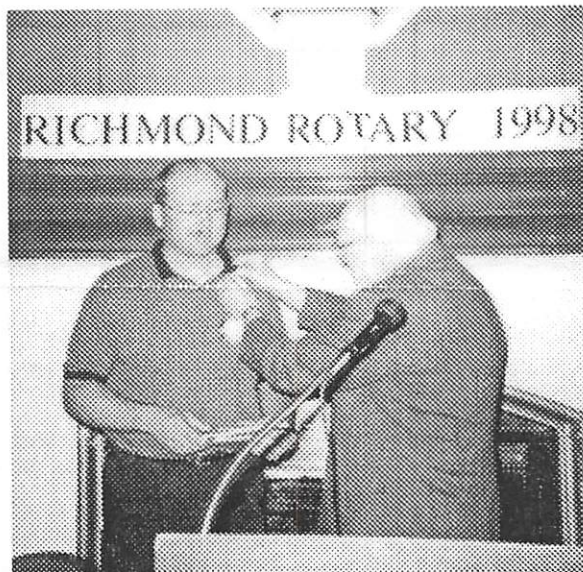
The professor described the university's role as providing knowledge, equipment and enthusiastic students to monitor and disseminate information. He described "eco-tourism" as the largest industry in Costa Rica and discussed the problems they are facing. His team concentrates on gathering, analyzing and communicating information.

The Q&A period presented Dr. Nietschmann with an opportunity to provide some more colorful and descriptive stories including a funny account of the flatulence of the salt water manatees in Belize which you can track by their bubbles. A very interesting and entertaining talk.

### Raffle:

RICH ALEXANDER got the wine, DON LAU got the nuts.

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1998

## "City of Richmond"

**ROSEMARY CORBIN**  
Mayor

Our speaker this week will be Rosemary Corbin, Mayor of Richmond. She was elected to the Richmond City Council in 1985, re-elected in 1989 and elected Mayor of Richmond in 1993. She will be giving us an update on what is happening in Richmond.

Chairperson of the Day: TOM MCGOWAN

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1998

**BOB DRISCOLL**  
Assistant Athletic Director, CAL

Chairperson of the Day: STEVEN KOBAYASHI

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### UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

OCT. 30 - Sheryl Renk, Principal Clarinetist,  
SF Symphony, Chrm. JIM SHATTOCK

NOV. 13 - Sam Geniberg, B&G Development Co.  
"A Journey to Survival"  
Chrm: JOE NUSBAUM

NOV. 20 - Bob Steiner, "Don't Get Taken"  
Chrm: DANIEL L. SANDERS, O.D.

We all sang the old chestnut "Take Me Out to the Ball Game". When do we get to sing, "When it's cherry blossom time in Orange, New Jersey, we'll make a peach of a pair?"

GEORGE EGAN presented a banner from Rotary in Athens, Greece.

### Announcements:

• HANK COVELL reported that the 47th Annual Trip to Reno will be January 24 & 25, 1999. The hotel is the El Dorado. For more information contact HANK or JOHN NICOL as soon as possible.

• JUDY MORGAN declared that October 12 through October 17 is Rose Week in Richmond. Roses are available through the Chamber of Commerce by calling 234-3512. The cost is \$15.00 a dozen.

• The annual Holiday Party is scheduled for December 5. The theme is casual. We await instructions on the definition of "casual".

Visitor: Bill Reece

Guests: TOM MCGOWAN introduced his business associate Jane Rutledge and Sallie DeWitt, Director of the Many Hands Project. Kaye Burnside, Principal of Washington Elementary School in Point Richmond, was also TOM's guest.

Induction: OSCAR LUGO presented BARRY GORDON, Manager of the Mechanics Bank, Point Richmond Branch, as our newest member. Congratulations to BARRY. You deserved that standing ovation. We look forward to your participation in Rotary events.



### LAST WEEK

Always dapper but never gaudy PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the Pledge. TOM MCGOWAN gave us the thought for the day, "Never, never, never, ever, pass us an opportunity to help someone."

