



Flywheel



SERVICE Above Self

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Program for Friday June 2, 2006

Lawlis



At long last – The Day You’ve All Been Waiting For!!!

Door Duty: Judy Morgan and Tom Waller

Program for Friday June 9, 2006



Girl Scouts[®]

"The Other Half of Scouting"

San Francisco Bay Region girl scouts describe their program.

Door Duty: Josh Genser and Bud Martin



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

Door Duty

6/9
Josh Genser
Bud Martin
6/16
Barry Gordon
Norm Lundberg
6/23
Elof Granberg
Leslie Levy
6/30
Monique Le Conge
7/7
Abreu Ted
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7/14
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7/21
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7/28
Allen Paul
Wilson John
8/4
Alvarez George
Waller Tom
8/11
Bagley Joe
Wallace Bart
8/18
Bates Jim
Wabeh Bill

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 May 26th, 2006

Almost X-Prez **Jon Lawlis** opened the meeting asking **Charlie Fender** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Stoney Stonework** in abstentia led the group in a moment of silence for “all things good” in the world. Our long lost Prez-In-Waiting **George Egan** asked an important question about subpoenaing the phone company that I didn’t get.

Visiting Rotarians

None today.

Rotarians with Guests

Pam Jones introduced her guest Bill Terry. **John Nicol** introduced his guest Martino Gonzales, the owner of La Strada, the club’s other favorite hangout and the best Italian Restaurant in San Pablo.

Sunshine Report

David K didn’t have nothin’ to say so he didn’t even come.

Announcements.

Almost X-Prez Jon announced that the next Board of Director’s Meeting will be the 4th Thursday of June (06/22) because of the Rotary Convention in Copenhagen & Malmo.

Recognitions

- Dandy Don “**The Menehune**” **Lau** then began to work the crowd in preparation for our speaker and almost X-Prez **Jon Lawlis** announcement that **THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HIS DEMOTION!** Right out of the blocks the **Menehune** sang the praises of Rotarians who wear their pin and made a point of the high cost of not wearing it, which today was \$1.00 but could be more in the future.
- Dandy Don then called on **Nick Dispota** for a report on his anniversary celebration with 33 year bride Nel. Nick allowed how it was a passable night and attributed his 33 years of marital success to the sage advice of Social Philosopher and maven of mirth, Phyllis Diller, “Never go to bed angry, stay up and fight”. Congratulations Nick and Nel.
- Dandy Don then picked on **Ralph Hill** who admitted to having just celebrated being 85 years young, which he attributed to a little Maker’s Mark each day. Keep making your mark Ralph and Happy Birthday!
- The Menehune then mesmerized the multitude mentioning Monique le Conge and Margaret

Upcoming Programs

6/23 Road trip to the Red Oak Victory Ship

DG Thiessen Salutes

Long Time Rotarians

| Gold Circle | Years |
|--------------|-------|
| Don Hardison | 60 |
| Ralph Hill | 57 |
| Dave Calfee | 52 |
| Nick Petsas | 50 |

Silver Circle

| Years | |
|----------------|----|
| Charlie Wong | 45 |
| Elof Granberg | 44 |
| Warren Martin | 42 |
| Werner Schwarz | 42 |
| John Nicol | 41 |
| David Ninomiya | 41 |
| Ren Partridge | 40 |
| Charles Fender | 38 |
| Mike Winter | 38 |
| Norm Foley | 37 |
| Loren Straughn | 37 |
| Stan Teaderman | 37 |
| Henry Covell | 35 |
| Troy Grove | 33 |
| Joe Nusbaum | 31 |
| Norm Lundberg | 31 |
| Dan Sanders | 30 |
| Erle Brown | 29 |
| Henry Kelman | 28 |
| John Wilson | 27 |
| Ted Smith | 27 |
| Tom Butt | 25 |
| Markku Pelanne | 25 |

Raffle



With a small pot of Margaret was happy to take the one of a kind Makers Mark wax-dipped bottle for the first raffle prize today. Edmund pulled the ticket for the lucky David Brown who then pulled a white ball and got a free lunch.

