

Rotations

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President's Message: Tomorrow

is the first day of spring nature is bursting out everywhere and in less than two weeks another baseball season starts. Isn't it wonderful to live not just in the bay area, but in the Lamorinda area? Last week, we inducted our latest member, Judy Francis (who is out of town today). With the

able assistance of our President Elect/Membership Director Ron Wake, and Honorary President/Sponsor Ed Stokes, we presented Judy with her 4-way test plaque (Tom Courtright suggested Judy hang it above her bed), her RI pin, and RED badge. Today, we will repeat this satisfying process as we welcome into our club, Mr. Dan Baker.

Also, last week our special guest was the club's 1980/81 President, Tom Henry. Tom delighted members by contrasting stories about the financial and real estate markets from his Presidential year of 80/81, and today. It seems there is hope for everyone if we live long enough. Tom pointed out that the Dow was 1000 in his Presidential year and is now (despite three down years) still above 8000. The home he purchased in the same timeframe has appreciated more than 400%.

TODAYS SPEAKER:
Jack Roddy

Today, we are honored to have as our special guest a real life "cowboy," Jack Roddy. Many of our members enjoyed Jack when he hosted Ed Stokes 80th birthday golf tournament. He resides in the middle of 2400 beautiful acres of ranch land and has spent most of his life as a rancher. He still rides, ropes, and eats ranch style. His favorite "boy toy" is a little golf course called Roddy Ranch. It is one of the finest courses in Northern California and if you are playing this extraordinary golf course and spot a tall gentleman wearing faded jeans, a cowboy hat, and boots, while gripping a "big bertha" like a rattlesnake, be careful, he's the owner.

The Russians have returned and today it is our honor to receive them with open arms and offer them a bountiful feast. The Rotary Clubs of Lamorinda Sunrise, Walnut Creek, and Clayton Valley-Concord Sunrise are hosting the 8th delegation of Russian Bakery owners and managers. The Facilitator is Ms. Zina Generalova and the interpreter is Ms. Irina Dyatlovskaya. There are eleven bakery owners, two of which will be hosted by Mike and Joan Heller.



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Fire Truck Update. Friday, the \$11,500 in matching grant funds from Rotary International arrived. Now, the Village of Guadalupe must apply to their government for permission for the truck to be donated to them. The Red Cross has been approached to see if they can assist us in getting the truck into Mexico. As soon as the proper authorization is received, the fire truck will be moved to the border at San Diego where those who want to participate will proceed to the Village of Guadalupe for a ceremony.

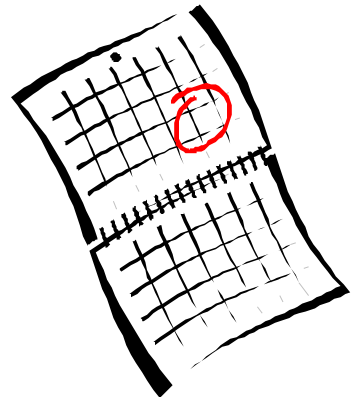
Upcoming Programs and Events:

04/24 Krazy Golf Klassic (Bill McCabe)

04/24-27 District Conference @ Fairfield Hilton (All board members, new members, and incoming officers must attend)

04/28 Lamorinda Rotary Club's 1st Paul Harris Cup Golf Challenge @ Contra Costa Country Club (Charlie Vitale)

05/31 Rotary's Annual Concert at the Res



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SCHEDULED GREETERS:

MARCH 20 BARRY TOOMAJIAN: REAL ESTATE – MANAGEMENT
MARCH 27 DALE TURNER: ARCHITECT
APRIL 3 GREG VAISNOR: CPA TAXATION

Birthdays

Bill Mc Cabe March 4th

Alan Mac March 15th

**Anniversaries
Wedding & Club**

Caesar Perales March 3rd