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Guest Speaker:

Kaye Burnside presented an inspirational report on the progress of Washington School. She talked about the transformation of a failing institution to a very strong community based program in which we could all take pride. Ms. Burnside recalled that her education was filled with discipline, support, challenge and excitement. She felt that the students as Washington Elementary School deserved no less and set a personal goal to turn the operation around. She reminded us that Richmond can have excellent schools if we have a commitment to excellence. She said, "it's not about the land, it's about the people". She made it known to the teachers, the parents and the community that if they truly wanted to succeed, everyone would be expected to be into believing that the school could be exemplary. She described programs such as "Adopt-a-Classroom", Spirit of Excellence", partnerships with UC Berkeley for teacher training homework centers and "Fun Fridays" all organized so that the Washington School could offer a "private school education at public school prices." The efforts of the Many Hands Foundation, the school itself, as well as just about everyone tied to the school, has brought about international recognition as well as significant grant support. Earlier this year, Ms. Burnside received a \$15,000 award from the Many Hands Foundation to write a book on the Washington School success story to be used as primer for other schools that are committed to turning their programs around. Kaye Burnside's experience reminded all of us that it really does "take a village to raise a child".

Raffle:

LESLIE LEVY won the pumpkin. BILL WAHBEH won a bottle of Kahlua. A very quiet award of Louis Martini wine went to someone who will remain unrecognized unless he or she wants to take a bow at our next meeting.

Submitted with the usual humiliating supplications,

JOE GREEN  
Substitute Scribe

ROSTER UPDATE:

New home address for JEFF NATHANSON:

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1998

**BOB DRISCOLL**  
Executive Associate  
Athletic Director

Now in his 12th year with the Cal Athletic Department, Robert G. Driscoll Jr. serves as executive associate athletic director and is responsible for the overall administration of the revenue-producing sports of football and men's basketball. He serves as John Kasser's lead administrator in intercollegiate athletic matters and heads the department when Kasser is away from the office. In addition, he oversees the volleyball, men's and women's swimming & diving, waterpolo, baseball, softball, rugby, strength training, equipment, compliance and sports medicine programs.

Prior to assuming his current role, Driscoll was the associate athletic director for student services for five years, overseeing such areas as recruiting, admissions and financial aid.

Before arriving at Cal, Driscoll served six years as the athletic director and chair of the Department of Physical education, Recreation and Intramural Sports at Mills College in Oakland. Prior to arriving at Mills, Driscoll was assistant athletic director and head baseball and hockey coach at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y.

Driscoll was a standout ice hockey and baseball player at Ithaca College (N.Y.) where he received a B.A. in physical education in 1974. He earned his M.S. in physical education/psychology of sports, from Ithaca in 1975. He is currently pursuing his Ph.D. in education from Cal.

Chairperson of the Day: STEVEN KOBAYASHI

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## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1998

**SHERYL RENK**  
Principal Clarinetist  
SF Symphony

Chairperson of the Day: JIM SHATTOCK

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## NOVEMBER PROGRAMS

Nov. 6 - Speaker from EPA "The Hot Spots of Richmond"  
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(If you cannot be there for door duty please make your arrangements for a substitute.)

## LAST WEEK

A semi-stylish PRESIDENT NICOL led the assembled masses in the Pledge followed by TOM "No Frowns" McGOWAN's words for the day. TOM shared the following from former Sausalito Mayor Sally Stanford who said, "you can't have too much fun" and a capper from Mae West, "When faced with two evils I always picked the one I never tried." In honor of Rose Week in Richmond, JOHN NICOL led us in a nearly somber version of "My Wild "David" Rose". Our rendition would have tugged at the heartstrings of just about any breathing soul.

## Announcements:

- TOM BUTT, with the spiritual assistance of JOE NUSBAUM, reported that the annual Greater Richmond Interfaith Program walk is scheduled for October 31 at 8 a.m. Starting point is Richmond City Hall. TOM BUTT passed around a pledge card for Rotarians to pledge dollars for miles walked. For more information call TOM or JOE.
- The 90th anniversary of the San Francisco Rotary Club is being celebrated with a special meeting. The guest speaker will be Rotary International President Jim Lacy. Those interested in attending the meeting should contact JOHN NICOL as soon as possible.
- The Annual Richmond Rotary Club auction will be held on Friday, December 4. Contact JIM BEAVER for details. The annual Holiday Party will be held on December 5. Details beyond "it's casual" are forthcoming.

Visiting Rotarian: Brian Donahy of the Berkeley Club.

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**Richmond Rotarians with Guests:** MARKKU PELANNE introduced his mother Maria; GARY BELL introduced Anna Vega, new Finance Director, City of Richmond; DAN READY introduced his son Mike and TOM McGOWAN introduced Mayor Rosemary Corbin.

**Recognitions:**

Grand Poobah of the Poser, MARKKU PELANNE, identified the following: REN PARTRIDGE for his birthday; DAVID SMITH for his 13th wedding anniversary; CHARLIE FENDER for 56th (whew!) wedding anniversary; said his secret of success was "love glue". GARY BELL was recognized on the occasion of reaching the big 40. Congrats to all.

