



Flywheel



SERVICE Above Self

April 14, 2006

A Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Richmond, California

Program for Friday April 14, 2006

Mayor Irma Anderson



The Mayor gives us a “State of the City” Report

Door Duty: Jim Cannon and anyone else willing to help!

Program for Friday April 21, 2006



Vernon Whitmore, Publisher

Door Duty: Sid Chauvin and Joe Kelman



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

Door Duty

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

Meeting of April 7, 2006

Just like at Opening Day at baseball parks across America, **President Jon** opened the meeting to a packed house with standing room only. **Secretary Joe Nusbaum** opened with a Hebrew Prayer that blessed our meeting on this fine day. **Margaret Morkowski** led us in the Pledge and a very thoughtful **George Egan** gave us a thought about listening, but I wasn't so I missed it.

Visiting Rotarians

None today

Rotarians With Guests

Rhonda Harris had as her guest Lt. Ron Berry with Richmond PD. **Joey Bags** had as his guests Pat Coleman, Executive Director of NIAD and NIAD Board member Marsha Tomassi. **Ted Abreu's** guest was Richmond High School Principal Terri Ismael. **Richard Alexander's** guest was Brian Stern and **Judy Kafka** has as her guest Louise Williams. **Stoney** has as his guest his lovely wife Mary Ann. Finally, **Herb Cole** introduced John Z not knowing who would claim responsibility for him.

Sunshine Report

David K passed around a card for **Joanne Blum's** husband who is on the mend. There was also a card for our beloved past member **Father Chris** who is in San Francisco recovering from a series of strokes.

Announcements

Secretary Joe informed us that there is a new list in the badge box...so pay attention when getting and replacing your "stinkin' badges." **Pam Jones** had some flyers Hotel Mac event to support an international project involving a Madagascar clean water project. John Z made a pitch for support for Prop. 81 which would provide funding for a new Richmond Library. **Joey Bags** report on Christmas in April at NIAD thanking **Stoney** for lunch and everyone who showed up for their help and support. There is still some painting to do so contact **Joe** if you can help. Pat Coleman of NIAD thanked everyone for all that they did because she knows they cannot do it all by themselves. **Prez Jon** announced a donation of \$2,000 for a Rio Vista Mobile Clinic to assist with eye surgeries.

Upcoming Programs

4/14 Richmond Mayor
Irma Anderson
4/21 Vernon Whitmore
Publisher of the Globe
Newspapers
4/28 The 1906 SF
Earthquake. Ranger
Will Elder
5/5 Liliane Koziol –
Consul General of
Madagascar.

Raffle



Barbara Medwadowski got the chance to pick....and grabbed a white ball and a free lunch.

Rotary News

Carolyn Jones made history in 2005 when she became the first female trustee of [The Rotary Foundation](#). And as proud as she is of her appointment, she'd be the first to admit it wasn't a goal she set out to achieve. She simply worked hard at what she believes in and someone noticed. That someone happened to be then-RI President-elect [Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar](#).

Important Dates

4/08

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

04/20

Board Meeting. Noon
at the Richmond CC

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.



Rotary Theme Year 2006-2007

Recognitions

The Beav called on **Thomas Cameron** who celebrated an Anniversary with Eldoris. The check is in the mail. **Ren Partridge** offered a recognition for his wife Jeanne's birthday which was on 4/28. **Richard Alexander** offered \$100 for the Carl Reh fuss for his Anniversary with Katherine who he met at this Club.

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

David K did another lament of ever changing fishing laws. **Joey Bags** had happy dollars for his dad. **Bart Wallace** had a cool \$100 because he now has a real job with PG&E and has to actually work for a living. **Erle Brown** offered some dollars in support of David K's rants. **Judy Morgan** had some happy \$\$ in honor of Lt. Ron Berry who she considers one of Richmond's Heroes. **Jan Brown** shared that she had lost a friend, but was rejoiced that Pat Coleman is now a grandmother. **YOUR SCRIBE** offered some happy dollars because his 89 year old father won \$1000 in Vegas when he hit a Royal Flush on a quarter poker machine. **Herb Cole** offered up some funds because he got to hang around with a bunch of "old people" at his 50th reunion. **David Brown** was also happy that his son Aaron will be graduating! **Bill Wahbeh** was happy he will be in Israel and Palestine during Passover. **Beav** himself had a happy \$5 because he got to see **Troy** and **Bart**. And finally, **Prez Jon** was happy to celebrate his daughter's 17th birthday.

Program

Bob Dabney introduced our speaker new Chief of Police for the City of Richmond Charles Magnus. The Chief, who most recently was Chief in Fargo, ND, indicated that there are similarities in his approach that worked well in Fargo and he feels will work well in Richmond. So how does he feel he will be effective in Richmond? The key he feels in building relationships and addressing local concerns



Birthdays

- 4/2 Herb Cole
- 4/7 Father Nick
- 4/13 Jim Bates
- 4/14 Dan Tanita
- 4/16 Glenn Daggs
- 4/29 Nick Despota
- 4/30 George Alvarez

Anniversaries

- 4/7 Ralph and Audrey Hill
- 4/8 Barry and Traci Gordon
- 4/23 Jim and Sandra Bates
- 4/23 Don and Crystal Joseph

Club Anniversaries

- 4/6 **Hank Covell**
36 Years
- 4/9 Russ Schulze
3 Years
- 4/13 Jim Bates
4 Years
- 4/16 Elof Granbergom
45 Years
- 4/27 Sid Chauvin
2 Years

Archived versions of the Flywheel can be seen at

<http://www.richmondclarotary.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

about quality of life issues. It will require everyone working together and developing solid relationships. The 3 major issues he will address are: Service, Accountability, and Accessibility. Service—putting the right structure in place is the key to services.



The Chief will use a community involvement policing approach. His new structure will divide the city into 3 regions (North, Central and South). Officers will be expected to know their neighborhoods and have "geographic knowledge." Accountability—the Chief will put data to work using the Comstat system to be aware of where the problems are and then making sure plans are developed to address those problem areas. Accessibility—the department needs to do a better job of listening to the community. Officers need to be "knocking on doors" to see how the department is doing in the eyes of the community. Just because something has been a problem over the years... it is not OK to say there is nothing that can be done about it. It was an excellent presentation and thanks Chief Magnus for joining us and sharing your ideas.

Your Rotating Editor
The Menehune

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 1985, 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.