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EDITOR'S LICENSE

Well I missed my "self imposed" deadline hence you getting this a day later. Today's meeting started out a little on the "light side" with attendance but it did pick up a little. One can always rely on Ross to be late and bring up the numbers but today he was there on time, in fact a few minutes early. Not too many guests either, perhaps the vacation "season" is the reason. Notwithstanding we had Mark Grover (*Santa Clara*) with us again. Mark will be undergoing the "Rossetti/Corriea Mind Meld" here shortly. Mark is with Borel Bank in San Mateo and San Mateo to Santa Clara is a long way to go each week for a Rotary meeting. Ellen Gilbran-Hesse had her son David Maiman as her guest and Lily Ryan's guest was Nancy Wahba. Sharrie Kreiger is finally settling in with "us" after her year of isolation doing here Treasurer duties. Said it was most unusual to be sitting with people and having lunch. Well Mickaela now has her turn in "solitary" and so far is doing well. Good to see the "Ancient Mariner" Ralph Kirberg back with us after his jaunt to Hawaii in the TransPac Race. Ralph's comment was that "*it is a big ocean out there*". Good thing was they made it to Honolulu safe and sound. Finished 48 out of 70 overall but as one person commented about this event, "*it is not a race, it is an adventure*". Ralph will be bringing us a program about his trip so "stay tuned" for this one. Sorry to hear that Wayne Westphal has resigned, his new job location made it a little impractical for him to continue with us. Best of luck Wayne. Fining today was done by none other than "yours truly" and a "fine" job I did at that. Picked a few wallets, made a few bucks for the club and we all had some fun. And that is just the way it should be.

Monday August 11th, 2008



Just a few words this month from you president. Thank you to everyone for welcoming **District Governor Russ Ketron** at our meeting last week. I also want to thank the board

members and committee chairs that were able to attend the morning meeting with DG Russ. I hope you were inspired and encouraged by the words that DG Russ had to share with us. I encourage you to sign-up for the Family BBQ at Cline winery on Sept. 14. Cost is \$49 per person and there is also optional bus transportation available for an additional \$30 per person. For those of you who like to cook/bake and have a competitive spirit, there will be a hors d'oeuvres and dessert competition. There is also a raffle for many great prizes. Each Rotarian is encouraged to buy tickets or sell tickets to friends, relatives, and coworkers. Each ticket is \$10 and you will receive Paul Harris credit for each ticket you sell. **Fred West** will be heading up the ticket distribution/sales. Our own **Jim McGovern and Clare** will be hosting his annual BBQ on Sunday, Sept. 21. Look for more information to arrive in the mail soon. For those of you who love to cruise around the SF Bay, **Rick Chinn** from Millbrae Rotary is organizing a Peninsula Rotary Brunch on the Hornblower on Sunday, October 5. To sign up, please contact Rick at (650)573-0328 or e-mail millbraerotary@sbcglobal.net. There are a lot of club and district events coming up in the next few months, and I encourage you to check out the calendar on our club's website for all upcoming events at www.belmontrotary.com and the district website at www.rotary5150.org.

The Rotary Club of Belmont

Chartered May 29, 1959

**Meets every Monday 12:00pm at "The Vans", 815 Belmont Avenue, Belmont
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY**



The Olympic Torch!.....The Australian way:

I came across this article the other day and in light of the 2008 Olympic Games currently underway, I thought it amusing and so appropriate for the way Australians are. I have always acknowledged how "irreverent" we are and the most refreshing thing about that is, no one is "wound up too tight" as we always look for the humorous side of things which perhaps explains me and this Newsletter. In 1956 runners bore the Olympic flame across Australia, on a path from Cairns to Melbourne, where the summer games were to be held. But before the flame even got as far as Sydney, it had to endure a series of setbacks. Torrential rains soaked it. Burning heat almost overwhelmed the runners. The flame even went out a few times. Then in Sydney it encountered a situation unique in Olympic history. Cross-country champion Harry Dillon was scheduled to bear the flame into Sydney, where he would present it to the mayor, Pat Hills. After making a short speech, Hills would pass the flame along to another runner, Bert Button. Thirty-thousand people lined the streets of Sydney waiting for Dillon to arrive. Reporters stood ready with their cameras to record the historic occasion. Finally the runner appeared, bearing the flame aloft, and everyone began cheering. As the crowd pressed forward a police escort surrounded the runner in order to keep order. With this escort around him, the runner made his way through the streets all the way to the Sydney Town Hall. He bounded up the steps and handed the torch to the waiting mayor who graciously accepted it and turned to begin his prepared speech. Then someone whispered in the mayor's ear, "That's not the torch." Suddenly the mayor realized what he was holding. Held proudly in his hand was not the majestic Olympic flame. Instead he was gripping a wooden chair leg topped by a plum pudding can inside of which a pair of kerosene-soaked underpants was burning with a greasy flame. The mayor looked around for the runner, but the man had already disappeared, melting away into the surrounding crowd.