**Happy \$5's**

DAVID ALMEIDA in honor of bringing the Red Oak Victory back to Richmond. PRESIDENT JOHN used this occasion to commend all Rotarians who helped bring the Red Oak Victory home. (I was one of those lucky people. If only we could capture the good will and happiness that was felt on the ship and spread it around Richmond every day, I am convinced that the City could do wonders again.) DAVID "K" on becoming a grand uncle and godfather all on the same day. ELOF GRANBERG chipped in a happy five as did BOB NICCOLS. FATHER CHRIS WOERZ gave a happy five to announce tours of one of the best kept secrets in Richmond - Salesian High School. Tours are scheduled for Oct. 21, Nov. 11, Dec. 1 and Dec. 16th. For details contact FATHER CHRIS.

**Program:**

Mayor Rosemary (McGowan) Corbin was introduced by TOM (no close relation to Rosemary) McGowan. Mayor Corbin presented a "good news--troublesome news" report about the condition of Richmond. Examples of the good news included a prestigious award from the Urban Land Institute for Memorial Parkside development in Richmond; construction of Transit Village which will enhance downtown Richmond through new housing, new shopping and an entertainment complex all built around Richmond's intermodal transportation station at BART and Amtrak; Renovation of the old Ford Plant; and development of upscale housing units at Ferry Point. All these examples emphasize that Richmond must be considered as a whole City and not just a loose organization of neighborhoods. The Mayor continued by saying that the greatest threat to the long term turnaround for Richmond is loss of revenues for the maintenance of City services. In the last 15 years, cities in California have suffered severe losses in many forms of tax revenues. Despite the fact that Richmond is working on ways to find efficiencies and streamline City operations, the community's expectations of services will always exceed the City's revenues to supply those services. Too many people localize themselves. In order for Richmond to succeed we will have to work together as a whole.

Submitted with a pen and a flourish,  
JOE GREEN  
Substitute Scribe

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## "How Not to Get Cheated at Cards"



### BEAT A CHEAT

A 45-Minute Video by Mike Joseph --  
America's leading authority on card  
cheating schemes and scams.

Learn how to protect yourself and learn how the cheat  
plys his trade. Contents include shiners, peeks, stacking  
the deck, marked cards, mucks, daubs, shaders, fake cuts,  
nicks and much more!

Chairperson of the Day: JOHN NICOL

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1998

## "Hot Spots in Richmond" (from the viewpoint of the EPA)

KENT KITCHINGMAN

Chrm: Loren Straughn  
Door: Jim Shattock & Dan Sanders  
Thought: Dan Sanders

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### LAST WEEK

PRESIDENT JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed  
by a "With a Little Help From My Friends" by the  
Beatles (Yea!). The Winston Churchill words of wisdom  
were presented by PRESIDENT JOHN.

### Visitors and Guests:

Jules Mayer was visiting from the Berkeley club. HERB  
COLE's guest was Diana Easton; BUD's guest was DAVE  
ALMEIDA's son Chris; STEVE KOBAYASHI's guest was  
the day's speaker Bob Driscoll; LESLIE LEVY introduced  
her guest Richard Schotz.

### Announcements:

December 5th is the annual Rotary Holiday Party. Stay  
tuned for Reno trip information.

There were no recognitions.

### Happy \$\$\$:

MICHAEL DOWNER, recently returned from vacation,  
was happy that he didn't run over anyone in his rental  
car; JON LAWLIS and JOE KELMAN were both happy  
because of Harbor Plastics' new expansion project.  
STONEY had a cast on his foot (because of an in-grown  
toenail). TROY PEWITT has a new daughter and a new  
home; LLOYD HENRY was happy for football--  
Stanford, UCLA, CAL, 49ers--all of 'em. REN  
PARTRIDGE had \$\$ because no one took his money when  
he was standing at the bar late; DOUG STRAUS was  
happy that TROY's daughter looks like her mother. JEFF  
NATHANSON thanked JOE GREEN for doing a great job  
as stand-in scribe.

We had several minutes of socializing and JIM  
SHATTOCK told about his trip to the Panama Canal.

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JIM also explained that his daughter Sheryl Renk, clarinetist with the SF Symphony and who is scheduled to perform at next week's lunch, has to reschedule to December 11 because Michael Tilson Thomas changed the rehearsal schedule. DAVE SMITH was pleased because he was supposed to organize the program for December 11th. BILL WAHBEH tried to pick a fight because he thinks Rotary could be doing more to feed the hungry.

