

Rotations

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Sandi Mitchell ran the meeting for President Larry Duson. We had sound problems. What's new? Visiting Rotarians: Clive Harden, founding member and past present from Kent, England, visiting his daughter and family, exchanged club flags with us and sent greetings from his President Richard Radcliff. Dr. Ron Light from the Concord Club. Because he is such a regular at our club, he was given a blue badge by our club. Ron talked about the opening of Yankee Pier Restaurant. Ron is a partner/owner of Yankee Pier. Charlie Eryelhart from Orinda. Guests: Terri McDonald; John Armen, Certified Business Coach, Empower Business Coaching.



Sandi reminded everyone of the Soroptimists Crab Feed on Sunday, Feb 24 at Oakwood. For information and tickets call 890-1167 or visit www.soroptimist24-680.com/upcomingevents.htm.

Mike Henn announced the Easter Egg Hunt on March 22 at the Plaza Park. Meet at Bank of the West at 9:30 am.

Jay announced that Steve Ware is presenting his "Expose Yourself" speech at the Lamorinda Sunrise Club on Friday, Jan 25. Our members are welcome and Steve is buying breakfast.

Mike Heller announced the Business Person of the Year on Friday, Jan 25, to honor Larry Blodgett as the Business Person of the Year and Larry Duson who will be the incoming Chamber President. Jay Lifson explained that the event is basically sold out, but see him if you would like to attend.

John Sherry reminded the club about the Interclub Meeting on Feb 6 at the Veterans Memorial Building -- no meeting on Feb 7. The Wheelchair Foundation is having a Black Tie Optional Fundraising Gala on Feb 9. There is another Interclub meeting with Pleasant Hill on Mar 27. The District Conference in Sacramento is April 24.



Finemaster A.J. Nisen collected Happy Dollars and fines: Budd Moulthrop \$25 for his birthday. Joe Capozzi for his birthday (I think he has immunity). Jack Hansen for his birthday. AJ Nisen put in \$5.00 for Steve Falk who got beat up at a business issues meeting earlier in the morning. Steve Falk gave \$10 and asked Mike Kearney to match. He says that his family went on a vacation to Maui and Mike was stalking him. Mike was on the plane there, at the same condo and on the plane back! He also gave \$10 and had Mike Heller match because he bought a car for his son from Mike. John Sherry sold 2 dogs for \$2,500 each, and gave \$5.00 per pup.

Guests Clive Harden won \$2 in the raffle and Terri McDonald won \$5.



SPEAKER: Mark Sherry, Air Traffic Controller at San Francisco International Airport and active member of the National Air Traffic Controller's Union. SFO opened in 1927. He works in the tower which oversees all flights within 7 miles and altitude of 2,000 or below. He explained in detail how the entire system works. He explained who owns the airspace and how you get the pilots attention. He says screaming does help at times. The power of your voice is your best tool. He mentioned that there is a big shortage of Air Traffic Controllers. Many were hired during the strike during the Reagan era and they are all reaching retirement. It takes up to 5 years to train for the job.

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 31	Michael Muir	Access Adventure / Muir family history
February 6, <u>Wed</u>	Interclub Meeting	At the Veterans Memorial Building, Lafayette
February 14	Rich Lang	Underwater photography
February 21	Wendy Reynolds (Buckley)	Drunk driving; inspirational speaker

LOCAL ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
February 3	Super Bowl Party, 3:00 pm, at Bill Eames'
February 27	New Rotary Club, Hungry Hunter Restaurant, 5:30 -6:30 pm
February 29	Rotary Ski Challenge, Alpine Meadows
March 22	Spring Egg Scramble, Plaza Park, 10 am, meet at Bank of the West at 9:30 am
March 27	Interclub meeting with the Pleasant Hill Club
April 19	Wine Tour of Livermore Valley
April 24-26	Rotary Districts 5160 & 922 Conference, Radisson Hotel Sacramento, CA

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

Lee Deily	01/31
Lee Deily	02/14
Charlie Vitale	02/21
Ron Wake	02/28

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AVOIDABLE BLINDNESS PROGRAM



2007-08 RI Theme

The Rotary Club of Lafayette will donate \$1000 to an Avoidable Blindness Program, an international project for eye surgery, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Calcutta New Alipore, Kolkata, India. For an ophthalmologist with proper equipment, it is a routine surgical procedure to replace a cataract-involved lens with a new intra-ocular lens. Often, the patient not only can see again, but often has high quality of vision. While this procedure costs \$3,000 - \$6,000 in the US, volunteer ophthalmologists do it for less than \$21. This program will allow more people to see the world they live in, see their families, and work again and become economically independent.