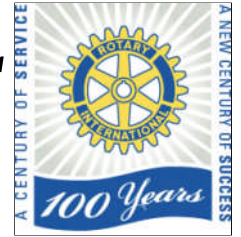




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FRIDAY the 13th Part VII

SACRAMENTO, CA, August 13, 2004 – President **Mark Copeland** commenced the seventh meeting of the 20th term of the Rotary Club of Point West—Sacramento precisely at 7:17.31 a.m., 2 minutes and 31 seconds late for those of you watching the clock.

Co-captain of the PWR Brewfest **Bud Ackerman** led the pledge and songfest leader **Guy Heilman**, maneuvered the assembled members through the verses of *My Country Tis of Thee*.

John Caselli, taking a page out of the sacrilegious text book of **Rick Bixler**, and best known for his childhood quote of “are we there yet”, commemorated his recent TV appearance by plagiarizing an invocation authored by the Beach Boys, who bless their hearts are still on tour (albeit while hook up to IVs), aka the *Surfing USA* lyrics.

After table introductions, President **Mark** introduced the occupiers of the head table, being **Bud Phillips** and softball team co-captain

Upcoming Greeters, Tickets & Cashiers

Aug. 20th Keith Slotter/FBI – Speaker
David Thimgan – Greeter
Richard Gallagher – Greeter
Bob Tilly – Tickets
Don Levin – Cashier
Beth Leonard – Invocator

Aug. 27th William Slaton/SMUD– Speaker
Russ Fujii – Greeter
Nancy Ferguson – Greeter
Chris Taylor – Tickets
James Thompson – Cashier
Dave Christenson - Invocator

Sept. 3rd Dr. JT Bushberg UC Davis
Speaker
Jim Thompson - Greeter
Nancy Ferguson - Greeter
Russ Fujii - Tickets
Chris Taylor - Cashier
John Corcoran - Invocator

Monte Watson, who was being honored for losing in the first round of the Rotary playoffs. Also at the head table were **Don Jamison** and speaker Congressman **Doug Ose**. President **Mark**, assumed that the club members cannot remember the term themes from week to week and proclaimed PWR’s centennial term theme of “some-what decent people doing good things” and the Rotary International theme of “celebrate beer”. Of course, **Mark** introduced himself as the Centennial Term President.

SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

Softball Team News: In softball news, the PWR No-names spotted the old guys of the Sacramento Club 13 runs in the first inning, figuring it was fair handicap considering their ages. PWR roared back with nine unanswered runs, but alas fell just short, losing 13 to 9 in the opening round

Sell Your Tickets!!!



Next Brewfest Committee Meeting

Monday, August 16th – 5:30p.m.

Wickland Oil Offices

3610 American River Dr., Ste.140

10th Annual California Brewers Festival
Saturday, Sept. 18th 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

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.

of the playoffs. **Monte Watson** was over-head stating that the sun was in the eyes of the PWR players during the first inning. Despite the official loss, **Monte Watson** proclaimed PWR the winner, having won 5 out of 6 innings. If PWR can win 8 of their last 2 games they still have a chance to seize the Greater Sacramento Rotarian Softball Championship Trophy.

Brewfest Update: Brewfest Co-Chair and Pledge point man **Bud Ackerman**, informed the members that they should pick up Brewfest tickets, posters and banners from **Kirk Smith**, at least when he returns from vacation. Pod sponsors are still needed for the event (a \$500 sponsorship buys you 10 tickets, coveted signage, an autographed copy of President **Mark's** Chico State thesis entitled *The History of the letter "Y"*). Thank yous were appropriately thrown in the direction of Brewfest T-shirt designer **Maria O'Neal** and new member **Jeff Rosa** for stepping up to the plate with pod sponsorships. We still need more! Keep your eyes out for the upcoming Sacramento Magazine ad announcing the Brewfest. Sweet **Candy Dahl** also needs additional help on the Brewfest judging to take place this next Saturday morning August 21 at the Sacramento Inn. Please call Candy if you can help out.

SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

Rotary Day at the Fair: This Friday, August 20 is Rotary Day at the fair. \$18.00 for adults, \$14.50 for children, includes lunch, Fair and Concert with Hootie & the Blowfish. You and your family can attend the rotary lunch at the Fair and get attendance credit. Call 443-1433 if you are interested.

Commencement of Host Program:

Commercial real estate showman **Walter Helm** announced the commencement of this year's Host Program and that member **Nancy Ferguson** is in charge. All members are officially on the list to assist with the program unless your 37-page application to be taken off of the assistance list is approved by President **Mark**. Call **Nancy** to volunteer for this very important club activity.

