

# Madam Pres' Press



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## #1 / 18<sup>th</sup> = Buena Suerte

by Lou Fifer – Three Scoops & Out

Without a penchant for a specific timed start as our previous two PWRegents, our newest & firstest **Madam President** welcomed our Fri'Morn'B'fast PWRoundTablers to her 1<sup>st</sup> of the 18<sup>th</sup> PWR Term at a stately "manana time of 7:20-30-ish" with her best Barcelonian RI Conventioneer's "Buenos Dais", my name is "**Sandy Thompson** and I am your President!" She then quickly explained that she learned three other turns of phrase whilst whiling away in the land of Don Quixote y Sancho Panza at the port town Chritso Colon called "home" – "Donde es el bano? – "Quiero dos Cervezas, por favor" – "Vamanos a comprar unos zapatos". (To such a prepared student of the lenguas del mundo one can only say "Buenos tacos, Sra Tomsin"! – Ed) **Madam Pres** went on to recite our newest **RIP Bhichai Rattakul** Theme "*Sow the Seeds of Love*", with her own personalization of "... whatever that means ..." and **DG5180 Hal Shipley's** "**MEMBERSHIP – MEMBERSHIP – MEMBERSHIP**" plus y/our **Madam Pres'** "*Help Others and have Fun*" '02-'03 mottos.

**Madam Pres'** called **PP Bill Fobes II** (her newly crowned "mentor") to lead the "I Pledge ..." and then **Golden Throat Heilman** for another of his patriotic doses of "America".

"An American is one who will fight for his freedom and that of his neighbor."

*Harold Ickes*



"A man's country is not a certain area of land, but it is a principle; and patriotism is loyalty to that principle."

*George William Curtis*

**Madam Pres** then called on one of our newest PWRs to give his Thought for the day, wherein **Paul Smith** quickly noted that "... teens eating dinner with their parents reduces underage drinking ... and illegal drug use ... and pre-marital sex ... and suicide ... and a host of other ills of the younger sect ..." **Paul** was particularly thankful for our PWR organization & families & ... pass the succotash, **Paul ...**"

**Madam Pres** recognized VRs: **Tom User** (Temecula, with club banner); **Bob Johnson** (DtR); **DG5180 Hal Shipley** (Elk Grove); and **ADG Larry Suddjian** (PP PWR). **Madam Pres** then extended the warm hand of welcome to our Guest **Scott Graham** (Prospective PWR) and our HeadTablers: **JWP Larry II Challis**; **PE3Bean\$ Houghton**; **PP Bill Fobes II** (& 18<sup>th</sup> Term's Regal Mentor); **Laura Bersinger** (#2 PWR AmbSchol 2002-03); and **Money Bags Dick Goodell** (PWR's 18<sup>th</sup> Treasurer)

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Check out y/our "BEST of all Dist5180" weekly words of PWR's coming & goings.

### Coming PWRotary Events

07-19 07:15

**Peter Christensen – SacMetroAirQual**

07/26 07:15

**WWII Nuke Witness – Dave Callahan**

08/02 07:15

**Maxine Clubman – Parkinson Assoc.**

08/09 07:15

**PSThompson's FREE Trip to Spain**

08-16 07:15

**RYLA Students Say Thanks**

08-23 07:15

**John Volek – CSUS Football Coach**



1. Is it the Truth?

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**TBD**  
 08-09  
**TBD**

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## PWR's Passing of the Pin

Our **JWP Larry II Challis** stood to bestow upon our newest **Madam Pres** the time honored "First President's Pin" that has been worn "more or less" by every PWR President in our 18 Terms. **JWP Larry II** surprised us all as he freely admitted that he thought Rotary Pins, and even President's Pins, were like Dental Floss in that you used 'em once and then cast them aside – but in this case he had actually saved the hallowed harbinger of honor in a safe enough place that he could find it to pass it along to **Madam Pres** on her first day on the business side of the PWR Regal Rostrum. **JWP Larry II** did not that giving another Rotary pin to **Madam Pres** was closely akin, nay incestuous, to bringing "coals to Newcastle" but he alleged that although "this" pin was not bejeweled or stylized it was still "special".

## E-Too-Fancies



**Madam Pres** allowed as to how it is going to be "way hard" following up **JWP Larry II's** sterling year at the helm of PWR but to ease her transition she fancied giving gifts & "Pins de Espana" to both **JWP Larry II** and her successor **PE3Bean\$ Houghton**. It was so sweet watching the tear come to **JWP Larry II's** eyes as he clearly understood the sentiment and the special phrasing in what is now his second tongue. **PE3Bean\$** on the other hand was looking for Tequila in exchange.

