



Flywheel



SERVICE Above Self

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A Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Richmond, California

Program for Friday January 6, 2006

“Boy Scouts of America in the 21st Century”



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

Door Duty

1/13
Dan Tanita
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1/20
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Jim Beaver

1/27
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Jim Bates

2/3
Bart Wallace
Joe Bagley

2/10
George Alvarez

2/17
John Wilson
Paul Allen

2/24
Mike Winter
Rich Alexander

Where to Make Up

Mon 12:15 Seafood
Peddler, San Rafael

Tue 12:30 Solano Grill
Albany

Tue 12:15 Elks Club
El Sobrante

Wed 12:15 His Lordships
Berkeley

Wed 7:15am Hercules
Senior Center, Hercules

Wed 12:15 La Strada
San Pablo

Thu 12:15 Mira Vista
G&CC, El Cerrito

Thu 12:30 Outback Steak
House, Pinole

Thu 12:15 World Holiday
Inn, Vallejo

Meeting of January 6, 2006

It's a new year! **Prez Jonathon Lawlis** welcomed a full house of Rotarians to the first meeting of 2006. **John Troughton** led us in the pledge of allegiance followed by **Stoney's** prayer for peace, freedom and justice in the world. Picking the right inspiration is as good as being it's originator, and **Prez Lawlis** hit the mark with Ben Franklin's wise words: "Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man."

Rotarians With Guests

Werner Schwartz introduced **Luz Gomez** from Contra Costa County; **John Troughton** introduced his son, **Chance**; **E.J. Shalaby** introduced **Michelle Blackwell** from EBMUD; **John Nicol** introduced longtime family friend, **Cheryl Granzella**; And **Bill Wahbeh**, a member of our club for 18 years, surprised us with a visit. Welcome to all!

Sunshine Report

Two fellow Rotarians suffered the passing of a sibling over the holidays. **Herb Cole** lost a brother and **Josh Genser** lost a sister. Our condolences to the Cole and Genser families.

Announcements

John Nicol announced the great train ride adventure leaves the Emeryville station at 8am January 22. It's a full train, but there's room for a couple more to squeeze on

Reno Train Schedule

Departure	1/22/06	Return	1/23/06
Emeryville	8:00 am	Reno	2:15 pm
Richmond	8:15 am	Sacramento	7:15 pm
Martinez	8:50 am	Suisun	8:25 pm
Suisun	9:15 am	Martinez	8:40 pm
Sacramento	10:20 am	Richmond	9:10 pm
Reno	3:30 pm	Emeryville	9:40 pm

Prez Lawlis proudly displayed the latest issue of the Richmond Post with a featured headline for our own **Rhonda Harris** and her heart-warming gift baskets to pregnant teen moms in our community. Congratulations on the recognition, Rhonda, and thanks for being where it's needed in Rotary's behalf.

Recognitions

Jim Beaver recognized . . . **Jim Beaver**. And slyly managed to avoid the birthday jingle. Happy Birthday Jim! Besides Rhonda, Jim also caught other people in the

Upcoming Programs

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Raffle

Margaret Morkowski pulls a FREE lunch ticket.



Important Dates

1/19/2006

Board Meeting at
Richmond CC 12 noon

1/22 & 1/23

The 64th Annual Reno
Train Trip**

4/01

90th District 5160
Birthday Bash!

** Richmond Rotary did
#63 by bus.

Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

news and fined them nicely. **Cory Lawrence** was in the Contra Costa Market Place. So, too, was **John Troughton**, who paid well for being cited as an expert in matters of Real Estate by the Business Week Magazine. **Norm Lundberg** finds it hard to be a generous man these days, but fortunately honest folks retrieved the sacred bottle of Muscatel after the Christmas auction. Another \$20 bought it yet another time, and surely Norm is ready to drink the vintage wine!

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

Herb Cole had 2 sad occasions 1) the tragic loss of his brother and 2) the last 19 minutes of the USC Texas game. **Jim Young** is happy that his daughter is on her way to NY for an acting career. **Erle Brown** is happy 1) to find he has a preference for Texas over USC and 2) his daughter announced her engagement over the holidays! **Josh Genser** was sad for the passing of his sister and grateful for those who asked "how can I help?" **Charlie Fender** gleefully announced Cal's position in the PAC 10 as the basketball season starts up. **John Troughton** is happy for **Cory Lawrence** and his rapid promotion within company ranks. And this month, **Don Hardison** celebrates 60 years in the club! Sponsored by Fred Breen back in 1946, Don compares Rotary *then* and Rotary *now* with some pretty stark comparisons. Today's Rotarians are more diverse, more involved, and better humored. Don recalls that when he joined Rotary, the club had 152 members. Today our numbers are beginning to grow again. Thank you Don for 60 years of service to Rotary and to the community. **Prez Lawlis** announces that he and **Herb Cole** will go to Mexico to distribute wheel chairs.

