

Flywheel



SERVICE Above Self

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Program for Friday March 24, 2006

Gayla DiMaggio



KAISER PERMANENTE

Kaiser Permanente, Born in Richmond and Thriving 60 years later"

Door Duty: Jan Brown and Dan Sanders

Program for Friday March 31, 2006

Captain Frank Desplancke



Tentative

Door Duty: Tom Butt and

Meeting of March 3, 2006

Jon Lawlis opened today's Saint Patrick's Day meeting. Jon marked this Saint Patties day with a moment of silence for a fine Irishman and Richmond Rotarian **Dan Ready**. **Paul Allen** then led us in the Pledge. Our thought for the day was again delivered by **George Egan** who said: "duty is what you want others to do" After an appropriate joke, Prez Jon "pinched" all those not wearing green for a buck.

Visiting Rotarians

Don Jenkins from the Orinda Club was with us today.

Rotarians With Guests

Barbara Medwadowski brought her husband Gary Gephardt to the club for the lunch show. This famous duo is responsible for the fine wines sold under the "Draper & Esquin" label, which are rumored to now be available at Richmond Costco. They also campaign a somewhat heavy



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*Richmond Rotary
meets every Friday
12:15 at the
beautiful Mira
Vista Golf and
Country Club*

Door Duty

3/24
Jan Brown
Dan Sanders

3/31
Tom Butt

4/7
Thomas Cameron
Troy Pewitt

4/14
Jim Cannon

4/21
Sid Chauvin
Joe Kelman

4/28
Herb Cole
Markku Pelanne

5/5
Hank Covell
Joe Nusbaum

5/12
Bob Dabney
David Ninomiya

5/19
George Egan
John Nicol

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

racing yacht called "Infinity" which is regularly trounced by the yacht "White Fang" owned by another infamous Richmond Rotarian who will remain. **Markku** introduced his lovely bride Mary.

Sunshine Report

David K was back at work today and had prepared a card for David Calfee – the member whose femur broke --- painful. We all signed it and I suspect it is just arriving today.

Announcements

Prez John reminded the members of the 90th Birthday Party for District 5160 to be held on Treasure Island April 2nd. **See Prez Joey Bags to sign-up!!!!**

The **Board** whose activities often remain an enigma to the "regular members" today came clean. They have donated \$2,500 to the **Coronado YMCA** – a profoundly worthy organization



and another \$2,500 to the "**Richmond Seaman's Center**" which is run by the fun loving Richmond Rotarian "**Markku**". The \$2,500 will be used to buy a van that will be used to show visiting seaman that there is life outside of the Port.



Prez Jon presented the checks to **Don Lau and Markku Earl Brown** acting "Grand Pooba" of the Rotary Foundation awarded pins decorated with precious stones to two special Richmond Rotarians whose generosity to the foundation has been exemplary. And the names are: **Joe Nusbaum** received a 3 stone ruby pin for making \$4,000 in contributions,



Raffle



Hank Covell pulled out Bob Dabney's ticket and Bob produced the orange ball! He splits the \$130 pot with the club.

Rotary News

1 February 2006
The Global Polio Eradication Initiative announced today that Egypt and Niger are no longer polio endemic since the indigenous form of the virus that causes the disease has not circulated in either country for over 12 months.

This is the first time in three years that the number of polio-endemic countries has fallen, leaving Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan as the only countries that have never stopped indigenous polio transmission.

Important Dates

03/16

Board Meeting. Noon at the Richmond CC

4/02

90th District 5160 Birthday Bash at Treasure Island. See Prez Jon for Details

4/08

90th District 5160 Birthday Bash Northern edition on the train starting in McCloud. See Prez Jon for Details

6/11-6/14

Rotary International Convention in Malmo/Copenhagen

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.



and of course to no one's surprise big **Jon L.** received one of the "big ones" for a summation of donations to the foundation that where so generous, that Earl left out the amount, so as not to embarrass the mere mortals in the room.