Bloody disrespectful bunch, aren't we?



Mary Lou was all excited when her number was drawn for the raffle....oops sorry Chief....the Marble Game. So, full of confidence and expectations, Mary Lou delved deeply into the bag looking for that elusive round black marble. No such luck huh! Mary Lou? As she sat down I think I heard he mumble something about "If it wasn't for bad luck, I wouldn't have any luck at all". Next time Mary Lou and just think, there is now one less marble in the bag.

Next Meeting: Monday August 18th at "The Vans"

Fines Next week: **Watts Fines 0825; Won Fines 09/08: John Rossetti Fines: 09/15 Ungun Program: Donna Baranski-Walker (Woodside/PV)& Monica Quinn - Rebuilding the Alliance**

Coming Programs:

August 25th: Anita Stangle (SF#2) -Alliance for Smiles

September 1st: Labor Day Holiday - NO MEETING

September 8th: Ellen Gilbran-Hesse, our new member "Getting the Kids Out of the House"

September 15th:

THE FOUR WAY TEST

1. IS IT THE TRUTH?

2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

3. WILL IT BUILD GOOD-WILL AND BETTER REALTIONSHP.

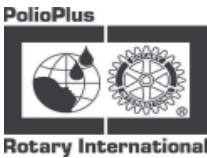
4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED



ROTARY FACTOIDS....All you wanted to know about Rotary but were too afraid to ask.

THE ROTARY ORGANIZATION.

Rotary exists in some 160 plus countries with over 30,000 clubs and 1.26 million members, obviously and organization of that size has some structure. Starting at the bottom all clubs are formed and operate in a District of which there are some 500 throughout the world that are administered by a District Governor. Each District is known by a number which in our case is District 5150 and comprises San Mateo, San Francisco and Marin Counties. We have 40 clubs, the newest being San Francisco Chinatown to be officially chartered this month and of course the oldest, San Francisco #2 which celebrates its Centennial this year. Most Districts are confined to their own country however there are many Districts throughout the world that encompass one, two even three or more other countries. District 9920 for instance also covers New Zealand, American Samoa, Cook Islands and French Polynesia. District 5010 in the United States as well as Alaska, includes Yukon Territory and Eastern Russia. Pity that poor District Governor who in doing club visitations in Russia travels through 11 different time zones. All Districts are then grouped in Zones which are also numbered, ours being Zone 23 which includes clubs in Northern California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and a portion of British Columbia. Each Zone is administered by a Rotarian who is also a Rotary International Director and every club in the world is part of Rotary International. Each year on July 1 the entire Rotary organization throughout the world changes leadership from the President of Rotary International right down to the Club Presidents. Rotary International has its headquarters in Evanston, Illinois and if you are ever in Chicago, take a trip out to Evanston and meet the people that help run our organization, They are all most gracious and hospitable, you can tour the building and see Paul Harris's original office that has been reconstructed there together with a lot of Rotary memorabilia and history. While Rotary is a volunteer organization the staff are all paid, extremely talented and qualified and when you think of the logistics of running such an organization I know from personally dealing with them over the years, they earn their money. Rotary also has additional administrative offices in Great Britain, Brazil, Argentina Europe, Japan, Korea, India and Australia. Rotary's "top" leadership comes from the Directors, all of who have served as a District Governor and on many of the various Committees in the Rotary structure. Some former Rotary International Presidents from our area include Stan McCaffery, Cliff Dochterman both from Moraga and Rick King, Niles. This year our President Dong Kurn Lee is from Korea. International Conventions are held each year anywhere between April and June. Locations are chosen many years in advance, this year our Convention was held in Los Angeles, next year it will be in Birmingham, England. All clubs throughout the world are autonomous however must operate within the by-laws of Rotary International. Clubs are free to create and have their own by-laws, however again they must not conflict with or contravene any. RI by-law.



Ralph doesn't look too bad at all, considering he has been on this boat, pitching and rolling for goodness knows how many days and nights. Perhaps 2200 or so nautical miles from San Francisco to Honolulu and he claims there was only one can of beer on the boat. Plenty of food but one can of beer?? How big was the can Ralph, 50 gallons??