Important Dates

6/11-6/14

Rotary International
Convention in
Malmo/Copenhagen

6/22

Board Meeting
12 noon – Richmond
Country Club

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.

Morkowski's mono-magnificata. No doubt the first of many mirthful memories of future Rotary years not yet gone by.

- Knowing the great risk in which he placed the meeting schedule, Dandy Don called on **Herb "Dollar-a-Word" Cole** to mention his 42 years of marital bliss with Normie. Time and space, limited as they are by our temporal reality, precludes a complete retelling of Herb's reply, but he did contribute \$100 in honor of his and Normie's anniversary, to begin their grand daughter Emily's Paul Harris.

Happy/Sad \$\$\$

- **David Brown**, proving again that he is not School Board Trustee (& nut) Dave Brown, waxed on about how he is soon to be the proud father of a college graduate.
- While David Brown was counting his cash flow before Aaron graduates, Monique le Conge was thinking about negative cash flow resulting from her two college ready 16 year olds. Monique did however toot son and designer-builder Josh's horn and most recent success in the Build-A-Bridge contest. "Best Overall" with a pop-sickle stick bridge that held 590 pounds.
- **Capt. Rich Alexander** is celebrating his "hard to believe" 39 years in the Navy and Naval Reserve.
- Last and almost X-Prez, **Jon Lawlis** is celebrating his son Nick's successful new full time employment with Comletric in Los Angeles.

Program

Almost X-Prez Jon was delighted that one of his favorite subjects, Bourbon whiskey, is the topic of today's speaker, so he introduced **Edmond Delmon**, the Northern California Representative for Maker's Mark Bourbon. Ed immediately made sure we all knew that bourbon and whiskey are different, bourbon by federal law must be 51% corn whiskey, otherwise it can not call itself bourbon.



The story of how bourbon was "discovered" in America is worth retelling here. In the 18th century when everybody and everything took more time, a whiskey seller/farmer was looking for a way to ship whiskey to a customer in New Orleans from Ol' Kentuck. He didn't want to use the



Birthdays

- 6/7 Joe Nusbaum
6/10 Markku Pelanne
6/13 Judy Kafka
6/18 Jan Brown
6/24 EJ Shalaby
6/26 Richard Alexander
6/28 Norm Foley

Anniversaries

- 6/5 Donna & Stan Adkins
6/5 Troy & Kimberly Pewitt
6/6 Paul & Chris Allen
6/7 Glenn & Melanie Daggs
6/14 Joanne & Arthur Blum
6/14 Don & Betty Hardison
6/15 Stan & Patricia Teaderman
6/19 Charlie & Jean Wong
6/27 Jan & Byron Brown

Club Anniversaries

- 6/3 Lance Jackson
Jazzy Singh
Don Joseph
1 Year
6/5 Dave Calfee
53 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

traditional crockery jugs because he knew they'd be broken on the long river trip down the Ohio & Mississippi. He found a nasty old fish barrel that looked real durable and tried "burning it out" to get rid of the fish smell. It worked. And, it also gave the barrel a nice charcoal interior, the value of which he didn't have any idea of yet. The long trip to New Orleans took all summer and when the barrel got to the docks, the buyer could not get to town to pick it up so it was warehoused. It got lost in the warehouse for three or four years. When it was finally rediscovered, the buyer was summoned to pick it up and pay the considerable warehousing fee. He opened the barrel to make sure the contents were still good corn liquor, but out came fine Kentucky Bourbon. Maker's Mark has been systematically repeating this "mistake" for over a hundred years.

For more information about Maker's Mark Bourbon go to <http://www.makersmark.com/AgeCheck.aspx?redir=%2fDefault.aspx>

Your Rotating Editor,
Jim Young

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Our New Members!

Catharine Hay



Classification
Mortgage-Lending

Frank Desplancke



Classification
Religion-Social Services

Liliane C. Koziol



Classification
Diplomatic Service

Tom Waller



Classification
Consultant-Business