



# Flywheel



**SERVICE Above Self**

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## Program for Friday May 5, 2006

### Deputy Honorary Consul of Madagascar



**Liliane C. Koziol**

Dr. Liliane C. Koziol, Director of Programs at International House at the University of California, Berkeley earned a Ph.D. in English with specialization in theater, semiotics, and popular culture. She has extensive experience in the areas of education and interracial and cross-cultural understanding. As Director of Programs at International House and Vice Chair of UC Berkeley International Area Studies, she designs thematically linked multi-and-cross-disciplinary programs with comparative perspectives in collaboration with major units on campus. She also conducts intercultural and diversity training focusing on working in a multicultural environment and has worked intensively with a broad array of U.S. ethnic groups. She currently teaches in the Department of Linguistics/Center for African Studies at UC Berkeley. Born in Madagascar, she speaks French and Spanish, and has lived in the U.K. and Taiwan. She taught English and American Literature at the University of Madagascar where she was Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of English and Foreign Languages.

**Door Duty:** Hank Covell and Joe Nusbaum

## Program for Friday May 12, 2006

### 5160 DG Brian Thiessen



**DG Brian will honor the Gold and Silver Circle Members of our Club**

**Door Duty:** Bob Dabney and David Ninomiya



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

## Door Duty

5/12  
Bob Dabney  
David Ninomiya  
5/19  
George Egan  
John Nicol  
5/26  
Charlie Fender  
Margaret Morkowski  
6/2  
Judy Morgan  
6/9  
Josh Genser  
Bud Martin  
6/16  
Barry Gordon  
Norm Lundberg  
6/23  
Elof Granberg  
Leslie Levy  
6/30  
Monique Le Conge

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## 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 28, 2006

On a somewhat bewildering multi-climate day in beautiful Richmond **President Jon** opened the friendly Richmond Rotary Club meeting. **Markku Pelanne** blessed us all with a warm invocation. **Past Prez Ralph Hill** (wiping the cookie crumbs from his lips) led us in the Pledge. With **George Egan** off on a much needed tax evasion vacation **Prez Jon** gave us a thought from Paul Harris regarding world peace.

### Visiting Rotarians

Cathy Durfee, of the Walnut Creek Club, who works with **Jim Young** at Greater Bay Bank.

### Rotarians With Guests

**Judy Morgan** had as her guest the new (as of July 1, 2006) Superintendent of West Contra Costa Unified School Dr. Bruce Harter. We look forward to Bruce possibly joining our club in the near future.

### Sunshine Report

**David K** has two unhappy things to report. **Joe Bagley's** father passed away and Joe was back in the Midwest with family. **Russ Schulze** reported to Mr. Sunshine that **Norm Foley** was in "guarded" condition while in intensive care at UC Med Center in Davis. All prayers and good thoughts welcomed.

### Announcements

**Ralph Hill** announced that he had received Doreen's Cookies that he had purchased at the Holiday Auction and very generously shared them with the club. Thanks Ralph! **Hank Covell** had some flyers for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Pinole Rotary Golf Tournament at Diablo Creek Golf Course on 5/17. **Prez Jon** asked **Pam Jones** to "Tell the Club what we did last week." It must have been much better than she reported because both **Prez Jon** and **Pam** turned bright red at the thought. Pam did report on the "New Member Social" on who was there and who was not. There was a reference made to **Glenn Daggs** and his wife the first female SWAT Team member and Glenn's good sense in listening to his wife. There was also a report on a fundraiser at the UC International House with **Prez Jon** contributing some A's Tickets and also some talk of Rotary Scholars at UC coming to our club to do a program for more tickets. I think I got some of this straight ... if not oh well?!? **Margaret Morkowski** announced that there was a need for volunteers for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>. **Prez Jon** thanked the **Gensers** (thanks **Josh** and especially

## Upcoming Programs

5/5 **Liliane Koziol – Consul General of Madagascar.**

5/12 **DG Brian Thiessen – Silver and Gold Recognitions**

5/25 **Edmond Delmon of Makers Mark will educate us about whiskey!**

### Raffle



**Her Cole** (again!?) 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

**5/06**

Cinco de Mayo Parade Meet at 24<sup>th</sup> and Barret by 9:30 am

**5/17**

16<sup>th</sup> Annual Pinole Rotary Golf Tourney. Diablo Creek Golf Course. Cost -\$125 per player – call 510-724-4450 for more info

**5/18**

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.

