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*Richmond Rotary  
meets every Friday  
12:30 at the  
beautiful Mira  
Vista Golf and  
Country Club*

**Program for Friday August 26, 2005**

**Jordan Simmons**



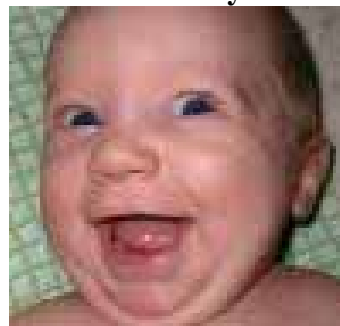
**East Bay Center for the Performing Arts**

Since 1968, the mission of the East Bay Center for the Performing Arts (EBCPA) has been: 1) to ensure that opportunities for a quality education in the arts should be available to all persons, regardless of background, age, physical disability, previous experience or ability to pay standard fees and 2) to engage the arts, which speak to our common humanity, as a vehicle for social reconciliation and social change. Informed and enriched by the art forms of the new majorities and immigrant populations that make up our diverse community, the Center's programming seeks to create opportunities for personal growth, open communication, and artistic excellence.

**Door Duty:** George Egan and Margaret Morkowski

**Program for Friday September 2, 2005**

**Joke Day**



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**Door Duty:** Charlie Fender and Judy Morgan

**Meeting of August 19, 2005**

**Prez Jonathon Lawlis** opened Richmond Rotary Club's third meeting of August, as **Stoney** led us in a prayer for peace and **Ted Abreu** led us in the pledge of allegiance. **David Brown** chose 3 Chinese proverbs and **Stoney** added a fourth, so the scribe is

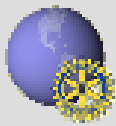
## Door Duty

8/26  
George Egan  
Margaret Morkowski

9/2  
Charlie Fender  
Judy Morgan

9/9  
Bud Martin

9/16  
Josh Genser  
Norm Lundberg



## 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



still trying to combine them into one thought for the day.

## Visiting Rotarians

**Don Farquharson** from El Cerrito Rotary. Don is also our District Assistant Governor.

## Rotarians With Guests

No visitors today.

## Sunshine Report

According to **David K.** Richmond Rotarians are in good health, although **John Nicol** reports that **Elof Granberg** wishes he was feeling better.

## Announcements

Richmond Rotarians and their friends will be treated to an *Enchanted April* when they attend this year's annual Masquers night out. A \$40 ticket buys dinner with fellow Rotarians at the Mac Hotel, a leisurely stroll across the street, and great live entertainment. Let **Hank Covell** know how many tickets you would like (email is dhcovell@pacbell.net). Be a part of the full house that is expected! **Sid Chauvin** announces the Rotary Picnic will be September 24 at the Richmond Country Club. Picnic planning sounds like it will be as much fun as the picnic itself. The picnic planning committee will meet on **Mike Winter's** boat in Benicia Harbor this Saturday or Sunday. **The annual** holiday auction is December 2 featuring our favorite auctioneers, **Don Lau** and **Jim Beaver**. This is the day of next year's election, so Jonathon is gleeful already. Treasurer **David Brown** reminds some of us that dues are due.

## Board Actions

**Prez Jonathon** announced the following Board funding actions: **\$250** to Rosie the Riveter Trust for the Whirley Crane. **\$500 Dan Ercolini Memorial Scholarship** was claimed by Chelsey Poole who will be attending UC Santa Barbara this fall. **\$1000** to the Richmond High School newly formed Law Academy. **\$500** to support the Portola Middle School music program. **In other Board news**, a Hospitality Suite is being reserved for Richmond Rotarians at Rotary's District Conference October 21 to 22 at the **Concord Hilton**.

## Recognitions

Our recognition emcee, Leslie Levy uncovered the milestone celebrations among us:

**Elof Granberg** and **Dr. Dan Sanders** are birthday buddies as they share the celebration on August 17. One of them is 86 years old and the other is 29 give or take.

## Upcoming Programs

### Aug 26

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### Sep 02

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### Sep 09

Dr. David Pearson, Dean of the School of Education (Tolman Hall), UC Berkeley, discusses current research in teaching/learning reading skills and the implications for reading curriculums.

### Sep 30

"The Truth About Olive Oil & other slippery, flavorful subjects"

### Raffle

With \$238 looking for a home, **Don Hardison** drew the FREE lunch ticket.



**Important Dates**

**8/18/05** Board Meeting at Richmond Country Club

**09/15/05**

Dinner - Theatre at the Masquers.

**10/21- 10/22/05**

District Conference in Concord

**12/02/05**

Annual Holiday Party

**12/02/05**

Holiday Party with El Cerrito Rotary

**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.

Elof was absent (see the sunshine report) but sent in a generous check and Dr. Dan was on hand to deliver his donation in person. Happy Birthday Elof and Dan!

**Richard Alexander** was honored for his ten years in Richmond Rotary. Congratulations **Stoney** and Mary Anna who celebrate their 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary this month!

**New Member**

A warm welcome to **Glenn Daggs**, Richmond Rotary's newest member! Sponsored by George Egan (who is in Alaska).



Jonathon Lawlis introduced Glenn to the Club. Glenn's classification is Security Management and operates his own business with headquarters at Hilltop.