**Program:**

Chairperson of the Day, STEVE KOBAYASHI, gave an heartfelt introduction of Bob Driscoll, executive Associate Athletic Director at UC Berkeley. The witty and entertaining Mr. Driscoll began by offering T-shirts and baseball caps as a bribe for staying awake and paying attention. He then gave a brief history of his career as an aspiring athlete in college and then hockey coach. After years in Schenectady, NY, he was sick of the cold winters and headed west, landing in Oakland. After six years at Mills College (a job he took so he could meet "chicks") he was hired at Cal. Cal has taken a new leadership role nationally in sports. After many rocky years, they are on the rise as a major sports power. They are making a new major investment in football and basketball with new staff and the building of a new pavilion. Teams other than the major money makers have done well also including rugby which has won 8 consecutive championships. He also explained that Cal

had a commitment to graduate their athletes and to help them realize their potential as students and athletes. Statistics show that the odds are against making it as a pro, so it's very important that they graduate and succeed beyond sports. After discussing the healthy rivalries with UCLA and Stanford he took questions and conducted a contest for the T-shirts and caps.

**Raffle:**

FATHER CHRIS and DAVID "K" were the winners.

Your first string scribe,  
JEFF NATHANSON

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1998

## "Hot Spots in Richmond" (from the viewpoint of the EPA)

KENT KITCHINGMAN

Kent Kitchingman has a BS in Electronics Engineering from Portland State University and attended graduate studies in Environmental Engineering at the same school. Kent worked briefly for the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality before moving to the Environmental Protection Agency where he has held several positions. He was an air inspector, air pollution control specialist, air toxics specialist, managed quality assurance, field and lab programs, and supervised Superfund site project managers.

Kent is currently on assignment to the City of Richmond (Planning Department) as the City's Brownfields Coordinator. Current duties consist of working with commercial/industrial property owners, the public, real estate agents and developers and environmental regulatory agencies to expedite the cleanup and development of brownfield properties in Richmond.

Chairperson of the Day: LOREN STRAUGHN

Door: Jim Shattock & Dan Sanders  
Thought: Dan Sanders

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1998

## "Journey to Survival"

SAM GENIBERG

Chrm: Joe Nusbaum  
Door Duty: Don Miller and Gary Bell  
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### LAST WEEK

Past President DAVE SMITH showed us that he hasn't lost his touch in the years since his presidency. He led us in the pledge followed by a thought by ERLE BROWN.

### Visitors and Guests:

Neil Wells was visiting from the El Cerrito club. TOM McGOWAN's guest was John Hulman; OSCAR LUGO's guest was Graham Hawkes; I also saw DAVE ALMEIDA's son Chris.

### Announcements:

- TOM BUTT announced the GRIP Harmony Walk on October 31. Sign up pledge forms were passed around and TOM challenged us to beat Kiwanis Club.
- Acting prez DAVE announced that applications for exchange students scholarships are now available. There are seven scholarships available, worth \$22,000 each. There are also cultural immersion scholarships available. See DAVE.

### Recognitions:

It was CHARLIE WONG's 73rd birthday. He used to celebrate his birthday with Carl Reh fuss and suggested that October 23rd be designated Carl Reh fuss Day so we could celebrate it every year.

### Happy \$\$\$s:

TOM McGOWAN will contribute \$100 to anybody's Paul Harris who helps him find new help. MARK LACHMAN was very happy that Rubicon has moved into a large, new and improved bakery facility.

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**Program:**

DAVE SMITH introduced our speaker for the day, the video tape "Beat a Cheat" by Mike Joseph, America's leading authority on card cheating. The small group present will now challenge those Rotarians who did not see the video to a friendly game of poker. We'll see who has the upper hand!

**Raffle:**

ALEX GAYNOR the winner, but he'll have to wait until next week to get a prize.

Your faithful scribe,  
JEFF NATHANSON

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## “Journey to Survival”

SAM GENIBERG

From Dubno, Ukraine, Sam Geniberg came to El Cerrito by way of Poland, Soviet Union and Germany.

Mr. Geniberg was 18 years old when he escaped from the Ghetto days before the final liquidation of its 12,000 Jews. He survived the war in Germany posing as a Ukrainian gentile man.