## Lots of Advice Proffered

**Madam Pres** ever eager to learn from her elders, those esteemed & predecessor and any in the more know, some former PWRegents & others noted offered a passel of good words, and some encouraging, on how she should run her 18<sup>th</sup> PWR Term. For example:



**HereCumDaJudge PP Dave Abbott** suggested that she "... just keep talking and eventually they will listen ..."



**PP Bill Fobes II** opined, "... don't be funny, cuz' you can't ..." then he "volunteered" to be **Madam Pres'** "mentor". Yeh!



**Doug** (I want the "non-affle" tix) suggested to "just keep 'em in line, push the cantaloupe on the rowdy ones, and do it all with a velvet glove".

2. Is it fair to all concerned?

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To support its member clubs in fulfilling the Objectives of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration.

**The Objectives of Rotary**

1<sup>st</sup>. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

2<sup>nd</sup>. 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.

3<sup>rd</sup>. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life.

4<sup>th</sup>. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**DONATE Your BLOOD**  
Call (916) 456-1500 to make an appointment and be sure to credit PWR Acct #6656.

**If ... then ... You Can ...**

**Madam Pres** put out the word that “anyone among our PWRoundTablers with six months attendance can be PWR President ...” (If that’s true, such just about makes **George Gomes** DistGov material. – Ed)

**Laura Bersinger #2 AmbSchol**  
**OXFORD UNIVERSITY**

**Laura Bersinger** stood at her last PWR Fri’Morn’B’fast to thank all PWRs for the wonderful opportunity we afforded her to go to Europe and study in Oxford, England for her second Masters Degree. However she allowed that she would have been happy to have sat with more PWRs than just **PP Bill Fobes II**; probably to get to know more of us and to personally express her appreciation for her international experience, her study abroad, and her Spanish immersion course in San Sebastian just prior to enrolling at Oxford, in Sep’02, where the granite steps have been worn thin and sloped by some of the most erudite students England has known since the Royals became enthroned. **Laura** suggested that all PWRs visit her travelogue web site & Email her to share whatever we are doing as she matriculates in “merry old”.

**PWR-F Gifts to BeneGivCmte**

Resplendent in his very best Aloha Friday shirt, **PP Jack Kasper** held the Fri’Morn’ throng enthralled as he recounted how “... we promised you a PWR-Foundation Banner, and here it is ... we promised a donation to PWR’s Benevolent Giving Committee, and soon to be will transfer \$5,000 ... and ... the PWR-F will accept any amount of donations, save only Euro’s ...”

**ROTY’02 Caught In Print**

**ROTY’02 Carol Van Bruggen** was quoted up front in “Business”, Sun, 14Jul02 in the “other” local rag wherein she suggests relying on “... lawmakers (to) ... come up with something decisive ...” to put a cure to the flagging faith the general public has in Wall Street & HQ corporate’s accounting (mis)practices. She also opined that “...executives should come out and say: ‘I screwed up. I did something wrong.’” She fell short of explaining avarice & cheating and the anguish felt as the upper most got caught. Or that we have become accustomed to expect that the former two were planned but it should come as a fait accompli that the latter shall reflex with as grand a fall as the brief swoop up in fluffed profits and losses spun round to expenses for capital purchase. (A corollary of the times might be “Invest if you must but first find someone to trust.” – Ed.)

**1<sup>st</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Ringer – Grand Dad**

To ring in PWR’s 18<sup>th</sup> year, **BoD Keith Tronson** stood to announce that he is for the very first time **Abigail Claire’s** proud Grandfather. She was born 28Jun in San Francisco which caused **Keith** to Clang Copper for \$100 schmollies.

**2<sup>nd</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Ringer – Gets Around**

She too all done up in her “Aloha Friday Mahalo”, **Claudette Ostrander** recently back from a trip (duh!) acknowledged that she had recently been in the “other” local rag advertising for her “Town & Country Travel” agency and that her ad fees had more than adequately covered **Bob Berger’s** pension and several of his progeny’s education funds. Then “Mrs. Travel” Boinkt Brass for \$100.

**3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?**

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**Dist5180 MAKE-Ups**  
(See www.Rotary5180.org)

## MONDAY

**11:30 - South Sacramento**  
Casa De Los Ninos Rest  
**Noon - Oroville**  
Depot Restaurant  
**Noon - Citrus Heights**  
CH Comm Center  
**Noon - Foothill Highlands**  
Buggy Whip Restaurant  
**Noon - Walnut Grove**  
Wimpy's Restaurant  
**6:45 pm - Fair Oaks**  
F.O. Comm Clubhouse

## TUESDAY

**7:00am - Mather/Perkins**  
La Bou Bakery & Café  
**7:00am - Oroville-Sunrise**  
Depot Restaurant  
**7:00am - Sacto Breakfast**  
Sacramento Capital Club  
**7:00am - Sutter Buttes**  
Bonanza Conv Center  
**Noon - Arden Arcade**  
Bravo Restaurant  
**Noon - Rancho Cordova**  
Elks Lodge  
**Noon - Roseville**  
Sierra View CC  
**6:30 pm - Carmichael**  
Café Capri Restaurant

