

Rotations

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President Larry Duson rang the bell at 12:18. Bill Eames made him do it. I think he was hungry. Larry wished everyone a Happy New Year and reminded the club that he only has six months left as president.

Visiting Rotarians: Gene Vogal, original Concord Club; Don Dierkus, Orinda. Prospective Members: Lee Deily and Chuck Vogel, prospective members, were introduced by their sponsors Sandi Mitchell and Bob Shusta. Lee is a reverse mortgages consultant for the Mortgage Center of America, Walnut Creek. Chuck Vogel does technical marketing of products for the Eddy Company located in Lafayette. Their seven-day notices went out to club members January 9th.



Larry welcomed Dick Holt back, let Dick know we were happy to see him, and fined him \$10 for missing a couple of meetings. Dick Holt announced he was happy to be back, and donated \$100 towards a member's Paul Harris.

John Sherry said our annual Interclub Meeting will be on Feb 6 at the Veterans Memorial Building. Register before Jan 19 for the April District Conference and receive a 15% discount on the registration fee. There will be a Texas Hold-em Tournament on May 17 with 14 other clubs participating. More information will follow. Dinner and Gambling!

Jay Lifson announced that Larry Blodgett will be honored at the annual Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year dinner on Friday, Jan 25, at the Lafayette Park Hotel & Spa. Our President Larry Duson will also be honored as the incoming Chamber President. Tickets are on sale now at the Chamber office. Jay also passed around a sign up sheet for volunteers to distribute Emergency Preparedness Continuity Plans to local businesses Thursday, Jan 17. The volunteers will also distribute a new parking guide for Employees and Employers in the downtown area.



Bob Shusta asked the club for volunteers to sign up to take notes at the upcoming meetings.

Ron Wake announced the upcoming Rotary Ski Challenge on February 29 at Alpine Meadow.

Jay was fined \$10 for placing a peace sign on the Rotary Bell. Ron Wake won \$2 in the raffle and our caterer Rex won \$5.



SPEAKER: John Wintersteen of the Marine Corps League, Mt. Diablo Detachment No. 942, explained Project Marine Care, a program he started in April 2004 after learning of the death of local Marine Lance Corporal Kyle Crowley, killed in action in Iraq on April 6, 2004. Project Marine Care collects and ships care packages to all service members in Iraq and other places around the globe wherever our troops are deployed. Volunteers fill the boxes with items such as beef jerky, tuna fish, socks, baby wipes, coffee, candy, peanuts, BBQ sauce and reading material. Over 3,100 boxes have been sent to the troops. It lets them know that the folks back home care about them. It takes about 8 days for the care packages to reach the troops. Requests for the boxes come from all

over and any soldier can get one. The single biggest way people can help is to donate money to cover the postage to get the boxes to Oakland or New York to be shipped out. John has had the privilege of visiting some of the kids who get the boxes. John told us that his father was the president of a Rotary Club in Pennsylvania. He said his dad was his idol. The club passed the hat and was able to raise \$350 for John to take back with him. For more info, see www.mcl942.org/pmc/.

MAKE UP MEETINGS IN THE AREA

www.rotary5160.org/clubs/meetings.php

MON 12 pm Danville, Brass Door **TUES** 7 am Walnut Creek Sunrise, Scott's Seafood - 12:15 pm Moraga, Soda Center – 12 pm Walnut Creek, Heather Farms Garden Center Bldg **WED** 12 pm Rossmoor, Hillside Clubhouse - 12:15 pm Alamo, Round Hill Golf - 12:15 pm Orinda, Community Center **FRI** 7 am Lamorinda, Postino - 12:15 pm Concord, Concord Hilton

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

DATE	SPEAKERS	TOPIC
January 17	Amy Worth	Transportation
January 24	Mark Sherry	Operations at SFO. Controller's Union, NATCA.
January 31	Michael Muir	Access Adventure / Muir family history
February 6, <u>Wed</u>	Interclub Meeting	at Veterans Memorial Building, Lafayette
February 14	Rich Lang	Underwater photography

LOCAL ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
February 29	Rotary Ski Challenge, Alpine Meadows
March 22	Spring Egg Scramble
April 19	Wine Tour
April 24-26	Rotary Districts 5160 & 922 Conference, Radisson Hotel Sacramento, CA
July 12	Presidents & Officers Installation Dinner

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
March 31	2 nd Early registration deadline for RI Convention, Los Angeles, CA, www.rotary.org
April 26	RI Work Day
June 15 -18	RI Convention, Los Angeles, CA
June 21-24, 2009	RI Convention, Seoul, S. Korea

BIRTHDAYS

Jack Clarkson	01/01
Joe Capozzi	01/16
Bud Moulthrop	01/20

ANNIVERSARIES

GREETERS

Steve Snyder	01/17
Greg Vaisnor	01/24
Charlie Vitale	01/31
Ron Wake	02/14

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2007-08 RI Theme

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