

Rotations

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President's Message: This Is My

final newsletter as your President, and I must say I can not believe my year is over! It has been an honor and a thrill to represent you and lead you with our Board of Directors and hopefully help the club grow with new ideas and programs. All that being said, I believe none of what we accomplished could have happened without everyone in the club doing what they could, with the time they had this year. For those of you who can not make my last meeting, I thought I would take the time here to thank a few of those special members who come to mind as I write my last few paragraphs!! First and most important has been my V.P., A. C. Webb, our President Elect who has given me his time and great business sense and vision. I have to say he will be the best President we will have to date! Laura O'Donaghue our Treasurer has done a fantastic job every week, and also got our billing system up to speed. Paul Parkhurst our Secretary got us online, and helped with Club Mate our software system Rotary RI uses. Mike Henn, Alan Mac, and Bill McCabe did all they could to help in their avenues of service. Larry Blodgett gave us a whole year of great programs and what a great job he did! He also participated in many of our projects all year. I do not know how he finds the time

TODAYS SPEAKER :
President Michael

Last Meeting As President

"Job well done!"

with all he does for our city to spend any time with Karen and the kids! Charlie Vitale was our Past President on the Board and also selected our books all year for our speakers gifts. He sure gets creative with his titles! Bob Ewen filled in as our Foundation Chair. Dick Holt along with A.C. did a fantastic job on the Concert at the Res and got everybody doing something. New members Larry Duson, Sandi Mitchell, Dan Hoffman, Mike Kearny, and Tim McKinley participated in a variety of events. Larry ended up chairing the car raffle and used his banking skills along with his wife Paulette to balance the books. Through that we even discovered some super salespeople such as Alan Mac with his wife Lisa, Bob Shusta, Larry, Tom Courtright, Mike Kearny, A.C. Webb, Bud Multhrop and of course Bob Aguilar our "Hot Ticket" seller. Sandi Mitchell chaired our farewell party for our Russian Bakers. Bill McCabe filled in as home host chair and became a host himself along with Bob Shusta, Doug Johnson, the Hellers, and a friend of ours in the Chamber, Matt Geiser and his partner Rex! Great Job. Dan Hoffman introduced us to the need to support his canine project and helped out with the Egg Scramble along with Chris Lane, his sponsor. Tom Courtright and Bill Eames completed our dictionary project. Our senior members were fantastic, they were there every week doing what they could to help us out; Peggy as our raffle chair and Bob helping to set up the meeting and run our Meals on Wheels project. In spite of a job change Mike Henn helped us with the Concert, and did the Highway Clean-up. Doug Johnson got our newsletter out each and every week and got our web site going. This is a mammoth job and he should be thanked by all of us for his fine work! I could go on and on about every one in our club so I will say thank you to everyone for being a part of my year as your President! Oh, and Ray Bland my Rotary sponsor not only chaired the Art and Wine booth, but also did the debunking party. Finally, they say to all who live, there are beginnings and there are ends, **this is the end!**

Rotarian Guests:

Gene Gottfried - Physician - Orinda
David Cesio - Energy - Moraga

Guests of Rotarians:

The Blodgett Family!!!!

Our Greeter was scheduled to be Bob Aguilar but he did not show although he did donate a gift certificate from Baskin Robins which the Blodgett Family won! His friend Bill Eames filled in for him and commenced with a blessing to the club for having put up with a such a radical President, and a prayer for our future President!



I passed around a page of pictures from the Chamber of Commerce Newsletter with Polly Bernson posing as the Mixer host, along with Larry Duson and Dan Hoffman, which I forgot to collect on. It seems that this year I forgot to collect a few times but that's O.K. I guess.

Dan Hoffman said he will be picking up the "dog" the weekend of June 22 and he will be bringing him to our meeting on June 27th.

Bob Underwood is in need of help delivering food to seniors with Meals on Wheels. If you have a couple of hours on any Friday please contact Bob and get on his schedule for the coming year.

Mel Nielson had a birthday June 19th and the club sent him a gift basket from the Nut Factory. Mel is living with his wife at Diablo Lodge on Diablo Road in Danville. If you can find the time you might drop in and visit. He would like to hear from his old friends!

The Fire Engine project picked up a little steam with a few members volunteering to donate to complete the project. Rotary International turned down our request so the project may not be completed. A final decision will be made June 27th.

Our Speaker was **OTIS PAUL**, not Paul Fisher who was announced in the bulletin! Dr. Otis Paul is a Pediatric Ophthalmologist and a member of the San Francisco Club #2. He spoke about his work in the field pediatric eye medicine and showed us slides about his travels all over the world. His mission is to train other physicians and help create the technical support in the countries he visits. He has been to Zimbabwe, Namibia, Nicaragua, Vietnam, Armenia and Lithuania and he has just completed his 20th trip with three more already scheduled! His club along with many volunteers pay there own way to travel to these countries not only to teach and assist but to bring with them thousands of dollars of equipment and supplies that would otherwise not be available to complete the mission. He leads Rotovision International and he is an example of service above self!

Barry Toomajian won a free lunch again!!! He deserves it!

Calendar of Upcoming Events!

July 1st. A.C. Webb is your new president!

July 15 -21. Rotary week at Eagle Lake with Bob Aguilar. Contact him at 283-7379 for reservations. He promised great fishing with a pro, and a wonderful time for all!!!

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SCHEDULED GREETERS:

JUNE 27

JOHN BAILEY - SENIOR ACTIVE

JULY 11

TIM MC KINLEY - ATTORNEY

Birthdays

June 2	Larry Blodgett
June 4	Tom Cogburn
June 11	Roy Swedin
June 13	T. Ray Bland
June 14	Jerry Jensen
June 15	Bill Eames
June 18	Bob Shusta
June 19	Mel Nielsen

Anniversaries Wedding & Club

June 6	Aaron Pingree
June 9	A.C. Webb
June 21	Roy Swedin
June 26	T. Ray Bland