## WEDNESDAY

**7:15 am - Natomas**  
McDonald's  
**7:15 am - Laguna/EGrove**  
Valley Hi Country Club  
**7:15 am - El Dorado Hills**  
EDH CommSvcPavillion  
**Noon - Rocklin / Loomis**  
Sunset Whitney CC  
**Noon - East Sacramento**  
Sudwerk's (Expo Blvd)  
**Noon - Elk Grove**  
Vince's Restaurant  
**Noon - North Sacramento**  
Double Tree Hotel  
**5:30 pm - Midtown Sacto**  
Harlow's Restaurant

## THURSDAY

**7:00am - Roseville Sunrise**  
Carrow's Restaurant  
**12:15 pm - Sacramento**  
Call Peggy 443-1433  
**7:00 pm - Folsom**  
Lew Howard Park

## FRIDAY

**7:00am - Orangevale**  
La Placita Restaurant  
**12:15 pm - Granite Bay**  
Piatti's  
**12:15 pm - West Sacto**  
Club Pheasant

## PWRounders Drew a Bye

**Coach Dave Mrizek** asked that all PWRs book the week after next to watch our 3 & 1 PWRounders take on the next comers with his admonition that "... we're over the toughest part of the season ... until the play-offs ... which is when the season really starts ..." (It's a good match "soft" ball & reasoning. - Ed)

## In Lieu of a Speaker

**Madam Pres** caused each of her new BoD's and major Committee Chairs to stand and briefly tell "wazzup" for their coming years'.

**Rob Sowell** will shepherd our International programs & Paul Harris Fellowships.

**Roger Gaskin** will continue to Chair all PWR Drinking Events, the most important our biggest fund raiser the CalBrewFest.

**ROTY'00 Mike Meighan** looks forward to lighting another year's "safe & sane" Fireworks Booth.

**Tim Armstrong** will handle the Vocational Programs & continue with his strong involvement in the H.O.S.T.S. at JSMS.

**Beth Leonard** will Co-Chair the BeneGivCmte, this year with \$ to give thanks to the 17<sup>th</sup> Term's efforts.

**Keith Tronson** will oversee the RYLA, Paint the Town, Eagle Golf & our SoY-PoY-Foy-ToY Presentations.

**Rich Graber** will oversee our Scholarship Programs and the H.O.S.T.S.

**Earl Dempsey** will insure that the Sergeants-at-Arms wear their beguiling Yellow Jackets.

**Ed Goldkuhl, Esq** will head our New Membership efforts.

**Bud Ackerman** will be **Madam Pres'** Corresponding & Recording Secretary.

**Dick Goodell** will assume the reigns of the PWR Treasury.

**PE3Beans\$** will set up the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bowl-a-thon, and hopefully stay healthy for the 19<sup>th</sup> PWR Term.

**JWP Larry II Challis** will watch out for the elections of the 19<sup>th</sup> PWR Term.

## Like Soccer - We've Got 'em

**Madam Pres** kicked off her 18<sup>th</sup> PWR Term with a set of Goals on Goldenrod leaflets distributed throughout our PWRoundTables:

**Fellowship** - Get to know each member. Learn of challenges and ways to support each other and cheer each other. Have fun! Find more people like us!

**Help Others** - Through community, club and vocational service, help others, especially children to grow up healthy and strong.

**Focus on Schools** - High priority for our club to focus on Jonas Salk (Middle School) and Encina High School. Develop and perfect programs that are meaningful and helpful to these students.

**Support the Foundations** - Educate, explain and emphasize the importance of both the PWR Foundation and the Rotary International Foundation.

**Find a "niche" for everyone** - Everyone in the club has gifts, talents and qualities that help our club be the best club in the world. Be true to ourselves - be everything we can be. Through active participation, we can make a difference.

**Help Others - Have Fun!**

## Raffles & Adjournment

**Madam Pres** first called on **ROTY'01 Buzz Weisenfeld, Esq** to auction off two tix to the Sacto Capitols Team Tennis "in the best parking lot venue in the league". The tix, at a face value of \$50 each went to the highest bidder **PP Bob Tilly, DDS** for \$50 total. Then with the numbers called out **ROTY'00 Mike Meighan** raised his paw with the winning Raffle Ticket to take home \$46 just before **Madam Pres** suggested that we "... get rid of this man & woman thing ... but keep them around for certain things ... just not Presidential ..." (Way to "mentor" **PP Bill Fobes II**. - Ed).

**Madam Pres** then called to an end her 1<sup>st</sup> Fri'Morn'B'fast of the 18<sup>th</sup> PWR Term.

4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?