

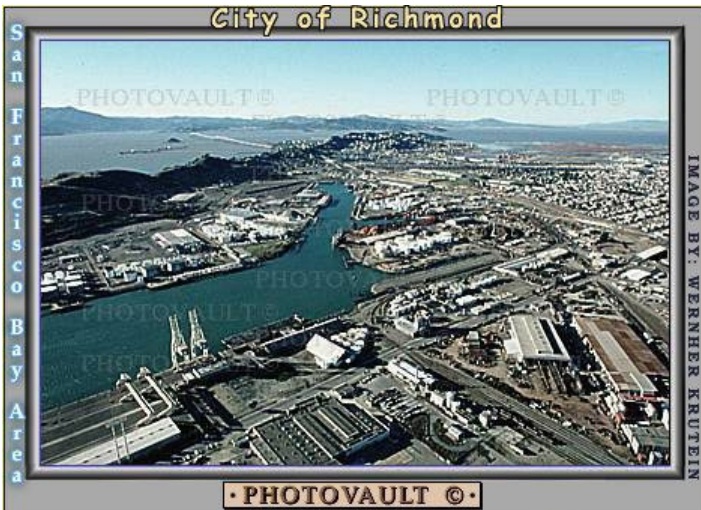
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"Service
Above
Self"

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Program for Friday March 11, 2005

"Boats, Trains, Cars & ???"



Last Week

Prez Herb Cole greets another drizzly winter day with a ringing welcome. **Former Prez Stoney** led us in a silent prayer for world peace and freedom, **Mike Winter** led us in the pledge of allegiance, and **George Eagan** finds wisdom in his golf magazine with this cartoon quote: "I hate golf. I hate golf. I hate golf. Nice shot. I love golf."

Visiting Rotarians

None today

Rotarians with Guests

Jan Brown introduced web-designer **Nick Despota** as her guest. **Joe Bagley** introduced his lovely **Rita** (from the Chicago suburb of Cicero). And **Prez Herb** introduced his lovely **Normie**. A warm welcome to all.

Sunshine Report

David K gathered Rotarian get-well wishes for **Bill Reid** (recovering from heart surgery) and **Mike Winters** (recovering from hip surgery). The good news is that a nearly-spry Mike Winters was present and happy to save David the postage! Our best wishes to both Bill and Mike for good healing.

Announcements

Paul Washington is Rotary's new Spirit of Excellence coach/supporter at Peres School. With student letters in hand, Paul is looking for Rotarians willing to give professional responses to young people wondering about careers ahead.

Presentation

Rich Brandes, generous auction donor of the trip to Ireland, had a care package for **Dan Tanita**, the generous winning bidder of this extravaganza—complete with driving instructions and Gaelic dictionary.

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

David Brown had dollars of relief that his son walked away from a truck-runs-over-and-demolishes-motorcycle incident. **Josh Genser** and family saw Christo's Gates in NYC where a snowstorm made it a Winter Wonderland. The **Erle Browns** are back from

Jim Matzorkis, Executive Director of the Port of Richmond talks about what's next.

Door Duty: Mark Howe and John Wilson

Program for Friday March 18, 2005

"Tsunami Relief to Community Outreach"

Salvation Army, Major George Rocheleau
Alameda County Coordinator for the Salvation Army.

Door Duty: Gloria Johnston and Henry Kelman

Program of Friday March 4, 2005

"Chicago, Chicago, ittzah one-er-full TOWNNN!"



In keeping with Rotary's Centennial celebration, Program Chair **Jim Young** introduced our own born-in-Chicago **Joe Bagley** who looked like the star of the *Blues Brothers*. Best supporting actress Rita was ready with picture props as we were treated to the Joey Bags version of Chicago history mixed with advice on where to go when Rotarians visit this summer of 05. Mr. tough guy kept everyone in their seats as we learned facts and trivia on politics, baseball, architects, gangsters, inventions, the Great Fire, and the last horse-drawn fire engine driven by Joey Bag's Grandpa. San Francisco played a role in Chicago history (aside from being Rotary's first club expansion) when the notorious Al Capone landed in Alcatraz for tax evasion. And some of us remember the turbulent Democratic National Convention disruptions of 68 when Mayor Richard Daley said, "The police isn't there to create disorder. The police is there to preserve disorder."



The current Mayor Daley is apparently a new generation, and the beauty of the City is a constant you can count on. Home to the finest in dining, shopping, art, history, and jazz, Joe had plenty of suggestions for must-see spots of culture and entertainment. Thank You Joey!



a great trip to Mexico. Erle claims no knowledge of a missing wallet or sunglasses. **Dan Ercolini** and household is plenty happy to have a scholar attending UC Riverside next fall. **Prez-Elect-Elect Dan** along with **Past Prez Stoney** and **Prez-Elect Jonathan Lawlis** all had happy dollars for Rotarian participation in the Read-Across-America day at Peres School. **Dan Tanita** is happily reminded of having joined the club 21 years ago when Don Lau did too. **Dan** (Richmond Rotary's own Russian ambassador) also announced that today marks the last day of the Russian Dental Delegation visit. He thanked **Judy Morgan** for providing much-needed meeting space at the Chamber offices and **Jim Young** whose bank is sponsoring tonight's farewell and closure dinner for the remarkable stay. **Prez Herb Cole** happily announces that grandparent-sitting duties will take him and Normie to Virginia where his son gets the foot cast removed just in time for a trip to Hawaii. **Prez-elect Jonathon Lawlis** will be at PETS next week so either **Past President Stoney** or **President-Elect Nominee Dan Erolini** will grace the podium for next Friday's meeting!

Raffle

George Eagan's financial planning got an unplanned boost this week, when he pulled the orange ball to win half of the \$559 raffle posting. Congratulations George!

Time Flies Wheel (from Don H's archives): **Twenty years ago this week . . .** *Mr. Wes Seapy described how his paint business of 20 years started manufacturing plastic paint paddles that led to custom plastic moldings and his present company ... Harbor Plastics.*

Respectfully submitted,

Jan B. Nimble



Richmond Rotary meets every Friday 12:30 at the beautiful Mira Vista Golf and Country Club

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Where to Make Up

San Rafael	Mon	12:15	Seafood Peddler
Albany	Tue	12:30	Solano Grill
El Sobrante	Tue	12:15	Elks Club
Berkeley	Wed	12:15	His Lordships
Hercules	Wed	7:15 am	Hercules Senior Center
San Pablo	Wed	12:15	La Strada
El Cerrito	Thu	12:15	Mira Vista G&CC
Pinole	Thu	12:30	Outback Steak House
Vallejo	Thu	12:15	World Holiday Inn

Upcoming Programs

03/18/05 "Tsunami Relief to Community Outreach, Today's Salvation Army"
 04/29/05 "School Lunch & Tour (don't forget your lunch money)", our own Gloria Johnston & friends hosts the club for an authentic school lunch and tour of the Lavonya DeJean Middle School. Meet at the school library at Noon. More details to follow.

Important Dates

03/17/05 Board Meeting – 12 noon at the Country Club
 04/30/05 District Conference – Yin Ranch
 06/18/05 – 06/ 22/05 = Rotary Centennial International Convention in Chicago

Door Duty Reminder

03/18/05	Johnston Gloria	Kelman Joe
03/25/05	Jones Pam	Kelman Henry
04/01/05	Kafka Judy	Sid Chauvin
04/08/05	Abreu Ted	Young James
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