Program

Jim Young introduced today's speaker, **Tom Waller**, whose 9 years as a commissioned Naval officer on a Naval submarine was the basis for a fascinating insight of what it's like at periscope depth and deeper.



Birthdays

- 1/01** Pam Jones
- 1/06** Jim Beaver
- 1/06** Loren Straughn
- 1/21** David Brown
- 1/22** George Egan
- 1/24** John Nicol

Anniversaries

- 1/07** Jazzy and Sappinder Singh

Club Anniversaries

- 1/14** Troy Grove
34 Years
- 1/25** Don Hardisson
60 Years!!!!!!
- 1/31** Joe Kelman
14 Years

Archived versions of the Flywheel can be seen at

<http://www.richmondclarotary.org/newletter/archive>

Get To Know Our New Members!

Monique Le Conge
Classification
Libraries

Margaret Morkowski
Classification
Waste Management

Margaret Hanlon-Gradie
Classification
Consulting-Political

Lance Jackson
Classification
Engineering- Electrical

Don Joseph
Classification
Banking-Branch
Management

Jazzy Singh
Classification
Banking – Account
Executive

Nick Despota
Classification
Graphics-Web Design

EJ Shalaby
Classification
Wastewater
Management

Glenn Daggs
Classification
Security Management

Gary Bell
Classification
Finances-Mortgages

Cory Lawrence
Classification
Real Estate-Commercial

Tom compared Naval vessels starting with the hefty aircraft carriers weighing 91,000 tons to the midrange vessels like the Poseidon (on which he served) at 8,200 tons. Tom's ship was an SSBN with the 'B' standing for ballistic —referencing the huge missiles it was prepared to deliver if the United States should come under attack. Staying in constant communication with the mainland, and remaining undetected was the primary goal. Tom recalled , on his watch, a near -encounter with a Russian sub that sped by beneath his ship. It seems that in the depths of the ocean, the waters seem bluer elsewhere, since Tom envied and admired the design, speed and maneuverability of the smaller nuclear SSN (a fast attack ship); it could pop up through ice caps and make fascinating scientific explorations. Patrols of 3 months on and 3 months off made life pretty even keel, while stories of Admiral Rickover entertained the troops. Tom had his own story to tell about meeting the Admiral. Thank you, Tom, for shedding light on service to country at a depth few of us have ever known.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan B. Nimble

New Member Proposals

Pam Jones has proposed **Barbara Medwadowski** of Draper and Esquin in Point Richmond for membership with the classification of Winemaker for membership

Werner Schwarz has proposed **Luz Gomez** (John Gioia's right hand) for membership with the classification of County Government.

If you have any objections to these proposals please respond to Secretary Joe Nusbaum by January 24, 2006

Rotary Milestones

1905 First Rotary club organized in Chicago, Illinois,
1908 Second club formed in San Francisco, California
1910 First Rotary convention held in Chicago
1912 The Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, becomes the first club outside the United States to be officially chartered. (The club was formed in 1910.)
1917 Endowment fund, forerunner of The Rotary Foundation, established
1932 4-Way Test formulated by Chicago Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor
1945 Forty-nine Rotarians help draft United Nations Charter in San Francisco
1947 Rotary founder Paul Harris dies; first 18 Rotary Foundation scholarships granted
1962 First Interact club formed in Melbourne, Florida, USA
1965 Rotary Foundation launches Matching Grants and GSE Program
1978 RI's largest convention, with 39,834 registrants, held in Tokyo
1985 Rotary announces PolioPlus program to immunize all the children of the world against polio
1989 Council on Legislation opens Rotary membership to women worldwide; Rotary clubs chartered in Budapest, Hungary, and Warsaw, Poland, for first time in almost 50 years
1990 Rotary Club of Moscow chartered first club in Soviet Union
1990-91 Preserve Planet Earth program inspires some 2,000 Rotary-sponsored environmental projects
1994 Western Hemisphere declared polio-free
1999 Rotary Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution established
2000 Western Pacific declared polio-free
2001 30,000th Rotary club chartered
2002 Europe declared polio-free; first class of 70 Rotary Peace Scholars begin study
2003 Rotarians raise more