

# Rotations

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### August 9, 2007 Meeting Minutes:



President Larry Duson opened the meeting at 12:35.

#### VISITORS

Ed Stokes brought two guests.

Michael Heller brought four guests, including his Grandson Tony, Granddaughter Amanda, Mary Ellen from Moraga and Stan Smalley, District Governor from San Ramon.

#### Announcements and Rotary Information:

- President Duson introduced members that had not attended for awhile.
- Jack Henson introduced 2 guests.
- Mike Heller reminded us about the remaining weeks of "Rock the Plaza" nights in the park. Volunteers are still needed to fill in some of the dates - remember to wear your Rotary shirts.
- Polly Bernson reminded us of the Sept 24 Golf Tournament. Please remember to invite all your friends.



- Tara Murray received her blue badge from Larry Blodgett. Tara thanked everyone and said she was excited to be a part of this club.
- AJ Nisen, Fine Master, collected fines, including from himself for not being prepared. Larry Blodgett contributed \$20 for his anniversary, Mike Heller donated for Amanda and Tony's birthdays and Sandi Mitchell contributed for her vacation.

#### Speaker: Stan Smalley, District Governor

Our noted speaker was a nine-time Paul Harris Rotary Foundation Beneficiary. He is a graduate of Iowa State University, has been married for 44 years, with 3 daughters and 6 grand-children. Stan spoke about the PETS conference.



This group is attended by people who support the foundation. People like Tom Courtright, Bill Eames and Ed Stokes do it every year.

On October 6<sup>th</sup>, at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, the District Conference 5160 Foundation Day will be held. There was a brochure on the tables that gave more details.

The 2007-2008 Rotary District 5160 Conference will be held at the Radisson Hotel Sacramento.

Six nations will be coming together from clubs that are 25-44 years old. If you sign up before December 31<sup>st</sup>, you will get a 25% discount. The event will be held April 24-26, 2008.

Stan focused on several things as District Governor.

1. What are the visions he wants to see happen? He wants 3700 Rotarians to try one new thing. He believes it will lead to service that is unbelievable. Each club should try one new thing.
2. The current Rotary International President's #1 concern is that the North American continent is on a downslide. If we are not able to turn it around, in a few decades, there may be no more Rotary Club.
3. He congratulated us for having new young members.
4. Stan would also like to get another club chartered. In Discovery Bay, they are forming an evening club. This process is a very long one.
5. He is asking every club to participate in at least one foundation project. Ideally, every Rotarian is to give to the Rotary Foundation.
6. 10% of the Club or District would give to the Paul Harris Foundation. Ideally, this amount will be up to \$200 per member. In fact, when the Foundation was established in 1957, it was based on \$1000. The \$200 goal per member would be at least 3 years down the road.
7. For everyone that donates to the Polio shots program, he will match funds.
8. The prosthetic hand was designed by a Pleasant Hill Rotarian. This hand is so cost-effective and important that of \$85,000 was donated the first year and that money bought 1200 hands.
9. Next June, in Los Angeles, there will be an international convention. Stan highly encourages everyone to attend.
10. The Group Study Exchange program is to foster leadership - we are all leaders of one kind or another in Rotary.

Stan ended his talk with the following quote:

*"We all live under the same sky, but we don't have the same horizons."*

- Mike Heller's grandson drew the lucky numbers for the raffle. Bob Ewen won \$2.00 and Ed Stokes won \$5.00.

Notes from August 9th meeting by Anna Connolly.

Photos by Ron Wake.

Respectfully submitted:

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Mortgage Planner

Diversified Capital Funding





**Make Up Meetings 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



**Rotary Int'l Calendar Of Events**

<i>DATES</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
Apr 26, 2008	RI Work Day
June 15-18, 2008	RI Convention, LA, CA
Apr 25, 2009	RI International Work Day
June 21-24, 2009	RI Convention, Seoul, S. Korea
July 20-23, 2010	RI Convention, Montreal, Canada

**Local Rotary Calendar Of Events**

<i>DATES</i>	<i>EVENT</i>
August 17, 24	Rock The Plaza – Downtown Lafayette
Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28	Jazz in the Plaza
Oct 6, 2007	DG Stan Smalley's Foundation Fun Day
Mar 6-9, 2008	PETS, San Jose, CA
July 12, 2008	Presidents & Officers Installation Dinner

**Upcoming Speakers**

<i>SPEAKERS</i>	<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>DATE</i>
B. Shusta/D. Barnes (coordinators)	tbd	September
Dr. Frank Tom	Superintendent, Lafayette Schools	Oct 4
David Mosby	Author of <u>The Paradox of Excellence</u>	Oct 11
Terry Koehne	At-risk children /San Ramon Schools	Oct 18
Michael Hubbard	New Chief of Police in Lafayette	Oct 25
Daniel Barnes (coordinator)	tbd	November
Larry Blodgett (coordinator)	tbd	December

## Special Celebrations

### BIRTHDAY

Tara Murray	8/12
Mike Henn	8/26

### ANNIVERSARIES: WEDDING/CLUB

Larry Blodgett	8/7
Barry Toomajian	8/8
Alan Mac	8/14
Bob Stokes	8/14
Troy Winkles	8/17
Jason Wong	8/18
Jay Lifson	8/19
Bob Shusta	8/20

## SCHEDULED GREETERS:

**August 16** Clint Pruett  
**August 22** Terry Camp  
**August 29** Terry Camp  
**Sept. 6** Mary Claire Searby  
**Sept. 13** Mary Claire Searby

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