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**SERVICE Above Self**

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**Program for Friday October 7, 2005**

**Tom Lynden, CPA**

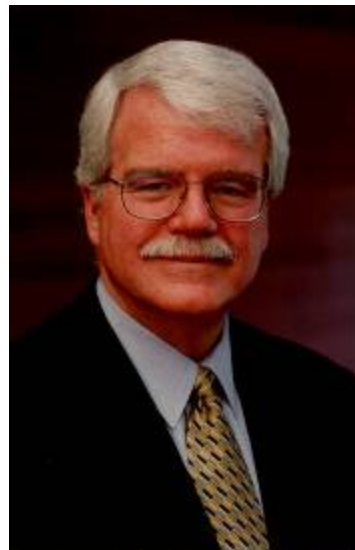
host of the West County Forum discusses the WCCUSD \$400,000,000 parcel tax, Measure "J" on the November ballot

**October 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at La Strada's In San Pablo !**

**Door Duty:** Margaret Hanlon-Gradie and Don Lau

**Program for Friday October 14, 2005**

**Congressman George Miller**



Congressman George Miller (D-CA), a leading spokesman in Congress on education, labor, the environment and Native Americans, has represented the 7th District of California in San Francisco's East Bay since 1975. His district includes portions of Contra Costa and Solano counties, including Richmond, Concord, Martinez, Pittsburg, Vallejo, Benicia and Vacaville

**Door Duty:** Don Hardison and EJ Shalaby



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

## Door Duty

10/14  
Don Hardison  
EJ Shalaby

10/21  
No Meeting

10/28  
Rhonda Harris  
David K

11/4  
Ralph Hill  
Joe Kelman

11/11  
Joni Hiramoto  
Henry Kelman

11/18  
Paul Hodgen  
Judy Kafka

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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 September 30, 2005

In what was unquestionably the largest crowd of the year, **Prez Jon** rang the meeting to order. **Past President Stoney** led the SRO congregation in a moment of silence for freedom and peace on Earth. Foundation Chair **Erle Brown** led the pledge and VP **George Egan** provided the thought for the day. Not having heard it myself it could've gone like this;  
"How much wood could a wood chuck chuck if a wood chuck could chuck wood?"

### Visiting Rotarians

Visiting us from the neighboring city of Hercules was **Joanne Ward**, President of Hercules Rotary. Joanne and Jonathon exchanged club banners.

### Rotarians with Guests

**Lance Jackson** did well to introduce as his guest, his boss, Sam Yoshida visiting from So Cal.

**Glenn Dags** brought his partner in crime (prevention) Mike Taylor. **Charlie Wong** proudly introduced son Gary, Assistant District Governor of the Lions Clubs International. Jonathon introduced his long time friend Jeff Boero from PG&E and also his long time son Nick!

### Special Guests

Returning to tradition, Richmond Rotary hosted the Soroptimist International Club of Richmond.



President Bess Introduced their members, many of whom are or were Rotarians.

## Upcoming Programs

### Oct 7

Tom Lynden, CPA and host of the West County Forum discusses the WCCUSD \$400,000,000 parcel tax, Measure "J" on the November ballot. 510-758-6800.

### Oct 14

**Congressman George Miller**

### Oct 28

Michael Mahoney, Chair of the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee discusses the use of Measure M & D school bonds and the need for Measure "J" on the Nov. ballot.

### Raffle

Prez Jon asked **Dan MacLean** to pull the ticket. Choosing a free lunch over the kitty, Our Soroptimist sister displayed the white ball. The pot is growing. \$416 at last tally!



## Important Dates

**09/30/05** Joint Meeting with Soroptomists

**10/20/05** Board Meeting at Richmond Country Club

**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.

## Sunshine Report

With evidence of a beautiful day behind him, **David K.** reported nothing but sunshine.

## Announcements

On Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup>, Peres Elementary School is going to dedicate the **Dan Ercolini Memorial Library and Computer lab**. Please sponsor a Classroom at Peres ES". So far we have 22 Rotarians signed up Get your checks to **David Brown** The **Holiday Auction and Party** will both be December 2<sup>nd</sup>. However, the auction will be at the Mira Vista CC per tradition, followed by the election of officers, and, the party will be in the evening with the El Cerrito and Richmond Rotaries coming together to celebrate at the Richmond CC.

## Recognitions

Closing out September as recognitions guy, Big, Bad **Sid Chauvin** called on **Joe Baggs** for B'day #54. Joe and Rita celebrated their trifecta, two birthdays and an anniversary totaling 137 years, in the beautiful town of Mendocino. **Margaret Morkowski** thanked Sid for not mentioning her birthday, but sticking to the 4 way test had to confess to it anyway. As one of the first women to join, **Past President Leslie** was recognized for 18 years in Richmond Rotary!

## Happy & Sad Dollars

Sgt-at-Arms John Nicol was kept busy collecting many a happy dollar today. **Stoney** was happy for a new grandchild. **Glenn** reminisced over days past spent in front of Judge Bess. **David Brown** was also happy to see Bess here. Lance got off cheap by putting in \$5 bucks to hear about Herb's momma. Never being short on words, **Herb** filled us in. You had to be there! Recognitions Master **Don Lau** was very happy to announce that the long lost **Beav** would be back as Finemaster in October. Erle was happy to see the Sorptomists and especially his boss Phyllis! Erle was also predicting wins for Cal and Michigan State. **PDG Werner Schwarz** had happy dollars to see **George Alvarez** back at the Club, as were all of us. **Soroptimist Joyce** was very happy that the Salesians Boys and Girls Club will be burning their mortgage as a result of funds raised by Joe Montana and the Legends Golf Tournament .

## Program



Prez Jon introduced today's speaker **Dan MacLean** of California Oils Corp. As operations manager, Dan walked



## Birthdays

**10/3** Joe Bagley  
**10/11** Jim Cannon  
**10/11** John Troughton  
**10/13** TomCameron  
**10/13** RenPartridge  
**10/21** Troy Pewitt  
**10/23** Charlie Wong

## Anniversaries

**10/1** Dave and Betty Calfee  
**10/7** Margaret and Thomas Hanlon-Gradie  
**10/12** David and Mary Ruth Smith  
**10/22** Bart and Norma Wallace  
**10/24** Bud and Alice Martin  
**10/24** Ted and Carolyn Smith  
**10/30** Troy and Annell Grove

## Club Anniversaries

**10/6** Barry Gordon 7 yrs  
**10/7** Donna Bell 12 yrs  
**10/10** Rich Brandes 12 yrs  
**10/10** Tom Butt 25 yrs!!  
**10/16** Jim Beaver 16 yrs  
**10/20** Ted Abreu 10 yrs  
**10/21** Bud Martin 42 yrs!!!  
**10/25** Paul Allen 4 yrs

**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



Who's the Man!

us through his power point presentation of how the 40 year+ Richmond Company makes many of the oils that we use in our everyday foods. Cal Oils is the largest edible oil refining plant in the west coast of the United States. They store, refine and ship both domestically and internationally in excess of 100,000 metric tonnes of specialty oils each year.

And the meeting was adjourned.

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Chief Cook and Bottle Washer,  
Jonathon Lawlis

**Rotarians In Action**



Don Lau caught working at the YMCA Pancake Breakfast



Coffee Anyone?

Sid, Zelpha and Herb dig in

**Picnic**



Thanks Sid !!

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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