Sam has been living in El Cerrito for the past 40 years with his family. He is the Managing partner of B&G Development Company of Berkeley

Chairperson of the Day: JOE NUSBAUM

Door Duty: Don Miller and Gary Bell  
Thought: Gary Bell

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PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1998

## “DON'T GET TAKEN!”

Abstract of talk by  
BOB STEINER

Chrm: Dan Sanders  
Door Duty: Loren Straughn & Stan Teaderman  
Thought: Loren Straughn

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### LAST WEEK

A very neat JOHN NICOL led the members in the pledge. A very good turnout did a semi-beautiful rendition of “Yellow Submarine”. If John Lennon came back from the dead, would he have spun in his grave upon hearing us?

DAN SANDER's thought for the day came from India, “I am that. You are that. It is that. That's all there is.” It was given in keeping with the theme for the day's presentation - recycling.

JOHN NICOL announced that DAVID CALFEE had donated \$500 for relief to flood victims in Central America. Other Rotarians are encouraged to follow DAVID's excellent example.

The reigning ringmaster of recognitions, MARKKU PELANNE called on the following:

- WERNER SCHWARZ for his birthday which coincides with the freezing of the Rhine River. Nothing of any other great significance occurs on this day.
- NORM FOLEY for his 17th wedding anniversary.
- Dr. DON MILLER also for his wedding anniversary.

Visiting Rotarian - Al Howe from Orinda.

### Rotarians with Guests:

TOM McGOWAN with John Holman, RICH BRANDES with Dennis Spaniol from the Council of Industries, DAN READY with Dave Troughton and JOE NUSBAUM with Sam Geniberg (speaker for the meeting of November 13).

### Annual Holiday Party:

Mark your calendars for December 5. That is the day for our annual holiday party. This year the dinner dance will be held at the Point San Pablo Yacht Club. The cost is \$45.00 per couple. To sign up or for more information contact HENRY KELMAN.

### Speaker for the Day:

JONATHAN LAWLIS introduced Kent Kitchingman who is with the environmental Protection Agency but currently on loan to Richmond Planning Department to coordinate the City's Brownfield's pilot project.

A Brownfield is any property where the potential for contamination has a negative impact on the use, sale or development of the property. Examples of Brownfield projects in Richmond could include North Shoreline,

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Terminal 1 (former Petromark site in Brickyard Cove) which now is slated to receive new upscale housing, the Central Richmond Greenway, Point Molate and the old railroad right of way at Ohio Avenue which could become a bike path.

Kent pointed out that Richmond, along with other cities in the Bay Area, has acreage that could be targeted for redevelopment and/or rehabilitation that currently cannot be sold because of liabilities stemming from contamination. Cities have been slow to move on contamination cleanup because of regulatory involvement, large financial layouts for clean up as well as ongoing commitments to property maintenance. The Brownfield's project expedites the cleanup process through a program of assistance with site assessment, community education programs, technical review with developers and production of marketing materials. The impact of cooperation means faster turnaround time in pollution removal which will lead to broader economic development. It is truly a win-win story for the environment groups and the developers.

Brownfields is another demonstration of how Richmond is working hard to become a better place to live, work and recreate.

**Raffle:**  
BOB NICCOLLS and JOHN NICHOL won potential libations.

Corrections, additions or deletions will be made at a future date.

JOE GREEN  
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## "DON'T GET TAKEN!"

Abstract of talk by  
**BOB STEINER**

Bob Steiner is a CPA and a professional magician. He has investigated bunco, scams, bunkum and claims of psychic and paranormal ability from around the world. He is on the Board of Advisors of the National Association of Bunco Investigators, National President 1988-1989 of The Society of American Magicians, Fellow of The Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP), Associates of the Inner Magic Circle and more. Among his nine books is *DON'T GET TAKEN!*

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Chairperson of the Day: **DAN SANDERS**

Door Duty: **Loren Straughn & Stan Teaderman**  
Thought: **Loren Straughn**

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1998 - NO PROGRAM

## ROUND TABLE



Door Duty: **Joe Nusbaum & Ralph Hill**  
Thought: **Joe Nusbaum**

## UPCOMING DECEMBER PROGRAMS

- Dec. 4 - **Annual Richmond Rotary Club Auction**  
Chrm: Jim Beaver. Door: Erle Brown & Lloyd Henry. Thought: Dave Smith
- Dec. 11 - **Sheryl Renk, Clarinetist with the SF Symphony.** Chrm Jim Shattock (her dad)  
Door: Stoney Stonework & Mike Winter  
Thought: Henry Keiman. Raffle: B. Martin
- Dec. 18 - **Kennedy High School Choir**  
Chrm: Herb Cole. Door: Mark Lachman & Bud Martin. Thought: Erle Brown  
Raffle: H. Kelman

Any questions call **ERLE BROWN** at 233-6291

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## LAST WEEK

President **JOHN NICOL** led the *Pledge to the Flag* and followed with a thought for the day about the connection between getting up in the morning and getting up in the world. **GARY BELL** had another thought for the day, "The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they know how to make the best of what they have." These thought were followed by a stirring rendition of *Home on the Range*. We were all shocked by **PRESIDENT JOHN's** announcement that this was the anniversary of the invention of the electric milking machine in 1939. He also recognized member **GERRY CULLEN** and his amazing and inspiring feats.

