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BREWFEST PREVIEW

SACRAMENTO, CA, September 17, 2004 – President **Mark Copeland** kick started the twelve meeting of the 20th term of the Rotary Club of Point West – Sacramento; late as usual (the members were too busy conducting their mandatory fellowship obligations). **Darryl Vasko** did a marvelous job leading the pledge. **Guy Heilman** led the club through a rather nice version of *America*. Invocator **Scott Daulton**, a man of few but meaningful words, noted a professor once proclaimed that it was a commendable person “who has nothing to say and cannot be persuaded to say it.”

Table introductions included an introduction by **Rob Sowell** of his son **Jason**, who is petty officer in the Navy and who helped out with the Brewfest. Some international Rotarians were also present in the audience along with long time PWR supporter and former Active 20-30 Club President **Steve Bender**.

President **Mark** acknowledged those gracing the head table: Guest Speaker **Bill Swettingham** and introducer **Rich Fathy** to President **Mark’s** left (your right) and **Dick Oliver** and **Rich Graber** on President **Mark’s** right (your

Upcoming Greeters, Tickets & Cashiers

Sept. 24th
Steve Nilan– Speaker
Russ Fujii – Greeter
Erv McMullen – Greeter
Roger Andriess– Tickets
Tom Christensen – Cashier
Gardiner deBack – Invocator

Oct. 1st
Club Assembly – No Speaker
Tom Christensen – Greeter
Erv McMullen – Greeter
Russ Fujii – Tickets
Roger Andriess – Cashier
Don Delach – Invocator

Oct. 8th
Dist. Gov. Steve Lemmon – Speaker
Tim Armstrong – Greeter
Jane Gallagher – Greeter
Sandy Thompson – Tickets
James Woodside – Cashier

Oct. 15th
Joe Genshlea – Speaker
James Woodside – Greeter
Jane Gallagher – Greeter
Tim Armstrong – Tickets
Sandy Thompson – Cashier

left). President **Mark** offered no explanation as to why **Dick** and **Rich** were provided with honored seating. President **Mark**, after introducing himself (as if we could forget who he is), repeated, for the 12th time, PWR’s centennial term theme of “Great Pourers Doing Extraordinary Things While Drinking Beer” and the Rotary International theme of “Celebrate Rotarian High Life”.

Family Death: **Bob Tilly** announced sadly that **Dave Mrizek’s** mother has passed away. Our sincere condolences to **Dave** and his family.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Brewfest a HUGE Success!

Thanks for helping!

10th Annual California Brewers Festival

Membership Column



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Board of Directors Meetings

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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.

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The following individual was presented at the September board meeting for consideration as a prospective new member.

Eric Manning

Business: Tri Counties Bank
Classification: Banking – Commercial
Sponsor: Mike Cendro & Sandy Thompson

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.

Brewfest: The last set of Brewfest announcements featured former President **Drew "Brewster" Six Pack Houghton**, dressed in his normal attire of hat adorned with two beer holders and scary shorts. The female members of the club were heard tittering and mumbling something about "put it back on" about the former Sheriff of Chico State's famed and now defunct Pioneer Days. **Dan "Will Call" Hall** showed off his physique challenging the guvinator to come on out to see who the real girlie man is. Manpower subchair **Bob Porter**, who seemingly will have a hard time giving up his power bull horn, reminded members of their Saturday commitment...speaking of which leads us to the phenomenally successful **Brewfest** that had the freeway by old Sacramento rocking and rolling all day on Saturday. As Brewfest co-chair **Bud Ackerman** acknowledged, in a private interview on Saturday, that except for the fact that the saying "not a pot to piss in" took on some real meaning, the event was something to behold. Kudos to **Earl Dempsey, Bud,**

the subchairs and all of the members who pitched in to make this year's Brewfest a classic event!

Upcoming Cocktail Party: Put Saturday October 23 on your calendar for an upcoming PWR cocktail party, per bartender **Bob Halleck**.

Centennial Project: **Gary Hardesty** provided an update on the big PWR Centennial Project commencing in the middle of October. Head table honoree **Rich Graber** (maybe this was why he was sitting at the head table) has produced three or four renderings (I guess **Rich** cannot get it right) for the project. **Gary** also notes and gives thanks to the contributions of **Darryl Vasko, Don Rasberry, Dave Christenson, Cary Okamura, Peter Madsen, Roger Gilleland, Rich Graber, Bob Willett, Tim Armstrong, John Caselli, Geoff Simcoe, Kevin Valine, Tom Harvey, Carl Stein, Mark Copeland, Drew Houghton** who have also provided early helpful assistance with the project. Stay tuned for more.