Elaina) for opening up their home to our “new” Rotarians. A special thanks to new Rotarian **Margaret Morkowski** for her help in preparing for the party.



## Rotary Theme Year 2006-2007

### Recognitions

To a rousing roar of applause and cheering, **The Beav** did his best to raise some funds. Having no birthdays or anniversaries ...he of course had to improvise with ....

### Happy/Sad \$\$\$

**Tom Butt**, with a spring in his step, was first up to report that the City of Richmond was 3 for 3 for historical capital improvement funds for East Bay Center for the Performing Arts, the Plunge and for the Maritime Children's Center. **Margaret Morkowski** was happy that the Plunge will be reopening in May 2007. Gives us all time to get our swim suit bodies in shape. **Joe Nusbaum** was sad to report on former member Sid Baum's passing. **Nick Despota** (how did we miss him **Beav?**) had some happy ones for his birthday. **Bill Wahbeh** was happy to report he had a safe trip to Jerusalem. **Rhonda Harris** is confused about how to manage the Santa Fe meeting...but not to worry for she is off to Maui. **Dan Sander** offered an Mexican vacation story that he should really sell to American Express. **Herb Cole** offered up some funds to finish off his son's (?) Paul Harris. **Hank Covell** was very happy to report that after the meeting he would be off to make some very happy decisions on the Spencer Trust Scholarships for deserving local high school students. **Monique LeConge** reported on her field trip to the Seattle Library...just so she could see it and to report that her son will be off to Arizona State. **Erle Brown** was happy to not hear **David K** whine about his fishing issues. And finally, **Beav** being the classy guy he is offered some dollars in memory of **Joey Bag's** dad's passing with the hope that Joe's dad knew what a great son he had and what he has meant to our community.

Note to **Gary Bell**: Know where your hat is??? It's going to cost you!



### Birthdays

- 5/10 Mark Howe
- 5/20 Bill Wabeh
- 5/24 Troy Grove
- 5/25 Ralph Hill
- 5/28 Catharine Hay

### Anniversaries

- 5/2 John and Felicia Nicoll
- 5/7 David and Janet Kutchenth
- 5/17 Mark and Susan Howe
- 5/18 David and Cheryl Brown
- 5/19 David and Janet Ninomiya
- 5/21 Nick and Nel Despota
- 5/22 Leslie and Stephen
- 5/30 Herb and Norma Cole

### Club Anniversaries

- 5/3 David K  
22 Years
- 5/3 Stan Teaderman  
38 Years
- 5/6 Henry Kelman  
29 Years
- 5/18 Pam Jones  
11 Years
- 5/20 Charlie Wong  
46 Years
- 5/20 Margaret Morkowski  
1 Year
- 5/20 Monique le Conge  
1 Year
- 5/22 Markku Pleanne  
25 Years

## 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

**Jim Young** introduced our speaker for the day National Park Ranger Will Elder who gave us a presentation on "The Army and the 1906 Earthquake." Range Will had a power point presentation with many pictures and documents from the 1906 Earthquake. In 1905, San Francisco was in the mist of building a reputation of being the "Paris of the West Coast." All that changed at 5:18am on April 18, 1906. After the earthquake hit there was much confusion. Key players in emergency response roles included General Funston, who was only in charge because his boss was away, and SF Mayor Schmitz. There was no Marshall Law and the Mayor was in charge. It must have been a terrible time since all the BARS WERE CLOSED! Orders were given to shoot all looters. Armed soldiers roamed the streets keeping order until July of that year. Residents who were displaced by the earthquake where relocated in tent camp scattered throughout the city by their ethnicity. It was a very interesting and education presentation. Thanks Ranger Will!

Your Rotating Editor  
The Menehune



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

## 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.