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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: THE LAST TWO

weeks flew by and here we are in February and spring is in the air. Our program January 26 featured Bob Shusta with some stories about his work as a police captain with the Concord Police Department, catching criminals. helping the Berkeley Police Department at Peoples Park and helping with the design and building of the new Concord Police Department Headquarters. Bob gave us a vivid description of a set up and capture of a man who had been robbing supermarkets, using disguises and perimeter surveillance to capture him. He was involved in two shootings resulting in several years of counseling, and even today when describing those incidents, causes him anxiety. Very few officers have to discharge a gun during their career and two such incidents is very unusual. I believe I remember Bob standing on Adeline Street in Berkeley with his helmet and baton while we were marching against the War in Vietnam. Luckily we all survived those times and are friends today!!!!

February 1st was the Interclub Meeting in Rossmoor hosted by the Lamorinda Sunrise Club. Our featured speaker was Jean Irwin, a former Ambassadorial Scholar, 1989, from the Reno Nevada school district. She has spent a lifetime teaching deaf children to read and has developed a system that is used in her school district. Apparently it is harder to teach

TODAY'S SPEAKER:
BILL HOLLINGSHEAD
POLIO ERADICATION CHAIR

deaf children to read because they can not hear the sounds or the words, therefore they cannot connect the sounds to form words. It is easier to teach blind people to read because they can hear the sounds. As a result of her studies she found that most deaf children do not become proficient in language skills and are below average in all areas of job skills with fewer achieving economic success because of it. M. HELLER

The SUPER BOWL PARTY at the home of Bill Eames was SUPER February 5th with a large crowd and a great time had by all. Thank you Bill for being such a great host.

The Rotary Club of Tahoe City is sponsoring the 30th annual Ski Challenge at Alpine Meadows March 3. Registration begins at 8:15 and the race start is at 9:45. Captain Ron Wake is looking for a few good skiers to represent our club; a minimum team is five (5) Rotarian racers! Registration is \$40.00 which includes Lift tickets, Racing Bibs, Coffee and Danish, Hors d'oevers, and the Award Ceremony.

THE RUSSIANS ARE COMING!!!!!!!!!!1 April 27 to May 14

Russian Bakers Program

The Rotary Clubs of Lafayette, Lamorinda and Walnut Creek will be hosting our 10th delegation of Russian Bakers from **April 27 to May 14, 2006**. A 17 day delegation instead of 3 weeks as in the past and will not include the Rotary Club of Clayton Valley – Concord Sunrise. Our club will need three home hosts from late Thursday night, April 27 to Saturday afternoon, May 6 when they move to Walnut Creek.

Important Dates to Calendar:

- Wednesday, April 19 Home Hosts Orientation
- Thursday, April 27 Delegates Arrive
- Saturday, April 29 Welcome Reception @ Tim McKinley's
- Saturday, May 6 Fort Ross & Home Hosts Change
- Saturday, May 13 Farewell Party @ Adrian Mendes's
- Sunday, May 14 Delegates Depart

Information for you about NAOMI:

Mission Team for 2006

Dates: June 24 to July 1

Team Leader: Peter Young

Projects: Finish work on Moms staff residence

Construction of campground type bath house

Native American Outreach Ministries Inc. was established in 1993 and is a non-denominational, Christian Ministry. NAOMI ministers primarily to Native American children and their families. NAOMI's main thrust of ministry is to provide a loving home which provides refuge for Navajo, Apache and Hopi children who have been abused and/or neglected.

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Make Up Meeting locations in the area, **MON.** 12:15 Danville-Brass Door
TUES. 12:15 Moraga, Soda Center, **WED.** 12:00 Rossmoor Hillside Clubhouse
WED. 12:15 Orinda-community center, **FRI.** 7AM Lamorinda-Postino's

SCHEDULED GREETERS:

FEBRUARY 9	RAY BLAND: INSURANCE—LIFE
FEBRUARY 16	LARRY BLODGETT: FLOOR COVERINGS
FEBRUARY 23	MILT BRUZZONE: SENIOR ACTIVE

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES WEDDING & CLUB

Judy	Francis	2/2/2003
Tim	McKinley	2/3/2003
AC	Webb	2/6/2003
Barry	Toomajian	2/12/2003

Charles Vitale 2/11/2003