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Book-ended by President Drew and mentor PP Sandy Thompson, Laura Bersinger received a plaque, a bottle of champagne and an invitation to sit on President Drew's lap. The last perk she declined offhand, explaining later she had been conditioned by an English law that prohibits youth from "sitting on the laps of Santa Claus and cartoon characters."

Prez Welcomes Oxford Scholar With Open Arms

After a year studying for a master's degree in international management at Oxford University, ambassadorial scholar **Laura Bersinger** returned home to thank PWR for an experience she said opened her eyes to the world. Among her discoveries, she said, was the alarming one that Hollywood forms the image most people have of Americans. Though she did not elaborate, interestingly that same day Associated Press offered further insight by reporting the world's highest paid actor (\$43 million a picture) is **Adam Sandler**. Of course, a more eye-opening experience for Laura was Friday's meeting, which featured a particularly frisky **President Drew** and PWR peanut gallery. Now Laura can

return to England with the knowledge that Adam Sandler's image is one she should be proud of.

Laura recounted her activities both speaking to and raising money for English Rotary clubs, which tend to be small all-male groups whose meetings are coat-and-tie affairs. Her good deeds included donning a costume patterned after Sooty, the grimmest half of England's cartoon team Sooty and Sweep, to help raise \$300 pounds for England's Blind Children's Society. During her many slide presentations, Laura invariably shocked the chauvinistic Englanders with a picture of herself with **PP Sandy Thompson**. Sandy's presidential title invited the predictable response that only a California Rotary club would have a transvestite as its president. The Rotarians were then doubly shocked to learn Sandy is a woman.



Sept. 5 — Next Meeting

Club Assembly

Sept. 12 Meeting

Assemblyman Cox

Sept. 20 — 19th Annual

California Brewfest



1. Is it the Truth?



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News Meeting
Speaker: Club Assembly
Invoker: Bruce Levering
Greeters: Randy Bechtel and
Lou Fifer
Money Changer: Rich Fathy
Tickets: Jim Fletcher

Laura, a graduate of El Camino High School who holds a degree in civil engineering from Chico State and an MBA from Sac State, said she will return to England to write her thesis, but promised afterward to resettle in Sacramento and become a PWR member. She also said she planned to marry in the next day or two, both for love and what she sensed was a real and present need to change her name.

Latest on Brewfest



This in from **Carl Naake** and **Earl Dempsey**, which we reprint as is even though it violates *Drewz Newz*' first editorial policy – no exclamation points.

Ticket Sales

You can help the club immensely if you can sell the 25 tickets given to you in your ticket packet. We are expecting added ticket sales this year from Pub Sales and from the biggest promotion package ever (put together by **Paul Adams**), so if we can duplicate or better last years' ticket sales by the club, we should have a great crowd for the event! See **Bud Ackerman** if you have any questions.

Manpower

Please see **Kathy Copeland** on Friday to sign up for Manpower slots. We are trying to fill up the second shift with Pod Sponsors, so that most of the members can work the first shift and then enjoy the Brewfest after 3:00PM. We also need help in the food area because Tyson Foods has generously donated 1,000 Chicken Sandwiches that we need to prepare and sell (Thanks again to **Mike Cendro!**).

Pod Sponsor

If your company can help out by providing 8 to 10 People to work at the event (for the modest cost of \$250.00) we will provide you with plenty of advertising and a great time for your employees. See **Rick Bixler** or **Earl Dempsey**. If you can't supply the Manpower, but would like to help out the event, your company can be an Event Sponsor and get a bunch of advertising (and other assorted goodies) starting at \$500 (cheap at twice the price!). See Roger Gaskin for the details.

Will Calls

Dan Hall will be handling the gates this year and he wants to make it perfectly clear that if you want to leave will call tickets for your friends or employees this year, you must put the tickets in an envelope with both your name and the will call persons name on the outside of the envelope. See Dan if you have any questions.

2. Is it fair to all concerned?



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MISSION

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

- 1st. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- 2nd. 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.
- 3rd. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life.
- 4th. 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.

Please Support the Brewfest!!!!

Softball Team Takes Bows To No Applause



Although its final game was Aug. 8, the Softball Team refuses to go away. At Friday's meeting, the team lined up like poster boys for "The Usual Suspects" made another pitch that members should care. On the mound for the group was **Monte Watson**, who for ten minutes detailed the team's major accomplishments of which there were none – except, of course, the one Monte left unsaid, namely the team's record-setting capacity for beer.

PWR Big Winner in Vegas



Bob Porter spoke on behalf of yet another line-up of usual suspects, these calling themselves golfers who played in

the PORTSNYD Tournament, otherwise known as the Vegas Golf and Lap Dancers Junket. At least Bob had the good sense to make things up (recounting Vegas trips to your wife makes one good at that), telling the audience PWR members actually won something (at the tournament, not the casinos). Foremost among the winners was **Russ Fujii** (\$234), **Ed Harrington** (\$190) and **Dave Abbott** (\$120). Voted the worst golfer was **Dave Mrizek**, not surprisingly the perennial coach of the Softball Team.



Photo by Amo Romero

Invoker Rich Fathy read in full "The Declaration of Independence." Reactions to Rich's recital varied, the most novel of which was Carl Naake's, who thought Rich was doing a skit and stole some of Rich's material trying to get yucks introducing his Brewfest report. The gist of Carl's report, by the way, was that he was contacted by a man in India who is Brewfest-bound hoping to find ideas for a pub he wants to open inside the Taj Mahal. Carl was remanded to psychiatric care.

3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?



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

Lionsgate Hotel-McClelland
Park

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

Carrow's 2800 J St.

7:00am - Sutter Buttes

Bonanza Conv Center

Noon - Arden Arcade

Chateau Restaurant

Town & Country Village

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 CommSvc Pavillion

Noon - Rocklin / Loomis

Sunset Whitney CC

Noon - East Sacramento

Del Paso Country Club

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

New Member Posting

Rob Angell

Classification: dental supplies-sales,
has been recommended for membership by
Bruce Levering and **President Drew**.

Also nominated is:

Mark Woolgar

Classification: accounting-international,
whose sponsors are **Kerry Gordon** and
President Drew.

Lindow Celebrates Diploma

John Lindow rang the bell after celebrating
his 50th high school reunion in Milwaukee,
Wis., coincidentally the site of a Harley
Davidson convention that attracted
200,000 party-hardy bikers and their
chicks. The rest of John's class celebrated
the reunion outside Milwaukee.

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4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?