**Rotarians with Guests:** Judge **JONI HIRAMOTO** with Judge Marjorie O'Malley; **WERNER SCHWARZ** with "his own wife"; and **WALTER WOLFF** with wife Pearl.

## Recognitions

Chairperson **MARKKU PELANNE** extracted information and contributions from **MALCOLM LEE** and **GERRY CULLEN** who both had birthdays.

## Happy \$\$\$s:

- **JOHN LAWLIS** had \$20 for his new "company car", a Jaguar (wheels for a mid-life crisis) convertible.
- **JONI HIRAMOTO** had one in honor of veterans.
- **JIM BEAVER** to celebrate his son's recovery.
- **JUDY MORGAN** for the 300 dozen roses sold in the Richmond Chamber of Commerce fundraiser.



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# Announcements:

- JIM BEAVER brandished a large stuffed Bank of the West bear donated by GARY BELL to remind us all about the **Annual Auction at the December 4** meeting. Bring items to be auctioned and the wherewithal to purchase some of the myriad items, services or events.
- RICH BRANDES announced that Rotary International has \$20 million dollars for children's projects from which Richmond Rotary has applied for a \$25,000 grant to assist the Bay Area Rescue Mission's youth programs. The intention is to put in a computer lab at the Mission. Active involvement in Mission youth programs will be encouraged. Members of the of the Steering Committee for this project are JOE BAGLEY, DON LAU, PAM JONES and RICH BRANDES.

# Speaker for the Day:


Chairman of the Day JOE NUSBAUM introduced Sam Geniberg, survivor of the Holocaust, who spoke of his extraordinary experiences beginning in 1941 as the Nazis implemented the "final Solution". From that time, until his liberation by the British in 1945, he was a witness to the extermination of 12,000 Jews in his community, including both of his parents and other family members. His descriptions of the atrocities and humiliation they were subjected to, the grouping and segregation of *useful Jews* from *non-useful Jews*, and the confinement in ghettos seem like a nightmare as he relived it for us. Mr. Geniberg's determination to survive and his willingness

to tell his story are admirable and extremely moving. It was very appropriate to hear his story in the week in which we honored and remembered America's veterans, many of whom participated in ending the horror he described.

# Raffle:

The winners were HORACE STONEWORK and DAN READY.

Subbing for the subs,  
TED ABREU



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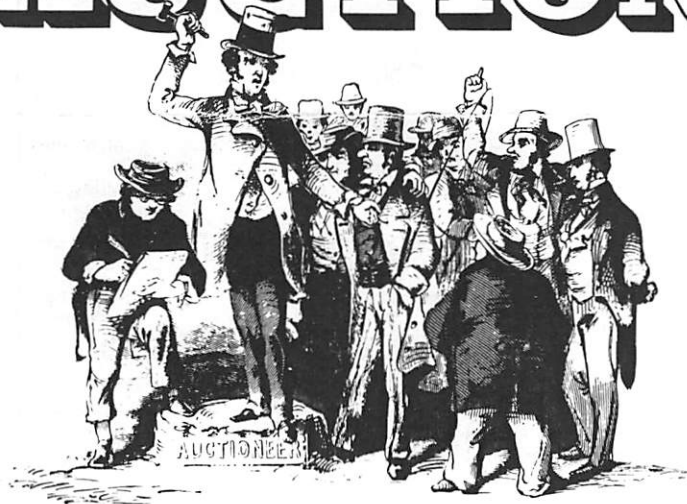
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## AUCTION



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Thought: Dave Smith

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LAST WEEK

President JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by a very sad version of "Goodnight Irene", suggested by JOE NUSBAUM. The thought was by JIM BEAVER. ERLE BROWN shouted "Go Bears" and was fined \$5 for his lack of manners.

President JOHN informed us with sadness that LEM WASHINGTON will have his life support cut off Friday night. Let us all say a prayer for a fine Rotarian.

