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Point West Rotary Pre-Election Celebration

SACRAMENTO, CA – The 21st meeting of the 20th term in the 20th year of the Rotary Club of Point West – Sacramento was gavelled to order by President **Mark Copeland** at precisely 7:18 A.M.

Patriot **Ken Morris** answered the call to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Maestro **Guy Heilman** lead a strong version of God Bless America.

John Lindow stepped up to the podium for the Thought for the Day and recounted a delightful story about the “7 Wonders of the World” as seen through the clear, untainted eyes of a child.

Following the introduction of guests President **Mark** introduced those seated at the Head Table. New members **Jerry Avila** and **Eric Manning** were on **Mark’s** right and **Don Jamison** and speaker **Jody Hornor** was on **Mark’s** right. Lastly, the Prez. Introduced himself and thanked everyone for being “Great People Doing Extraordinary Things” in addition to reminding the assembled of Rotary International’s 2004-05 theme – Celebrate Rotary.

Foundation Month: Naming names (which this column will not do) Foundation co-chair **Larry Suddjian** said to send in your check if you attended the Foundation dinner and have not yet paid. **Larry** said that thus far the PWR contributions tally \$5,000 plus and encouraged everyone in the membership to send in their checks to him for the RI Foundation. Rotary needs you. Do it today!

Centennial Project: **Gary Hardesty** commended the club members who have helped out the Centennial Construction Project thus far. He announced that “the end is near” or we are close to the end” or something like that. On De-

Upcoming Greeters, Tickets & Cashiers

- Dec. 3rd** **Election Meeting!**
Melinda Skorka – Speaker
Gary Woods – Greeter
Kevin Valine – Greeter
Ray Benetti – Tickets
John Bell – Cashier
Dave Garese – Invocator
- Dec. 10th** Rick Singer – Speaker
John Bell – Greeter
Kevin Valine – Greeter
Gary Woods – Tickets
Ray Benetti – Cashier
Roger Gaskin – Invocator
- Dec. 17th** Gary Wendell/Christmas Promise
Jamie Williams – Greeter
Karl Forste – Greeter
Don Delach – Tickets
Ed Goldkuhl – Cashier
Ed Goldkuhl – Invocator
- Dec. 24th** **NO MEETING**
MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!
- Dec. 31st** **NO MEETING**
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!
- Jan. 3rd** **SPECIAL MEETING**
RI President Glenn Estess
at the Hyatt!!!

ember 4th cabinets and windows will be installed. Your help is needed to finish this terrific project.

Upcoming Elections: Immediate Past President **Drew Houghton**, reminded everyone elections are right around the corner and to contact him ASAP if you need an absentee ballot. Drew also reminded everyone of the phenomenal slate of candidates: **Jennifer Curtsinger, Gary Hardesty, Al Howenstein, Dan Hall, Earl Dempsey, Bob Willett, Jr., Mike Cendro** and **Lou Fifer** for director and president-elect **Doug Weill**.



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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

- 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.

Call (916) 456-1500 to make an appointment and please ask them to credit our Point West Rotary Account #6656.

Membership “Comings” & “Goings”

In the “Comings” category are the following individuals who were presented at the November board meeting for consideration as prospective new members. Please make them welcome.

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Business: Farmers Insurance
Classification: Ins. Marketing & Service
Sponsors: Dave Garese & Gerry Reguera

Greg Garcia

Business: Foster Appraisal
Classification: Real Estate Appraisals
Sponsor: Bud Ackerman & Sandy Thompson

Ron Little

Business: Little & Associates
Classification: Real Estate Appraisals
Sponsor: Todd Murray & Scott Daulton

Please remember that membership is the life-blood of any organization. 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.

Encina Business Academy-Tour of Business:

Kirk Smith announced there has been a good response from the membership regarding the Encina Business Academy planned “Tour of Businesses.” **Kirk** said the students have selected the businesses they would like to tour. The tour will happen in two phases, one on November 30 and the other phase next February. Additional volunteers are still needed, specifically 9 drivers are needed. Please call **Kirk** if you can help out.

