

Rotations

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Jay Lifson opened the meeting, standing in for President Larry Duson. Visiting Rotarian Paul Fillinger, president of Lamorinda Sunrise, gave us a Thought for the Day.

Visiting Rotarians: Paul Fillinger, Lamorinda Sunrise; Pate Thomson, Berkeley. Pate is the Asst. District Governor Elect of District 5160. Guests: Leah Bullen, financial planner, Wachovia Bank, Lafayette -- she is planning to join our club!



John Sherry invited members to the board meeting on June 3 at Bank of the West. If you have anything for the agenda, let him know him.

Terry Camp told us that Jessica Pallares, our Rotary-sponsored exchange student, will be taking a 10-day tour of the Western US and then returning to Spain.

Dick Holt said the Concert at the Res was the most successful yet and he thanked all who participated.



SPEAKERS: Mike Henn introduced our speakers from Habitat for Humanity. Todd Vedock is executive director of the East Bay chapter, www.habitatlab.org, and Bob Frick is a former Vice Chairman of the World Division of Bank of America. Habitat for Humanity's mission is to create successful homeownership opportunities for families with limited incomes by building sustainable housing and revitalizing neighborhoods. Todd told us the organization was started by Millard and Linda Fuller of Americus, GA. H/H has helped over one million partner families become homeowners. The East Bay chapter has completed over 200 homes since it started in 1978. Volunteers are the foundation of the group. Volunteers do construction, serve on committees, work in the office and do outreach. The partner families are able to buy 2-5 bedroom homes at cost with a 30 year no interest loan. The policy is 'green building.' It's not more expensive and it promotes a healthier environment. Partner families must meet three important criteria: ability to pay, willingness to partner, and currently living in 'unacceptable conditions'.

Bob Frick, a former Vice Chairman of the World Division of Bank of America, is 'Cycling for Habitat' to raise awareness and funds. A 500 mile ride on 7 July 2007 in Minnesota had 140 riders, the participation of 40 volunteers and raised \$340,000. Bob is going to make a national ride himself from San Diego to St. Augustine, FL, a distance of 3,300 miles, from 1 August to 30 September. He hopes to celebrate his 71st birthday and raise \$71,000. Corporate sponsorships are available and can be researched and made at www.firstgiving.com/cycleofhope. Visit Bob's website at www.crazyguyonabike.com; email kesrobfrick@comcast.net.



On June 11, our newest member Geoff Zimmerman will be devoting a day helping Habitat for Humanity with the construction of a new home project in Daly City.



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 – 5:30 pm Diablo View, 1515 Restaurant, 1515 No Main, WC **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
June 5	Michael Gallagher	Opportunity International
June 12	Tuong Truong	Boys & Girl's Club of Diablo Valley
June 19	TBD	TBD
June 26	Jamie Kearne	Innovative Gift Idea, www.bgcdv.org

LOCAL ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
June 29	Debunking Party for Larry Duson, Postino's, 5:00 pm
July 12	Presidents and Officers Installation Dinner, Fairfield
August 23	Rotary Foundation Seminar, Hilton Garden Inn, Fairfield

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT
June 15 -18	RI Convention, Los Angeles, CA

BIRTHDAYS

Larry Blodgett	06/02
Jason Wong	06/03
Ray Bland	06/13
Bill Eames	06/18
Bob Shusta	06/18

ANNIVERSARIES

AC Webb	06/09
John Sherry	06/10
Tom Henry	06/20
Ray Bland	06/26

GREETERS

Polly Bernson	06/05
Geoff Zimmerman	06/12
Geoff Zimmerman	06/19
Daniel Baker	06/26

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ROTARIANS RISE TO ROTARY'S \$100 MILLION CHALLENGE TO END POLIO



Two Chicago-area health care providers joined the Rotary Club of Elgin, IL in helping to meet Rotary's US\$100 Million Challenge. The Elgin club raised \$40,000, and Provena Saint Joseph Hospital and Sherman Health each contributed \$5,000. Elgin club president Michael McKay presented a check for \$50,000 to RI President Wilfrid Wilkinson in March. RI is matching the joint contribution at 50 cents on the dollar for a total of \$75,000.

In April, Arch C. Klumph Society inductee Rajashree Birla committed \$1 million to Rotary's Challenge for polio eradication.

Rotary has launched a website at www.rotary.org/endpolio to give the public an opportunity to help end polio by contributing to Rotary's \$100 Million Challenge from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Funds will go to The Rotary

Foundation in support of polio eradication, helping Rotary fulfill its pledge to match the \$100 million challenge grant received from the Gates Foundation in Nov 2007. Rotarians should contribute through the Member Access Portal at www.rotary.org, but are encouraged to spread the word about the new website within their communities. As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high. By donating now, you can help.