**Rotarians with Guests:** Larry Dane was visiting from the El Cerrito Club. BILL REID's guest was Mechanics Bank Chairman of the Board Eddie Downer; HERB COLE's guest was his father-in-law Ray Lesayo; JONI HIRAMOTO's guest was Judge Mary Ann O'Malley; DAVE ALMEIDA's son Chris and daughter Gabrielle were present.

**Announcements:** JEFF NATHANSON announced the Richmond Art Center's annual Holiday Arts Festival and Auction to be held on Sunday, December 6 from Noon-4 p.m. Raffle tickets were available and passed around. Prez JOHN suggested a \$5 donation for the advertisement.



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**Recognitions:** MARKKU, using his best tough guy attitude, demanded \$20 from JEFF for the RAC plug. A plea of non-profit organization brought forth a generous offer from BILL REID to pay the \$20. Thanks Bill! Moving right along, DON LAU celebrated his birthday; it was also TROY PEWIT's B-day -- the Big 3-0; BILL REID celebrated his anniversary. MARKKU also noticed that BUD MARTIN had RAY MARTIN's badge; and, finally, sergeant-at-arms JOE KELMAN was not wearing his Rotary lapel pin. A \$3 fine was levied for all without a pin.

**More Business:** JIM BEAVER announced that the annual auction and elections will be on December 4. The 1999-2001 nominees for the Board of Director was announced by president-elect DON LAU. Past president JOE BAGLEY announced officers: treasurer DAVE ALAMEIDA and secretary JOE NUSBAUM. Wow, what a surprise! JOE also announced that the president-elect for the next year is LESLIE LEVY, who will be this club's FIRST woman president. It is great to see how progressive we are. RUSS SCHULZE expressed his happiness at Leslie's nomination. OSCAR LUGO reminded us that the annual Holiday party will be on December 5th at the San Pablo Yacht Club. CHARLIE then shouted Go Bears and had to cough up 5 bucks. This led to a minor skirmish around the Cal-Stanford game which prompted Erle's comment that he was worried that Stanford alumni BILL REID and Eddie Downer will sneak in some extra charges on his Mechanics Bank statement. LLOYD HENRY pointed out that a tree and a bear are getting breathalyzer tests for

the first time.  
**Program:** CPA BOB STEINER has investigated scams, bunco and claims of psychic and paranormal activity around the world. He is a professional magician and was extremely funny and entertaining while telling us how to avoid getting ripped off or cheated. In his talk "Don't Get Taken", he performed card tricks and proved that there are good and bad liars in Rotary. He involved a lot of club members in his tricks and the participation was a lot of fun. In his performance of mental tricks he explained that many so-called "psychic" readings and such are just "tricks". Apparently we also need to be aware that there is much fraud out there in the medical field and with bank cash scams. The moral is always be aware of the trickster! He drove this point home by telling us how he does a magic trick in which he makes a scarf disappear. Right in front of our eyes he still fooled us. Man, I love good magic.

**Raffle:** HERB COLE and JOHN NICOL were the winners.

Your Faithful Scribe, Jeff Nathanson

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*December 5, 1998*  
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*See Henry Kelman*

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Chairperson of the Day: Jim Shattock  
Door Duty: Stoney Stonework & Mike Winter  
Thought: Henry Kelman  
Raffle: B. Martin

## PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1998

### KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Chairman: Herb Cole  
Door Duty: Mark Lachman & Bud Martin  
Thought: Erle Brown  
Raffle: H. Kelman

## LAST WEEK

JOHN (the Body) NICOL called the meeting together and led all in attendance in the Pledge.

The meeting centered around the annual auction. Therefore, many of the usual procedures were not followed this day.

Visiting Rotarians were Ken Stewart and Bob "Gizmo" Miller from Foisom.

Guests included Michelle Ittagocci with JUDY MORGAN, Val Shattock with her husband Jim, Richard Schott with LESLIE LEVY and Jamie Lake with MIKE WINTERS.

JOHN NICOL turned the meeting over to Auctioneer for Life — JIM BEAVER. A panoply of wondrous donations filled the Rotarians' eyes with the potential for big time bidding. We are limited by time and space for not listing every transaction. However, the most significant transaction dealt with golden jockey shorts and \$300 worth of bids to see our President parade in said shorts. It was quite a sight! I guess we could be singing "We all live in yellow undershorts": at our next meeting. Since this particular event will probably occur next year, DON LAU will have some mighty big laundered underpants to fill. Richmond Rotary will never be the same.

The 22nd annual bidding for Rotary Muscatel was won by DR. DON MILLER.

According to JIM BEAVER, over \$5,500 was collected from this auction.