Host Program: Host Program co-chair **Nancy Ferguson** announces that tutoring starts Monday September 20. The new school administration is very supportive of the program. Contact **Nancy** or **Walter Helm** for information. A number of tutoring slots still need members to step forward. **THE STUDENTS NEED YOU!**

Ambassadorial Scholar Program: Mom-in-waiting **Jennifer Curtsinger** proudly announced the awarding of a 5th scholarship of \$2,500 to a deserving student who will travel to Peru to study Latin (why didn't he go to the Vatican?).

Catching a Few Rays, Puffs and Strokes at Sunriver: Members **Paul Snyder, Bob Porter, Kerry Gordon, Tom Slagle, Russ**



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Dist5180 MAKE-Ups
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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

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

Fujii, Bob Tilly, Gary Gunther, Bud Phillips, Mike Cendro, Drew Houghton, Buzz Weisenfeld and Dave Abbott were singled out for tearing up the courses at Sunriver with a PWR golfing road trip. Oregon will never be the same! **Paul** evidently won all of the money, having refined the fine art of creative golf scoring. Each contributed \$10 to the PWR Foundation.

Houghton Humiliates PWR! Past President **Drew Houghton** added injury to insult. First the PWR Club, for an entire year, is required to publicly defend its decision to bestow the honor of the Presidency on **Drew**. Then, when **Drew** scored a hole in one by convincing Northridge Country Club to accept him as a member, he failed to mention that he owes his late life success to the Point West Rotary Club in his write up in the Northridge publication *The Acorn* (do you really want to belong to a club that calls its publication the Acorn and the accepts **Drew** as a member?). Although failing to mention PWR or that he graduated from Chico State, **Drew** did remember to mention that he loves bowling (evidently a life altering sporting experience for **Drew**).

Candy Dahl Beware! President **Mark** mentioned he is on the look out for member **Candy Dahl**. It is not yet known what PWR sin **Candy** committed, but there is a PWR warrant out for her arrest.

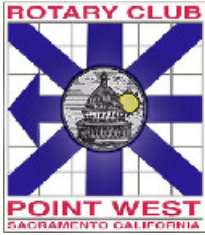
Two by Two. Members **Sue Redding** and **Dave Garese** continued the renewed tradition of the two by two introductions. **Sue** informed the club that **Dave**, a charter member of PWR, grew up in the Bay Area and attended college at Oregon State, where he met his future wife Sandy (who is active in Junior League and the theatre). **Dave** is proud of his two sons Rob, who is attending San Diego State and Barry, who graduated from Long Beach State and is involved in

film production and theatre (having recently performed in Camelot). **Dave**, is eagerly looking forward to reveling in his empty nest status with more travel on the horizon, perhaps to Italy to enjoy his favorite foods.

Dave then returned the favor, enlightening the club on **Sue**. **Sue** was born in Mexico City, moving to San Diego when she was 10. **Sue** is of Basque decent (for those members who are not in the Science Club, that means that her ancestors hailed from the Pyrenees Mountains, which straddle the Spanish-French border.) Does **Sue** speak Euskera, the ancient language of the Basques? **Sue** met her husband while still in High School. **Sue** and her high school sweetheart, **Roger** (who works for Turner Construction), chose Sacramento as their most recent home due to the state wide reputation of PWR. **Sue** has a daughter who is a teacher in Fresno and a second daughter who is attending UC San Diego. **Sue** was President of the Escondido Rotary club (which **Dave** discovered is not in Fresno County.) President **Mark** awarded **Sue** and **Dave** coveted Centennial Pins (which are not available in stores, but which **Dave Abbott** gives to every convicted felon who he sentences to 10 or more years (**Dave** says it's to inspire them to rehabilitate themselves)).

PWR fellowship begins at 7:00a.m. with the meeting beginning promptly at 7:15.

Important 2004-2005 Dates. President **Mark** saw to it that a summary sheet with all of the important dates in his term (e.g. his demotion party) was provided to all



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members. Get yours to make your calendar notations.

Guest Speaker: Member **Rich Fathy** introduced the guest speaker, **Bill Swettingham**. **Bill**, absent a flawed slide show (this is why **Bill** is in real estate), after throwing some well wishes to his friends in the audience (including **Monte Watson**, who appears to have followed in Bill Clinton's footsteps earlier in his life), tells the club about the status of the Sacramento office market and the forthcoming new downtown tower on lot A (which you too can rent space in for a mere \$3.00 a square foot).

Heating and Air Conditioning guru **Don Raspberry** walked off with the \$50 raffle and the meeting adjourned.

The Doubletree Hotel will be the site for the Rotary District Foundation Dinner on November 6th. Don't miss this one! Please contact **Dave Sarten** or **Larry Suddjian** for more information.

PRESIDENTIAL VISIT - The Rotary International President's Dinner will be held on Monday, January 3, 2005. District 5180 will host RI President **Glenn Estess** at the Hyatt Hotel in Sacramento. This unique event will be an "official" meeting for PWR as the previous Friday is dark in observance of the New Year's holiday. More details to come soon.

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