



# Flywheel



**SERVICE Above Self**

June 23, 2006

*A Weekly Publication of the Rotary Club of Richmond, California*

## Program for Friday June 23, 2006

### **Road Trip !!**



Don Bastin, Director of the Richmond Museum of History

Don will be speaking on the recent opening of the SS RED OAK VICTORY Museum and the history of the Richmond Shipyards. Authentic shipboard cuisine will be served, and profits will go to the ship restoration effort.

Boarding Fee: \$20

**Door Duty:** Elof Granberg and Leslie Levy

## Program for Friday June 30, 2006



**Ms. Gisella Hernandez, public relations officer for WCcHD discusses the current condition of the District**

**Door Duty:** Monique le Conge and



**Richmond Rotary  
Board of Directors  
2005-2006**

#### **Officers**

##### **President**

Jonathon Lawlis

##### **President Elect**

George Egan

##### **Treasurer**

David Brown

##### **Secretary**

Joe Nusbaum

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John Nicol

#### **Directors**

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Josh Genser

Rhonda Harris

Joe Bagley

Pam Jones

Ren Partridge

#### **Rotary**

##### **International**

##### **President**

Carl-Wilhelm

Stenhammer

##### **District 5160**

##### **Governor**

Brian D. Thiessen

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

## Door Duty

6/23  
Elof Granberg  
Leslie Levy  
6/30  
Monique Le Conge  
7/7  
Abreu Ted  
Young James  
7/14  
Adkins Donna  
Wong Charlie  
7/21  
Alexander Richard  
Winter Mike  
7/28  
Allen Paul  
Wilson John  
8/4  
Alvarez George  
Waller Tom  
8/11  
Bagley Joe  
Wallace Bart  
8/18  
Bates Jim  
Wabeh Bill

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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 Zio  
Fraedo's Restaurant

## Meeting of June 16th, 2006

T'was the last balmy Friday of Spring '06,? and **Prez Jonathon** (whose early demotion may have fooled some of you to assume he's past...but t'aint true yet) was at the helm. **Cory Lawrence** led us in the Pledge and Pres-elect **George Egan** offered this thought for the day: "Though the beaten path is safest — the traffic is terrible."

### Visiting Rotarians

Joining us today was **Werner Schwarz'** guest from the El Sobrante club and **Don Farquharson**, Assistant District Governor from the El Cerrito club.

### Rotarians with Guests

**Glenn Daggs** introduced his guests, Bill Acevedo and Rahn Carmichael. **Cory Lawrence** introduced his guest John, an intern from Cushman & Wakefield. **Don Hardison** introduced his wife, Betty and guest Sandi Huston, president of the Art Center board. **Jan Brown** introduced Pam Stefl, artist and wife of guest speaker John Toki..

### Sunshine Report

**David K** reports all is well.

### Announcements.

The upcoming Rotary Board meeting is a great opportunity for Red Badgers to move towards blue. **Margaret Morkowski** proudly announced that 26 students had completed the Rotary-sponsored Spirit of Excellence program at Peres this year! Vice Pres-elect **Pam Jones** announced a tequila tasting dinner on June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Hotel Mac to benefit Rotary's plans for aid to Madagascar. For those who missed the much touted bourbon tasting party - here's your chance to catch up! **Prez Jonathon** announced that the first Saturday in August will be the Outfit a Kid for School program sponsored by the Salvation Army and our own **Captain Frank Desplancke**.

### Recognitions

**Don Lau** continues to fish for Rotarians without their pins. Among the birthday celebrations this past week were **Joe Nusbaum** whose sense of humor gets better with age and **Markku Pelanne** who celebrated June 10. Happy Birthday Joe and Markku!! **Glenn Daggs** and his wife celebrated their ninth anniversary and **Don and Betty Hardison** celebrated their 64<sup>th</sup> with friends (Don's best man in 1942!). Speaks well for love and friendship. Congratulations to our Rotarians and their brides!

## Upcoming Programs

7/07

"Finance Director & Treasurer, City of Richmond"

### 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



Erle Brown's x-ray vision landed him the orange ball and half of the \$376 pot!

## 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.

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

It seems that congratulations are in order for **Sid Chauvin** who is gaining an extended family through a new son-in-law. Sid knows what he's in for, but that leaves us wondering if **THEY** know what they're in for? **David K's** fishing trip leaves him empty handed - and with reason to try again. **Monique le Conge** celebrates her son's graduation from high school, and is off to New Orleans, **Hank Covell** is grateful for Rotarians **Ted Abreu** and **Jonathon Lawlis** who supported the Pinole Arts auction. **Jim Young** is proud of his kids and seems to have the youngest one back in the nest; **Margaret Morkowski** startled us by announcing our own **Rhonda Harris** was going to jail—as a fundraiser for PAL. \$1000 in contributions will set her free on June 22 at the Civic Center. **Rich Brandes** is back from a trip to Tanzania and pleased to see huge progress on the Red Oak Victory (all can see this next Friday when Rotary meets on the Red Oak). **John Nicol** announced that a hole -in-one at the Richmond Country Club charity event will catch you a brand new car courtesy of Hilltop Buick-Pontiac. **Jan Brown** was happy to have her son home for the summer with an internship at Youtube.com. Don Lau thanks **Ted Abreu** for filling in on the Flywheel last week.

### Program

**Jan Brown** introduced our speaker, **John Toki** who is a sculptor, educator, author, product designer, manufacturer, business owner and Richmond Art Center advocate. John presented the remarkable history of the Richmond Art Center, it's outreach to youth, it's encouragement and training in the arts to all ages, and its relevance in launching the careers of many nationally acclaimed artists. John's slides led us through the programs and main gallery of the Art Center, highlighting shows such as the West Contra Costa County Schools along with the works of well-known artists who got their start at the Art Center.



John finished with examples of his own work, including



### 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

his first show at the Art Center in 1978 that then led to major installations across the country. He pointed out that Art Center exposure gives many artists the chance they need to start their careers and gives the public a rare opportunity to be a part of the process.



John, who makes and installs art pieces that weigh many tons, seems to have a spirit that 'nothing is impossible' thanks to his roots at the Richmond Art Center. As the Art Center enters a period of renewal to overcome a budget shortfall, John hopes that the Art Center's place in history will benefit from new vision and support for its future.

Thank you John for your insights and your artwork in this community!

***Don't Forget Next Meeting is on board the Red Oak Victory!***

Your Rotating Editor,  
***Jan B. Nimble***

**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

**Cynthia Harris**



Classification  
Education-Primary