SAMARITAN HOUSE
3rd Monday of every month
4:30 pm at Martin Luther King Center
August 18: Tippakorn, Kirberg September 15: Won, Ungun, Balestrieri



EVENT CALENDAR -Dates and events for the coming Rotary Year

August 13th, 2008 Board Meeting at Jim McGovern's Office
September 10, 2008 Board Meeting at Jim McGovern's Office
September 14, 2008 Rotary District Foundation Event-Cline Winery, Sonoma 12:00 noon-5:00pm
September 21, 2008 Belmont Rotary BBQ Jim & Clare McGovern's, 61 Camino Por Los Arboles, Atherton
October 8, 2008 Board Meeting at Jim McGovern's Office
November 8-11, 2008 Rotary Club of San Francisco #2 100th Anniversary Celebration Events- Details to be announced
November 12, 2008 Board Meeting at Jim McGovern's Office
December 10, 2008 Board Meeting at Jim McGovern's Office
January 26th 2009 Australia Day, Paid Public Holiday for Australians only
February 7th, 2009 Belmont Rotary Crab Feed, Twin Pines Senior Center, Belmont
March 6-9, 2009 PETS-President's Elect Training Seminar
March 28, 2009 District Assembly
April 17-19 2009 District Conference-Portola Hotel & Spa, Monterey
April 25, 2009 District Rotary at Work Day
May 16, 2009 District Major Donor Celebration
June 21-24, 2009 "Moon Over Birmingham" Rotary International Convention, Birmingham, England

TODAY'S MEETING *Reported by Joanna Reams....with "Editorial License"*

Jim was all excited because an Irishman won the PGA. Today the PGA, and according to Jim it's tomorrow the world. By the way he also claims that the Spanish Armada was wrecked off the coast of Ireland. Lucky "fines" today included **Ross** (but of course), **The Chief** (naturally) **Vince** just because he is now a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, along with **Patrick Smailey** who was up at Lake Tahoe attempting to improve the cash flow of his company. **Tom Diridon** also had a compelling need to contribute. **Charles** was recognized for his year of leadership last year. **Sophie** blamed some poor innocent baby for being late, something about babies are born on their schedule, not anyone else's. **Ellen** was "welcomed" to the club and the world of fines.

Our program today was presented by **Craig Rush** of **Horizon Energy Systems**. **Craig** gave us the low down on Solar Power and Solar Heating. Solar Power is electricity that is generated with Solar Panels from sunlight, whereas Solar Heat is the process the sun of heating water or any other suitable fluid in a Solar collector. Commonly used applications are for heating swimming pools or providing hot water. Solar Power provides electricity to the house and the excess power generated is "sold" back to the utility. The system can be designed where power generated offsets the power used and your utility bill is in effect "zeroed" out with the exception of a minimum billing charge. With rising utility costs and good tax breaks this is a good approach to help offset our energy crisis. I will let you all know how it goes as I am looking at installing a Solar Power system on my house

ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS

This is a networking opportunity for all Rotarians held every 1st Wednesday of the month. This is a chance to meet other Rotarians as well as give a two or three minute "quickie" presentation on your business and what you do. This is how Rotary started, businessmen "networking" to promote their business. Come and enjoy some great food and "a glass or two" \$10 cost 5:30pm to 7:00. RSVP dave@epcatering.com

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE APRIL 17-19 2009

Portola Hotel & Spa, Monterey

Sign up on the District Website <http://www.rotary5150.org/>

FINEMASTER SCHEDULE

August 18: Watts August 25: Won September 08: John Rossetti September 15: Ungun



ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE



OK You lot....listen up here, this is from your big loveable and cuddly Attendance Chair **James Edward McGovern**, however you can all call me "The Griz". I have been keeping a list and checking twice, to find out who's been, oh heck, wrong time of year for that now isn't it? Anyway having said all that you all really have been good with attendance, we were second in the whole District for attendance and if I can ever find out who it is that has prevented our club being 100% attendance....see those teeth there? Guess where the teeth marks will be left. Congratulations to all who are listed below for their efforts and achievement in maintaining attendance.

<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
Olcay Ungun	1
Sharolyn Kriger	2
Sirinee Tippakorn	2
Juli Balestrieri	2
Hank Corriea	4
Frank Ross	5
Charles McDonald	7
Vince Cirigliano	7
Nadine Farhat	10
Jean Cary	14
Loring DeMartini	16
Gretchen Ross	18
Mary Lou South	18

<u>ROTARIAN</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
George Paulsen	19
Ralph Kirberg	21
Paul Watts	22
Tom Diridon	23
Renato Piombi	25
Mike Telleen	30
The Guinea	31
Bob Paulus	33
Fred West	33
Ross Stangeland	35
Rudy Helin	37
"Griz" McGovern	44

Twenty-four members with perfect attendance. Fifty percent of active members. District Award 2nd place- WOW!!!

District Picnic and Rotary Foundation Fundraiser - Sunday September 14, 2008 Cline Winery, Sonoma.

