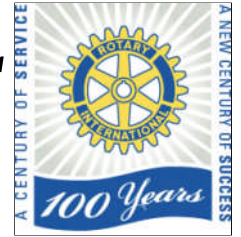




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## Copeland Launches Labor Day Weekend

SACRAMENTO, CA, September 3, 2004 – President **Mark Copeland** rang in the tenth meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> term of the Rotary Club of Point West – Sacramento at 7:15 a.m. This reporter believes that **Pam Lapinski** led the pledge, although I am not sure since **Rich Graber** was talking to me at the time that the pledge commenced. Songman **Guy Heilman**, reverted to the old reliable verse of *My Country Tis of Thee*.

**Jonnie Corcoran**, noting the long and distinguish drinking history of the Irish, invoked the following words of Irish wisdom: “If you drink, you may become drunk. If you become drunk, you may pass out. If you pass out you will not be able to commit any bad deeds or sins. If you never commit any bad deeds or sins, you will go to heaven. Therefore, according to the Irish and **John**, if you drink you will go to heaven.”

President **Mark** moved swiftly into table introductions. Included in the acknowledgements

### Upcoming Greeters, Tickets & Cashiers

**Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>** Jeff von Kaenel – Speaker  
Chris Taylor – Greeter  
Nancy Ferguson – Greeter  
James Thompson – Tickets  
Keith Tronson – Cashier  
Paul Cunha – Invocator

**Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>** Bill Swettenham – Speaker  
Roger Andriessie – Greeter  
Ervin McMullen – Greeter  
Tom Christensen – Tickets  
Russ Fuji – Cashier  
Scott Daulton – Invocator

**Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>** Steve Nilan - Speaker  
Russ Fuji – Greeter  
Ervin McMullen – Greeter  
Roger Andriessie – Tickets  
Tom Christensen, MD – Cashier  
Gardiner deBack – Invocator

was **Dave Black**. **Dave** is trying to rectify the serious lapse of judgment displayed he displayed previously when he dropped out of the PWR club. **Claudette Ostrander**’s husband **William** and prospective new member **Jerry Abba** (a former headliner for a ‘70’s Scandinavian rock group) with Premier West Bank rounded out the guests.

Next, President **Mark** introduced the honorees seated at the head table which included Beer Czar **Earl Dempsey** (seen recently at the Sutter Club selling Brewfest tickets table by table), construction guru **Paul Cunha**, wearing parts of a quilt his mother made for him when he was a lad (**Paul** was sitting at the head table for some inexplicable reason that President **Mark** would not identify even when hounded by the local press), fireman **Dan Haverty** and speaker **Dr. Jerry Bushberg**. After introducing himself, President **Mark**, announced PWR’s centennial term theme of “Good people drinking good beer” and the Rotary International theme of “Celebrate Beer”.

**SELL Your Tickets!!!**



**FINAL Brewfest Committee Meeting**

**Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> – 5:30p.m.**

Wickland Oil Offices

3610 American River Dr., Ste.140

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual California Brewers Festival**  
**Saturday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> in Old Sacramento**



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## Board of Directors Meetings

Held at 7:00am on the first Tuesday of each month at Wickland Oil Co. 3610 American River Dr., 140 Sacramento, CA 95864



## 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

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.

## SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

**September Birthdays:** The club, off key and out of sync, provided a birthday "scarenade" to all of the PWR members conceived after their parents had consumed spiked eggnog around Christmas time or who were blasted on New Year eve (i.e. those with September birthdays). Happy birthday to **Randy Bechtel, John Bell, Earl Dempsey, Tom Harvey, Randy Kilgore, Beth Leonard, Ken Morris, Tracy Owensby, David Thimgan, Kevin Valine, Dan Hall and those others that I missed.**

**Swingers Update:** In softball news, the PWR No-names snapped up their two most impressive wins of the year when two other Rotary clubs, discovering PWR on their schedules, did not even bother to show up on the field of play. Team co-captain **Rich "The Natural" Graber** stated, "these were the most decisive wins in an otherwise relatively successful season." **Rich** thanked everyone who defended the club's honor by showing up to play and announced that spring training for the 2005 season starts on Saturday September 18 at the Freeway Gardens in Old Sacramento!

**Brewfest Update:** Brewfest Co-Chair and birthday boy **Earl Dempsey**, indicated everything is in place for the Brewfest/Spring Softball training event on Saturday September 18 *except for patrons*. **Ticket sales are now THE name of the game.** Turn in your ticket money NOW so that we can buy the beer for the event. Members can pick up Brewfest tickets, posters and banners from **Kirk Smith**.

**Bob Porter** made it loud and clear that additional woman/man power is still needed for our new, longer event. **Bob** made the announcement through a LOUD speaker while sporting a hard hat that looked strikingly similar to his esteemed and well protected noggin (which besides being slang for head also means 1/4<sup>th</sup> of a pint of beer). **Paul "Beer Adman" Adams** (try saying that fast after you have had three beers) played one of his favorite Brewfest radio spots. Even though he did not attend Chico State, **Paul** is doing a great job. NOW DO YOURS!!

## SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

**Centennial Project:** **Gary Hardesty** posted a warning to the club members that the PWR Centennial Project will involve a construction project that will be a 5 to 7 weekend effort. He alerted the club that he will need professional help for the project. **Gary** seemed confident he would get a big turnout for the initial phase of the project involving demolition, something that the PWR members are particularly good at. Stand by for more after the Brewfest.

**Host Program:** Host Program leaders **Nancy Ferguson** and **Walter Helm** need your help in getting the tutoring year off to a good start. Call **Nancy** to help out with core club activity. YOUR CLUB AND THE STUDENTS NEED YOU!!

**Ambassadorial Scholar Program:** Mom-in-waiting **Jennifer Curtsinger** proudly announced the awarding of a 5<sup>th</sup> scholarship of \$25,000 to a deserving study who will travel to Peru to study Latin (why didn't he go to the Vatican?).

## DONATE Your BLOOD

Call (916) 456-1500 to make an appointment and please ask



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## Dist5180 MAKE-Ups

(See [www.Rotary5180.org](http://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

Mills Station Community Hall

7:00am – Oroville-Sunrise

Depot Restaurant

7:00am – Sacto Breakfast

Ganul's J Street Cafe

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

Uptown Café

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

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

## SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

**Roster Updates:** The club members are reminded that if there are any changes to their information in the club roster (e.g. birthdates for members like X-Pres. **Sandra Thompson**), let club Executive Secretary **George Daniels** know. Rumor has it that next to the loud and boisterous **Doug Weill**, **George** is doing a great job.

**John Bell Rings Big Ben:** Recently released from the Tower of London, John Bell returned from a trip to Great Britain (including Scotland) with tales of the Lake District, sheep dog trials and Oxford University. **John** returned bearing gifts for Prime Minister **Mark Blair**, including sticky toffee sauce (**John** indicated that his wife is particularly fond of the sticky toffee sauce), a changing of the guard snow ball and a Union Jack hat that is a definitely a keeper. **John** rang the bell to celebrate his return.

**Rotary Golf Tourney:** A reminder the North Sacramento Rotary Club and four other Rotary clubs are holding a golf tournament in support of the Oak Park Rotary House. The OPRH provides housing for family members with children receiving long term care at Shriner's Hospital. The tournament is on September 10 and they are looking for fearsome foursomes. Call or e-mail President **Mark** for details.

## SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

**Guest Speaker:** Member **Dan Haverty**, provided with a stark reminder of how a tough and rowdy a PWR crowd can be, tried to provide a History Channel type introduction of the guest speaker. After **Dan**

retreated to his seat for a stiff belt of vodka, guest speaker **Dr. J. T. Bushberg** apprehensively took over the podium. **Dr. Bushberg**, a Purdue graduate who previously taught at Yale, is a radiology professor at U.C. Davis. After accepting **Doug Weill's** invitation to join the PWR Science Club, **Dr. Bushberg** proceeded to provide an interesting and far ranging talk on the Center for Radiology Emergencies at U.C. Davis, an emergency preparedness booklet that he helped prepare and his experiences with the victims of the Chernobyl disaster, including a story of a Russian who after having survived both the explosion at the Chernobyl plant and near fatal bungling at a local Russian hospital thereafter, chalked up his survival skills to the following longevity formula: "morning=vodka; lunchtime=vodka; evening=vodka." I'll bet his is also going to Irish heaven!

**Jack "Kenny Rogers" Kasper** won the raffle and escaped with \$51.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

## SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

## CELEBRATE ROTARY!!! SAVE THE DATE!!!

The Rotary Club of Point West – Sacramento will celebrate its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the Del Paso Country Club on Saturday, January 29, 2005. Anyone interested in helping please contact **Todd Murray** or **Bob Porter**.

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## REMINDER:

Point West Rotary Fellowship begins at 7:00a.m. with the meeting beginning promptly at 7:15a.m.

Share the Rotary experience. If you know of anyone interested in Rotary or someone who would benefit from the Objectives of membership in Rotary *please* contact **Dave Abbott** (874-8690) or **Gary Woods** (567-2625) or visit the PWR website for more information on requirements for membership as well as requirements for sponsoring a prospective member.

## District 5180 News & Information

There are four upcoming activities of note in District 5180. First, is Rotary Night at the Sacramento Monarchs. District Governor **Steve Lemmon**, WNBA basketball fan and tall fir himself, has arranged this fundraising opportunity for the District. Tickets are \$18 each with \$3.50 of each ticket going directly to **POLIO PLUS**. Game day is Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. After you have finished cleaning up from the Brewfest go spend a few hours watching the ladies shoot hoops and help Rotary raise some dinero.

The second District 5180 event, is the District Foundation Seminar. That exciting event is also on Saturday (yes, you guessed it) September 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:30a.m. to noon at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento.

Thirdly, also at the Doubletree Hotel on November 6<sup>th</sup> is the Rotary District Foundation Dinner. Don't miss this one!

And last, though certainly not least, is the Rotary International President's Dinner on Monday, January 3, 2005. District 5180 will host RI President **Glenn Estess** at the Hyatt Hotel in Sacramento. This event will be an "official" meeting for PWR as the previous Friday is dark in observance of the New Year's holiday.