Rotary International PowerPoint History Lesson:

Taking a page out of President **Mark's** Chico State paper on the *History of Y*, members **Todd Murray** and **Randy Kilgore** proceed to offer editorial comment and narration to the stimulating and exciting RI historical power point presentation to the appreciative oooohhs and ahhhs of the membership. The enthralled club members, on the edges of their chairs, were fascinated to learn that Paul Harris still had color in his cheeks three months after his death and that there have been RI Presidents from 22 countries (although none who graduated from Chico State.)

Vocational Five Minutes:

Taking a page out of the Terminator's play book on how to raise funds without pissing off the taxpayers, **Mark** announced a new feature for our weekly meetings—live infomercials! For a mere \$600 an hour (a rate that only **Tom Knox** and **Todd "RI Historian" Murray** can get away with charging), you too can tell the club what you do when you are not working on club events. (**Tom Knocks**, was overheard trying to figure out (1) how he could possibly get up and talk for as little as 5 minutes and (2) how he could hide the \$50 vocational talk expense on his monthly expense reimbursement sheet at the Fair Political Practices Com-

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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

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

mission.) **Walter Helm** volunteered to be the first pitch man.

Walter, although born in the shadow of UC Berkley had the good sense to go to President **Mark's** alma mater Chico State, informed the club that he is the only member who is involved in commercial real estate sales. We also learned that **Walter** is one of a minority of brokers who will actually try to get their client's real property sold for the highest price v. the highest commission. **Walter** notes that Sacramento commercial real estate is now being bought and sold as part of a national market. See **Walter** when you want to unload your commercial real estate and see any of the club's lawyers if you want a real estate contract that will surely kill the real estate deal that **Walter** worked so hard to line up.

Foundation Contribution Matching

Program: President **Mark**, educated the club on the intricacies of the Foundation matching program. For every dollar you contribute to either the RI Foundation or the PWR Foundation, up to \$100, the club will match it with a 50 cent contribution. For those of you who did not obtain a business degree at Chico State like **Mark**, that means the club kicks in, and you get credit for, \$50 if you contribute \$100. Bell ringers do not count for the match.

Weill Rings the Bell Despite No Club

Matching: X-practicing attorney **Doug Weill**, announced he is appealing his Presidential Citation imposed last week, but that he accepted **Tom Knocks'** unauthorized offer to pay \$100 for the right to be fine free for the term. **Doug** rang the bell in honor of one, passing the club administrative tasks on to poor **George Daniels** and two, his son's first day of teaching elemen-

tary school in Rio Vista.

Fobes: **Bill Fobes** who was featured in an article in *Wine Country Living*, announced that he will donate some sort of event at his home/wine cellar as a fundraiser for the club. **Bill** and Prez. **Mark** will work out the details—more to come. Thanks for the generous contribution **Bill!**

Rotary License Plates: Using his Chico State education and building on his ability to explain the Foundation matching program, President **Mark** took on an explanation of the cost of portraying a rotary license decal on your auto license plate-- \$75 the first year and \$40 each year thereafter; unless you have a personalized license plate (such as **Dave Abbott's** plate "IAMDLAW"), in which case the first year is \$115.

"Triangle" Sieglitz: Although he did not attend Chico State, member **Robert Sieglitz** was honored for being one of the Science Club challenge award winners. **Robert** (who takes being a Sacramento resident seriously, having named his only son "Sutter"), donated \$20 to one of the Foundations.

SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

Guest Speaker: The Honorable Congressman **Doug Ose**, introduced by **Don Jamison**, informed the club that he is the only conservative to ever graduate from UC Bezerkly, as evidenced by the fact that he never saw a regulatory requirement that he liked. Congressman Ose commented on and fielded a number of questions from the audience, excluding Bob Tilly, on the spiking of gasoline prices, the Folsom dam road, development road blocks, affordable housing hurdles and other quality of life issues.



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Congressman **Doug** also noted that **Marty Haley** looks a lot like Newt Gingrich (**Marty** you are much better looking, lighter and wittier than Newt—but I think that Congressman **Ose** thought that he was paying you a compliment.)

**SELL! SELL! SELL!
BREWFEEST TICKETS!**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Miscellaneous Notes

SPONSOR A MEMBER

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.

CELEBRATE ROTARY!!! SAVE THE DATE!!!

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**.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

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