Recognitions

Herb Cole's Birthday was recognized today – he said he is over 40 years old. **Henry Kelman** was noted for his 21st wedding anniversary. He said "I can't believe she has put up with me for this long" and boy did we know what he meant by that. **Joe Nusbaum** celebrated 32 years with Rotary. When asked if he wanted to say anything he curtly said "no!" It sounded funny and everyone laughed.

David Brown celebrated 12 years with the club by saying that is has been a "good ride". Does he mean on his Harley?

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

Don Lau started off with some happy dollars for Bob Dabney's gambling partner's (Don's mom) birthday. David K had ?? for the new sturgeon rules and **Mr. Sid** donated some spare cash to the club to let us know that his daughter was bringing home a young man to meet the parents. Anticipating some big news Sid says, "it's about time!" I don't want to be playing with my grandchildren in a wheelchair.

Don Jenkins, Foundation Chair for District 5160 spoke to us briefly about the upcoming Birthday Bash.



Birthdays

- 3/10** Donna Bell
- 3/19** Judy Morgan
- 3/22** Paul Hodgen
- 3/23** Don Hardison
- 3/23** Tom Butt

Anniversaries

- 3/16** Henry and Kathleen Kelman
- 3/17** Richard and Katherine Alexander
- 3/20** Thomas and Eldoris Cameron
- 3/24** EJ and Jeanine Shalaby

Club Anniversaries

- 3/11** George Egan
8 years
- 3/14** Troy Pewitt
3 Years
- 3/15** Joe Nusbaum
32 Years
- 3/16** David Brown
12 Years
- 3/24** Ren Partridge
22 Years
- 3/28** Dan Sanders
31 Years
- 3/29** Norm Lundberg
32 Years
- 3/31** Ted Smith
28 Years

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

Our New Members!

Gary Bell



Classification
Finances-Mortgages

Cory Lawrence



Classification
Real Estate-Commercial

Luz Gomez



Classification
County Government

**Barbara
Medwadowski**



Classification
Winemaker

Nabil "Bill" Wahbeh



Classification
Industrial Waste
Management

Program

CSI Pinole

Hank Covell introduced his friend "**Jason Alexander**" who is in real life a forensic investigator. His career started in the SF Police Dept where he learned his trade. He says there are no colleges that teach these skills. He says that people always ask if his work is really like what they see on CSI Miami. And he responds, "the show just demonstrates how imaginative Hollywood has become, other than the dead bodies, the work doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to what you see on the show". His talk then proceeds on to show a real life murder investigation.



The case he presented was about a double murder in Kansas of two army soldiers out on leave. The Judges Advocate Corp (JAG – again as shown on TV). hired Jason to investigate these murders to help in the prosecution of the defendant.

His job was to determine which of the surviving witness stories was closer to the truth based on the physical evidence. By showing multiple views of the dead bodies and analysis of all the details: the entry and exit wounds, the blood spatter (he reminded us that spatter is the correct word not splatter), and the location of the ejected shell casings he was able to conclusively determine which one of the witnesses stories was more consistent with the physical evidence.

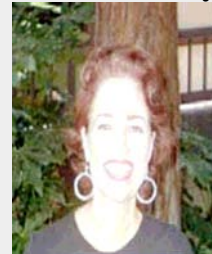
He also uses 3D computer animation programs to help explain, what is often a complicated chain of events, to the jury.

The defendant was convicted and is now serving a life sentence.

Rotating Flywheel Editor,
Mark Howe

Our New Members!

Catharine Hay



Classification
Mortgage-Lending

Frank Desplancke

Classification
Religion-Social Services

Rotary Programs Polio Plus

Rotarians have mobilized by the hundreds of thousands to insure that children are immunized against this crippling disease and that surveillance is strong, despite the poor infrastructure, extreme poverty and civil strife of many countries. Since the PolioPlus program's inception in 19985, more than 2 billion children have received oral polio vaccine. To date 210 countries, territories and areas around the world are polio-free. As of June 2005, Rotary has committed more than \$581 to global polio eradication.

Matching Grants

provide funds for international service projects of Rotary clubs and districts. Since 1965, 22000 Matching Grant projects in 166 countries have been funded at a cost of more than \$ 224 million.