**Happy & Sad Dollars**

**Leslie Levy** is happy that her dinner with **Chef Jim Beaver** will be this coming November 13. Leslie also adds hopeful dollars for peace in Israel and Palestine in light of recent news. **Prez Ted Abreu** himself an empty nester as his son moves to California southward and finds that which is the envy of every parent, - a job. Best wishes to son and dad in the new life ahead. **Joey Baggs**, still reminiscing about the Rotary Chicago Style Hot Dogs at last weekend centennial events thanks everyone for their help (thank YOU, Joe). Like newlyweds, **Bob Dabney** and wife Cheryl celebrated their 13<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in the wine country. Congratulations Bob and Cheryl!

**Josh Genser** wishes a fond farewell to our own Superintendent **Gloria Johnston** who is moving on to San Diego. An event in her honor was held last week. Thank you Gloria for your work in the community and your presence in Richmond Rotary! New member, **Glenn Daggs** is happy already - glad to be in Rotary and his daughter starts kindergarten this week. While it's more an admission, than a happy dollar, **Don Lau** fesses up to his handsome mug shot being featured in the Times special issue on Richmond a week ago. And **Herb Cole** was overall very happy. A fishing trip is a good time to ask him about it! **Jonathon Lawlis** wraps up the happy dollars with a welcome to new member **Glenn Daggs** and a good-to-see **Paul Hodgen** in our midst.



**Birthdays**

- 8/3** Josh Genser
- 8/5** Bud Martin
- 8/13** David Smith
- 8/17** Dan Sanders  
Elof Granberg
- 8/19** Bob Niccolls
- 8/28** Stoney  
Stonework
- 8/30** Joanne Blum  
Jonathon Lawlis

**Anniversaries**

- 8/7** Mike and Cindy  
Winter
- 8/14** Bob Dabney and  
Cheryl Maier
- 8/15** Stoney and Mary  
Anna Stonework
- 8/18** Jim and Jane  
Beaver
- 8/18** Loren and Carole  
Straughn
- 8/29** Erle and Phyllis  
Brown
- 8/30** Paul and Mary Jo  
Hodgen

**Club Anniversaries**

- 8/5** Stoney Stonework  
11 Years
- 8/16** Rich Alexander  
10 Years
- 8/25** Jim Young  
3 Years

## Get To Know Our New Members!

**Monique Le Conge**  
Classification  
Libraries

**Margaret Morkowski**  
Classification  
Waste Management

**Margaret Hanlon-Gradie**

Classification  
Consulting-Political

**Lance Jackson**  
Classification  
Engineering- Electrical

**Don Joseph**  
Classification  
Banking-Branch  
Management

**Jazzy Singh**  
Classification  
Banking – Account  
Executive

**Nick Despota**  
Classification  
Graphics-Web Design

**EJ Shalaby**  
Classification  
Wastewater  
Management

**Glenn Daggs**  
Classification  
Security Management



**Great Thinkers !**

## Program



**Jim Young** has a knack for introductions. On this day he shared his experience of being a young 'Angelino' and seeing the Bay Area for the first time, awe-struck by the beauty of its parks. With this observation, Jim introduced our speaker, **Rosemary Cameron**, Executive Director of the Regional Parks Foundation. As the fundraising nonprofit arm of the largest public park in the world, the Foundation draws public attention to little known facts about the East Bay Regional Parks. Especially intriguing is its historic roots as having been founded in the depths of the depression in 1933-34 when local visionaries recognized the need to protect the hills and watershed which would soon become subject to development. Back then, voters agreed to tax themselves at 5¢ per \$100 of assessed value. Remarkably, it now stands at 3¢ per \$100 of assessed value. Even more remarkable are the vast differences in terrain and history of the many parks including Pt. Pinole, Brookes and Brown Islands, Black Diamond, Sibley, Point Isabelle, Garden Wood and many more. Even the Foundation itself (which was founded in 1969) has its own place in history as the first 501(c)(3) in the country established to support parks, a model now widely used to accept gifts of land or money for the benefit of public parks. In addition, the Foundation is committed to public education and outreach programs i.e. its Campership Program for disadvantaged youth and Camp Arroyo in Livermore, a Green construction site with examples of straw bale, rammed earth, and reconstructed wood construction, and other sustainable environment-friendly techniques. Ms. Cameron handed out maps worthy of framing and lots of literature that would turn every TV couch potato into an avid local outdoorsman.

Thank you Ms. Cameron for focusing our attention on the value the East Bay Park District brings to our community where there's a park nearby - no matter where you work or live.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan B. Nimble

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### Highlights of the District Meeting:

#### Friday, October 21, 2005

8:00 - Golf – Diablo Creek  
8:00 - Hike Mt Diablo  
1:00 - Community Project – Markham Regional Arboretum, Concord  
5:00 - No Host Reception – Banquet Room Area - Concord Hilton  
7:00 - Dinner  
8:00 – Rain Man – Kim Peek  
9:00 - Club Entertainment – Fun, Food, Beverages – Suite Rooms – Concord Hilton

#### Saturday, October 22, 2005

8:30 – Breakfast  
9:00 - Opening Ceremony  
9:30 - Cliff Dochterman, Past RI President  
10:30 - Special Session – Getting to know Rotary  
12:00 – Lunch.  
1:00 – RI President's Representative  
2:00 – Special Session – Getting to know Rotary  
5:00 - No Host Reception – Banquet Room Area - Concord Hilton  
6:30 - Dinner  
7:30 – Cave Man – Al Mathis  
8:30 - Conclusion of District Meeting  
9:00 – Club Entertainment – Fun, Food