Anniversary Party: **Bob Porter**, reminded everyone to keep January 29 free on your calendar as PWR will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the club, and of the Kings being in Sacramento. The event will be a black tie affair at the Del Paso country club. Estimated cost will be \$150 per couple. Tax discounts are available if interested. If you are interested in helping out with the planning, give counselor **Bob** or **Todd Murray** a call.

RI Presidential Visit: President **Mark** reminded everyone of the upcoming January 3rd dinner with visiting Rotary International President **Glenn Estess**. The dinner will be at the Hyatt and will be \$45—contact Pres. **Mark** as only 50 seats are reserved for PWR so get yours soon.

Rotary Youth Exchange: **Dave Garese** encouraged everyone to get involved with this outstanding program that bridges the cultural gap between young people from around the globe. If you can help out please give **Dave** a call.

Salvation Army Bell-Ringers: **Scott Graham** announced that sign ups for bellringers will begin on Friday, Dec. 3rd. Don't miss your opportunity to “ring” in the holidays and support the worthwhile efforts of the Salvation Army.

Attendance Matters: **Candy “Attendance Mistress” Dahl** provided a very brief reminder regarding attendance.

2 By 2: **Tom Mischley** and **Don Jamison** provided some insight into each other's lives following their recent lunch date at the hipster singles spot Tokyo Fro's. First up, **Tom** told the members about **Don Jamison**. Tom confessed to being frightened to dine with a used car salesman but reevaluated his preconceived notions after their sushi experience. Seems **Tom** was impressed with



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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

Don's ability to stay happily married to the same woman for 35 years. Also, he was intrigued to learn **Don** enjoys studying comparative religions and has traveled to many continents.

Next up, **Don** told the assembled he learned that **Tom** hails from Alpina, MI and graduated from Detroit University. Upon graduation he wisely set his sights on the West Coast and moved to the Bay Area. As a CPA/MBA he worked in a variety of businesses using his skills. Following the dot bomb he downsized his way slightly east and moved to Sacramento where he plans to live happily ever after.

Bellringers (non-Salvation Army): First up to ring the bell was **Walter (Frommer) Helm** just back from a trip to Switzerland, France and Italy. **Walter** came bearing gifts for President **Mark** of chocolates and a piece of imported blue "glacier" ice.

Ray Benetti was next up to talk about his trip "down under". Seems he took a junket to Australia. **Ray** presented President **Mark** with a custom slightly used toothbrush and a new hat from his trip before ringing the bell.

Last up to the bell was **Kirk Smith**. Based on **Kirk's** gifts to Prez. **Mark** he appeared to have the wildest time of the three while he was on vacation. Prior to ringing the bell **Kirk** presented the Prez. with a "lost shaker of salt" and a cheeseburger in paradise salt and pepper shaker" from his binge in Key West.

Before turning over the microphone to **Don Jamison** to introduce the speaker **President Mark** prodded by **Hizzoner Dave Abbott** reminded everyone the Christmas Promise Meeting will be on December 17th. Please be

prepared to be a Santa this year if you can.

Guest Speaker: The day's speaker **Jody Horner** was ably introduced by **Don Jamison**. **Jody**, director of the Folsom/El Dorado County History Museum, spoke about the unknown history of the greater Sacramento area.

"**Three Card**" **Monte Watson** won the raffle and took home \$58 to play cards with over the weekend.

ROTARY on KVIE

KVIE will air the documentary "**The Last Child: The Global Race to End Polio**" during December. This is a great chance to learn more about the amazing work done by Rotarians all over the world for the benefit of all people to end this devastating childhood disease. Learn how PWR members' contributions have been applied through the Polio Eradication Campaign.

- Program will air:
- Dec. 13th at 10:00PM
 - Dec. 14th at 2:00PM
 - Dec. 17th at 11:00PM
 - Dec. 21st at 9:00PM
 - Dec. 22nd at 3:00PM