

# Rotations

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: WE WERE**

very fortunate to have two speakers from the Contra Costa Chapter of the American Cancer Society, Kristin Hunter and Diane Piazza, discussing this dreaded disease. The unique part of the program was how the speakers brought the subject so much home by talking and having knowledge of cancer patients in our club. A good portion of the talk was about support groups, and how it is so important when someone is first diagnosed with cancer that they have the chance to talk with someone who has been through their type of treatment, and who has gone through the psychological shock of being told they have cancer. It is hard for someone, once they are told they have the condition, to maintain an attitude of *I can win!* or *I'll beat this disease!* although statistics show many types of cancer, with the will of the patient and modern medicine, are either curable or a disease one can live with for many years in the future. Our club is especially grateful for all the help Stacey Spell has given us, and it was with great joy that we honored Stacey with a standing ovation and a gift in her name to the American Cancer Society.

## **TODAYS SPEAKER:**

# **BRAD MUCK**

**ON**

## **WINE APPRECIATION**

The Concert is over and history; great music, weather, pretty good turn-out. Ed Searby again did a fantastic job with the stage erection and tear-down and being in overall charge...and all the Rotarians who did the "heavy lifting" (including Jay's son-in-law) in that back-breaking effort, a well done. And Jay's future son-in-law (and maybe a future Rotarian?) worked his butt off. Maybe he just was trying to impress Jay? And a thousand thanks to Tom C. who provided himself, his crew, and his truck. Tom was there big time on all day on Friday, all day on Saturday, and Sunday morning until the take down was completed and all the pallets were stacked at Stanley with his guys and his truck. I really don't think we could have loaded, erected, taken down, and un-loaded without Tom and his crew. And, of course, the Heller clan and Jay who set up and manned the food concession. The food and drink thing seemed to run like a well-catered restaurant. Maybe Heller should consider changing businesses. A well-done to the Hellers and to Jay and to all who wroked the food booth. And thanks to Paul Griessel and his son. Paul's wife was in the hospital and we truly appreciate Paul wanting to contribuit to Rotary during a difficult time. Thanks, Paul. And Judy Francis was simply fantastic. She set up and managed the raffle; she handled the money, and she helped take down after the concert. What effort. What a woman! And there was our able President (no, not Searby, Bill Eames) there at Stanley on Friday to help load pallets, there at the Reservoir Friday PM, and there at Stanley Saturday AM. Alas, he bailed the concert to go on a safari, but at least we had use of his able efforts and leadership for a time. Mr. President; we hope you bagged your wild game. And Tim Mckinley...the hardest working attorney (oxymoron?) in our club. He worked his ass off...he's too old to work that hard, but maybe he's younger than he looks. Anyway, thanks Tim for ALL your contributions. Polly Bernson donated her expertise and material and whipped together the program the last day. Polly ate her costs. Thank you so much, Polly. The concert would've gone on for sure, but without you, there would've been no programs. And John Sherry for driving, manning the gate, and just about everything there was to do, he did it. And John Baker for manning the gate, and schmoozing the attendees, and Peggy for doing anything asked of her. A big thank you to Tom Henry who gets the prize for selling most of the raffle tix; and Bud Moulthrop for helping wherever he could, and Doug Johnson for his erection efforts. And a big thank you to all who donated raffle prizes...some were even won by Rotarians. And finally for the very generous contribution of the food and drink from Ed Stokes. As we all know, Ed is extremely generous and helps us turn a profit with his donated food. And if I've forgotten anyone, please forgive me. I went home Sunday and made myself a huge vodka tonic in

a gallon jar...and I still haven't recovered. Everybody who showed up did something that made the Concert successful, and all of you who contributed in whatever way should be proud of those contributions. We're not "Bill Graham Presents", but we're a volunteer service club. Somehow, it all comes together. You helped produce an event that is appreciated by the community and raises a lot of money for the Club. Dick Holt

### **SCHEDULED SPEAKERS:**

- May 26;** Brad Muck, Wine Appreciation (with samples)
- June 2;** John Gilcrest, History of the Kaiser Foundation
- June 9;** Mark Heptig, Rossmoor golf pro to get us ready for the tourney
- June 16;** Jay Tomtz, retired professor, economist
- June 23;** no meeting: Bill Eames debunking party this week
- June 30;** Bill Harlan, A Pioneer Family and the Donner Disaster

### **UPCOMING MEETING DATES & PLACES FOR LAFAYETTE ROTARY**

**May 26 Oakwood Athletic Club**

**June 2 Oakwood Athletic Club**

**June 9 Postino**

**June 16 Postino**

**June 23 NO MEETING**

**June 25 (Sat) Debunking Party**

*(Hooray! We're throwing Bill Eames out!*

*Let's take a vote if we want him to show up.)*

Tim McKinley will be in place of Ed Searby, president-elect

### **MEALS ON WHEELS SCHEDULE**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DRIVER</b>	<b>SHOTGUN</b>
May 27	Bob Shusta	Bud Moulthrop

**Rotary Club of Lafayette**  
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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:**

<b>MAY 26</b>	<b>PEGGY HARBARTH: SENIOR ACTIVE</b>
<b>JUNE 2</b>	<b>MIKE HELLER: AUTO SALES MANAGER</b>
<b>JUNE 9</b>	<b>MIKE HENN: CITY PLANNING</b>

**BIRTHDAYS**

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Jay Lifson	5/1/2003
Chris Lane	5/21/2003
Peggy Harbarth	5/28/2003

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**WEDDING & CLUB**

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Ed Searby	5/8/2003
Ron Wake	5/16/2003

