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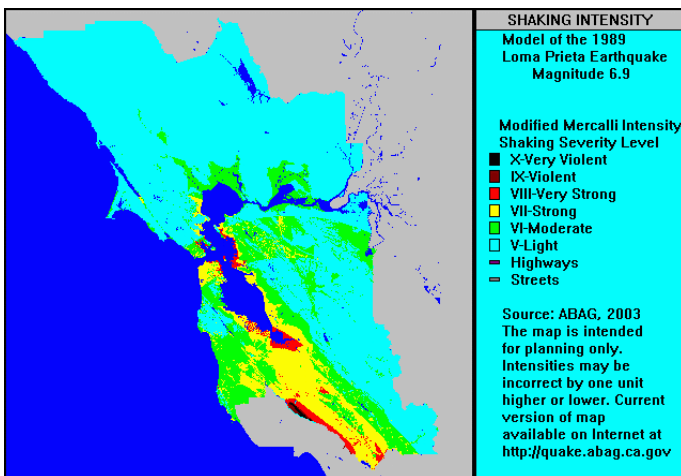
"Service Above Self"

A Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Richmond, California

Program for Friday March 25, 2005

Earthquake Safety Homeowner Options Beyond Insurance

Greg Prinsze, President of Earthquake Safety Inc. will speak to us



Door Duty: Pam Jones and Henry Kelman

Program for Friday April 1, 2005

"First Impressions"



New Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay may answer C. W. Nevius' question on his accepting the City Manager's Job; "Are you crazy"

Door Duty: Judy Kafka and Sid Chauvin

Last Week

In Prez Herb's absence, **Prez-Elect Jonathon Lawlis** takes charge. **Former Prez Stoney** led us in a silent prayer for world peace that has become a reflective tradition since his presidency, and **Mark Howe** led us in the pledge of allegiance. And with the insight of a Rotarian, **Prez-Elect Jon** offered his ham and egg breakfast metaphor for volunteerism: The chicken was involved. The ham was committed.

Rotary Moment

President-Elect Jon then reflected on Polio Plus, one reason that he is proud to be a Rotarian. 20 Years - 200 Countries - 20 Million Volunteers - 2 Billion Children Immunized! After showing off his 2005/2006 theme pin "Service Above Self", a fine was levied on all Rotarians not wearing their pins!

Visiting Rotarians

Richmond Rotary welcomed **Mark Scott**, President-Elect of the El Cerrito Club and rookie Pres-Elect Jon forgot to mention our speaker Major George Rocheleau from the Oakland #3 club.

Rotarians with Guests

Christine Flegstein and **Barbara Gordon** were **George Egan's** guests and **Werner** finally brought his first wife, Lea.

Sunshine Report

David K informed Rotarians that **Joe Nusbaum's** wife, **Anne**, suffered a hard fall and is recovering at home. Our thoughts and best wishes are with the Nusbaum family. Meanwhile **Bill Reid's** recovery from heart surgery is apparently complete as we learn he is sipping wine in Paris!

Announcements

April 30th is the District Fund Raiser, Centennial Foundation Family Fun Day at Yin Ranch in Vacaville. Response to George Egan's direct mail appeal is at 50% so far. Each coupon booklet is worth \$100. Checks should be written to Rotary Foundation and will apply to a Paul Harris of your choice. Many thanks to those who have already contributed and 1 those who have purchased two coupon booklets.

Program of Friday March 18, 2005

Major George Rocheleau



Program Chair, Jim Young, introduced today's speaker, Major George Rocheleau Alameda County Coordinator for the Salvation Army (and a member of Oakland's Rotary Club 3). Major Rocheleau also brought the power point assistance of his business administrator and committed Army foot soldier, Shelton Yee. Noting the recent distinction of having been named in a recent marketing study as one of the world's top ten enduring institutions (along with the Olympic Games and the American Constitution), the Salvation Army also has the reputation of being among the last organizations to leave a crisis. Major Rocheleau shared poignant photos of the Tsunami devastation and the Salvation Army's plans to set up long term relief efforts that will eventually rebuild the fishing fleets that were once at the heart of the stricken community's former economy.

At the local end of positive change, Major Rocheleau excitedly shared plans for a proposed 12 acre Ray and Joan Kroc (of MacDonald fame) Community Center near Hagenberger Road in Oakland. Adding to Major Rocheleau's story was *Past Prez Stoney's own knowledge of MacDonalddlore : It seems Ray Kroc sold his first milkshake machines to the McDonalds brothers before buying their business.. He was also known to buy pies at Christmas time to give to the Salvation Army bell ringers.* The Kroc estate gifted \$1.5 billion to the Salvation Army to build massive community centers across the country modeled after the one completed in San Diego in 2002. Oakland's Salvation Army has joined with the City of Oakland to solicit for this potential site. (Are you still reading this? If so please email or tell Jim Young for our informal flywheel survey).

Recognitions

Judy Morgan celebrates another birthday this month and **Henry Kelman's** 20th Anniversary is around the corner. Happy Birthday Judy and Congratulations to Henry and Kathleen! **George Egan** and **David Brown** were recognized for 7 and 11 years in the club respectively. And with a touch of class, Prez-Elect Jonathan honored their years of service with contributions to the Rotarians Against Malaria Fund.

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

With a \$5 bill, **Werner Schwartz** announced he was giving up strange women for Lent and wondered what Father Nick (**Nicholas Reina**) was giving up. "Obviously \$5" was Father Nick's quick reply. And the nondenominational coffers grew. **Jim Young** is pleased to contribute to his youngest son's Paul Harris. **Don Lau's** mother turned 84 in Hawaii - a great place to celebrate. **Jonathan Lawlis** is pleased his dad is visiting from Maine and his son just completed his last class before graduation from UC Santa Cruz. Jon's relief may have taken a hit when one Rotarian noted that his daughter has just completed 10 years of post graduate study and now plans to go to law school!

Raffle

As if Ray and Joan Kroc were watching, Stoney won a free lunch. And the raffle carries forward at \$126.



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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Thank you Major Rocheleau for your fascinating presentation. Richmond is pleased and as Rhonda Harris said, "envious" of the Community Center's potential for Oakland and the East Bay community.

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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

04/01/05 Richmond City Manager Bill Lindsay
 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

04/30/05 District Family Fun Day - Fund Raiser at the Yin Ranch in Vacaville
 06/18/05 – 06/ 22/05- Rotary Centennial International Convention in Chicago

Door Duty Reminder

03/25/05	Jones Pam	Kelman Henry
04/01/05	Kafka Judy	Sid Chauvin
04/08/05	Abreu Ted	Young James
04/15/05	Alexander Richard	Wong Charlie
04/22/05	Allen Paul	Winter Mike
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05/27/05	Bell Donna	Tanita Dan
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06/10/05	Brandes Rich	Stonework Stoney
06/17/05	Brown David	Smith Ted
06/24/05	Brown Erle	