The election for Rotary officers for terms beginning in 1999 was also conducted at this meeting. Results of the voting showed the following:

President	DON LAU
Vice President-	
President Elect	LESLIE LEVY
Treasurer	DAVID ALMEIDA
Secretary	JOE NUSBAUM

BOB NICCOLLS and DAVID BROWN were elected to the Board. A run-off between JOE GREEN and JUDY COLEMAN for a third Director's slot will be held at the December 11th meeting of Rotary.

JOE GREEN

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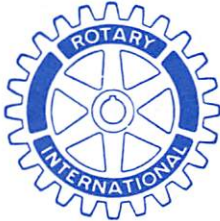
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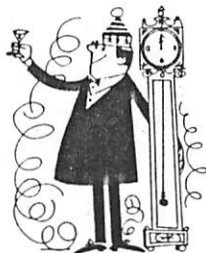
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1998 - NO MEETING



FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1999 - NO MEETING

HAPPY  
New Year



### LAST WEEK

President JOHN NICOL led us in the pledge followed by "Summer Time", sung out of tune and out of season. The thought was by HENRY KELMAN.

### Visitors and Guests:

DAVID SMITH's guest was his daughter Anna; CHARLIE WONG's guest was his wife Jean; JONI HIRAMOTO's guest was Judge Bessie Dreibelbis; JIM SHATTOCK's wife Valerie and daughter Sheryl (today's speaker/performer) were present as well as JOHN NICOL's son Scott.

### Announcements:

- DON LAU introduced Maureen Hill, principal of Nystrom School, who was present with others from the school. They gave us a report on the success of the Blue Ribbon Program with sincere appreciation to Rotary for our support.

- ERLE BROWN presented TED ABREU and MALCOLM LEE with Paul Harris Fellowships, which received well deserved standing ovations.



JON LAWLIS was recognized for contributing over \$2,000 to the Rotary Foundation.



- STONEY announced he would "pass out" and then he passed around a sign-up sheet for the 1999 job shadow program, informing us of when Ground Hog Day is -- the official shadow holiday.



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## Recognitions:

MARKKU recognized WALTER WOLFFS for hitting a hole in one, and it only took him ninety years of practice to do it! LESLIE LEVY had her birthday on Thanksgiving; CHARLIE FENDER celebrated his birthday number eighty; DAVID NINOMIYA will have a birthday on the 19th. MIKE WINTER was almost recognized, but said he'll see us next week.

## Happy \$\$\$:

DAN SANDERS survived a bike accident and now has a dueling scar; DAVE BROWN was happy to be back from a long trip; JEFF NATHANSON was happy to be back, thanked JOE GREEN for filling in as scribe and was happy that the Richmond Art Center's Holiday Arts Festival was a success; DAVE ALMEIDA was sad to have missed the auction, but happy for the race finish; DAVE BROWN suggested that good practice for future racing would be to try driving in Israel. DONNA URIYU had \$100 for all her recent absences.

## Program:

JIM SHATTOCK, playing the part of the proud father, introduced SHERYL LYNN SHATTOCK RENK, principal clarinetist of the San Francisco Ballet Orchestra. Sheryl is currently playing with SF Symphony while on a year leave of absence from the Ballet. During his introduction, Jim informed us that Sheryl always showed musical talent from an early age - she could sing the Star Spangled Banner at age two! Sheryl decided she wanted to play the clarinet when she was very young because it "looked like licorice".

Sheryl told us a lot about what it is like to play in an orchestra while playing excerpts from many different composers to illustrate the history and range of the instrument. She explained that most orchestras have 2-4 "staff" clarinetists and that free lance musicians are hired to fill in as needed. Many symphony orchestras in America have been in trouble in recent years and the San Diego Symphony, where she worked previously, was forced to declare bankruptcy. Most orchestras are non-profit organizations and depend on grants, donations and fundraisers as well as ticket sales. She went on to describe cultural institutions such as symphonies, ballets, museums and the like as being at the heart of a city's cultural identity. An important addition to this is the value music and art classes have in the schools. It has been proven that the arts help academic achievement in many substantial ways.

It was fascinating to hear Sheryl describe the construction, mechanics and history of the clarinet. It is a relatively new instrument to the orchestra and the first concerto for the instrument was written in the mid 1700s. She then went on to play wonderful examples from many composers including Mozart, Brahms, Prokofiev and Gershwin. Her playing, like her verbal presentations, was sensitive, elegant and articulate.

## Raffle:

JONATHAN LAWLIS and DON MILLER were the winners.

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