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Mark Copeland – FBI Agent (in Disguise)

SACRAMENTO, CA, August 20, 2004 – Secret Agent **Mark Copeland** began the Not So Top Secret meeting at 7:18AM with the deacon of construction, **Paul Cunha** leading the pledge. The distinguished **Guy Heilman** led the club in a nice rendition of *God Bless America*.

The always thoughtful **Beth Leonard** presented the Thought for the Day by talking about the importance of Happiness. She said that Gratitude is the secret to happiness and that we should all give to others and appreciate the great lives we are given. Nice job, **Beth!**

President **Mark** introduced the head table by presenting his good buddy (little did we know) FBI Special Agent **Keith Slotter** along with his introducer **Al Howenstein**. On the left side of the table were your talented and hard working newsletter editors (taking a day off for recognition) **Chris Little** and **John DiGiusto**.

Upcoming Greeters, Tickets & Cashiers

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

Sept. 3rd
Dr. Bushberg/UCDHS – Speaker
James Thompson – Greeter
Nancy Ferguson – Greeter
Bill McIntyre – Tickets
Chris Taylor – Cashier
John Corcoran – Invocator

Sept. 10th
Dr. Rich Callahan/USC – Speaker
Chris Taylor – Greeter
Nancy Ferguson – Greeter
James Thompson – Tickets
Bill McIntyre – Cashier
Paul Cunha – Invocator

Softball Team Report: Rich Graber announced that PWR was one of six teams in the Playoffs and that we soundly won the first playoff game on Thursday night. He then quietly confided that opponent did not show up for the game. **Rich** exuded confidence that PWR would win all of its remaining games under the same circumstances. Good Luck in the Playoffs!

SELL BREWFEST TICKETS!

Brewfest Update: Bearl (a.k.a. the dynamic co-chair duo of Bud and Earl) pointed out there are only 4 ½ weeks until the Brewfest. The Brewfest Committee is doing a great job of putting this huge event together, but **Bearl** needs the rest of the club to step up and sell tickets and sign up for Manpower. Manpower Co-Chair **Bob Porter** announced that set up will begin at the site in Old Sacramento at 7:00AM on September 18. This is a new site and a lot of people will be needed that morning to

Please Sell Your Tickets!!!



Next Brewfest Committee Meeting

Monday, August 30th – 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.

make it a success. **Bob** stated that the event will run from Noon until 7:00PM this year. There will be 3 shifts for Manpower. Please help **Bob** and **Kathy Copeland** by signing up for multiple shifts and don't forget to bring family members and friends to help out. **All workers this year will get Free Admission and Free T-Shirts**, so it's a no brainer! **Jane Gallagher** announced this was the last PWR meeting to order those great looking Polo Shirts (designed by the talented **Maria O'Neil**) so if you want one, call her now. **Bearl** reminded the collective to sign your companies up as Pod Sponsors (\$500.00) or Event Sponsors (up to \$10 Million) and to **Sell Tickets!!!**

The Beer Judging event will be held on August 21 (more to follow on that event masterfully organized by **Candy Dahl**).

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Club Secretary Report: Candy Dahl eloquently pointed out that there are now 2 Sign-up Sheets for us to sign each Friday morning. One is the regular sheet that has our name and gives us credit for attending the Friday morning meetings. The 2nd and **new** sheet is a sign-up sheet with separate columns to show that we attended various other meetings (such as Board Meetings, Brewfest Meetings, Rotary Make Ups, ETC.). Please sign both sheets if you have attended other meetings. Your guest newsletter editor thinks this is a great idea!

Membership: Judge Dave Abbott announced the winners of last term's Membership Drive. The team with the most new members read in will have the pleasure (?) of dining with now Past President **Drew** and **Judge Dave** at **Drew's** favorite hangout: the café at Rocklin Bowl. And the winner is: **Gary Guenther's** Team (with considerable

help from **Kerry Gordon**) with 3 new members read in. Congratulations and don't forget your Tums!

Judge Dave proudly announced that while many Rotary Clubs were declining in membership, **Point West Rotary had a 19% increase in membership last term**. Cudos to **Drew, Judge Dave and all the sponsors** for their hard work in this important area.

District 5180 Assistant Governor **Lynette Anderson** then followed with a timely presentation to **Mark** of an award for Point West Rotary for the **Highest Member Retention in District 5180** which was presented at a district membership seminar. **PP Drew** was slightly perturbed that **Mark** got the award instead of him (I don't blame him).

Fines: Mark happened to have in his possession a day timer (complete with a SD Deacon credit card) of our pledge leader **Paul Cunha**. **Paul** was fined \$5.00 to retrieve the day timer and then another \$5.00 for being a "Bone Head".

Jamie Williams rang the bell for being seen front and center in a picture of the **Loudest and Most Loyal Fans in the NBA** without his Rotary Pin.

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Gary Hardesty presented his case to **Judge Abbott** that **Tim Maliepaard** should be fined for dislocating **Gary's** shoulder in a water skiing incident. **Gary** pointed out that **Tim** was driving his **New Boat** on the Sacramento River while drinking and being distracted by the lovely **Rhonda**. **Tim** countered that **Gary** is just a "Lousy Skier" and that he felt bad, but it wasn't his fault. The Judge decided to fine

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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 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

them a 50/50 split on a Bell Ringer and sent them to Dry Dock.

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Golf Tournament: President Mark announced the Rotary Club of North Sacramento and 4 other district clubs are hosting a Golf Tournament on Friday, Sept. 10 at Teal Bend. The \$100 fee will help raise funds for their Centennial Project – the Oak Park Rotary House. This is a single family home where families can stay while their child is undergoing long term care at the Shriner's Hospital. A great project! If you would like to play, contact **Mark**.

Guest Speaker: Al Howenstein was actually stopped by our guest speaker because his introduction was so long, but he did manage to give us some interesting facts about **Keith Slotter – Special Agent in Charge** of the FBI in Sacramento and 34 California counties. **Keith** (who is also a CPA) has worked all over the United States for the FBI and has been voted by the CPA Review as one of the country's **100 most influential CPA's**.

Keith's introductory remarks were hilarious. He was set to speak in Las Vegas at a convention about fraud on the last day of the event at 3:00PM. He walked in and the room was empty, so as he was getting ready to leave and hit the gambling tables, one gentleman walked in and said he wanted to hear his speech. So **Keith** went ahead with his one hour presentation and received a standing ovation from the one guy in the audience. He was curious about this guy, so he asked him who he was and the guy said "I'm the four o'clock speaker".

Keith went on to tell us that there were a lot of changes in the FBI since 9/11 and that the FBI's #1 priority now is fighting terrorism. He went on to describe the difficulty in dealing with the Al Quida because

hate is their #1 motive, not greed like traditional enemies. **Keith** says that we are making good progress on winning the war against terrorism, but more work needs to be done. He says that the Al Quida is dis-jointed and on the run. He will consider it a success if there are no incidents before the fall election.

Charlene Drabant was the winner of the \$54.00 Raffle. Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

-Reported by Carl Naake

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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.