Make plans to attend this fun event, Food, wine tasting at a wonderful locale with a picturesque Picnic Area. Bring the family and enjoy what will be a great event with great Rotary Fellowship. **\$49** gets you in the front door. Under 5, **free** 5 - 18, **\$15**. You can sign up on line, pay by Credit Card or check through Pay Pal. Go to the District website <http://www.rotary5150.org/> and it is easy. There is also the **Foundation Raffle**. \$10 per ticket and every dollar will go to your Paul Harris. The club will also match your contribution with Paul Harris recognition points "dollar for dollar". There will be two major prizes of a one week stay at a time share in Mexico (air fare is NOT included). Two night stay at the new Vellagio Resort and Spa in Yountville and Dinner for two at the Meadowood Country Club. as well as many smaller prizes, dinners, B & B stays etc. See me for your tickets, me being **Fred West**, not **Freddie** the dog.





MEMBER INFORMATION PAGE

"He Profits Most who Serves Best"

REMEMBER
Someone took
the time to share
Rotary with you,
you are obli-
gated to share
Rotary with
someone else.

Sponsor a new
member

<i>Name</i>	<i>Classification</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Spouse S/O</i>	<i>Member Since</i>
Aho, Fay		Superior Auto Body	Issa	2000
Balestrieri, Juli	Auto Body Repair	BioCentury Publications		2004
Barnes, Sophia		Sophia Barnes Therapeutic Massage		2006
Bauer, Dave	Therapeutic Massage	Bauer Financial Services	Liz	1984
Carlson, Bill	Employee Benefits	Carlson Financial Advisors	Jean	1995
Cary, Jean	Financial Planner	Jean Cary Interiors	Allen	1994
Cirigliano, Vince	Interior Decorator	Borel Financial Services	Marilyn	1996
Corriea, Hank	Mortgage Broker	Rossetti & Corriea	Mickie	1978
DeMartini, Loring	Window Coverings	The Van's	Adele	1992
Diridon, Tom	Food & Beverage	Carlmont Associates	Eda	1983
Farhat, Nadine	Real Estate	Bank of theWest	Jay	1997
Freschet, Maureen	Banking	Notre Dame de Namur		2000
Gilbran-Hesse, Ellen	University Administration	Ellen Gilbran-Hessey, Attorney		2008
Good, Mickaela	Attorney	Carlson Financial Advisors	Cesar Osario	2006
Helin, Rudy	Financial Planning	Cashin & Co	Joan	1971
Kirberg, Ralph	Real Estate	Kirberg Associates	Lisa	1968
Kruger, Sharrie	Foreign Auto Repair	Carlmont Gardens		2006
Levan, Kerry	Skilled Nursing	Ward-Tek, Inc.	Carol	2007
Lynch, Brian	Building Contractor	Mollie Stones	Laura	2001
Mattei, Don	Retail Groceries	Belmont Police Department		
McDonald, Charles	Police Administration	Charles McDonald DDS	Gina	1997
McGovern, Jim	Dentistry	James E. McGovern, Inc.	Clare	1964
Paulsen, George	Insurance	Hood & Strong LLP	Janet Noeller	1988
Pettinelli, Dennis	Accounting-CPA	Dennis Pettinelli & Associates	Cindy	1984
Pettinelli, Jon	Estate Planning	Dennis Pettinelli & Associates		2006
Piombi, Renato	Marketing		Lolly	1983
Reams, Joanna	Wine Cellars	Merry Moppet-Belmont Oaks	Dennis	2007
Ross, Frank	Education	Retired	Gretchen	2001
Ross, Gretchen	Hardware	Retired	Frank	1990
Rossetti, Gail	School, Principal	Rossetti Realty	John	1994
Rossetti, Jim	Real Estate Sales/Financing		Sandra	2008
Rossetti, John	Mortgage Broker	Rossetti & Corriea	Gayle	1977
Ryan, Lily	Window Coverings	The Wellness Company	Mike	2007
Singh, Barbara	Independant Marketing			
Smailey, Patrick		Adventura, Inc	Barbara	1995
Sooy, Richard	Property Management		Cherie	1990
South, Mary Lou	Transportation/Other	Paradigm Health Care LP		1990
Stanculescu, Alec	Long Term Care	Fintronic, Inc		2001
Stangeland, Ross	Software Engineer	Ross Stangeland DDS	Diane	1971
Telleen, Michael	Dentistry	Carr, McLellan, Ingersoll	Christine	1978
Tiegel, Ralph	Business Law	Tiegel Manufacturing	Officer	1984
Tippakorn, Sirinee	Equipment Manufacturing	Edward Jones	Ben Hsu	2006
Ungun, Olcay	Investments	Entek Controls	Zeynep	2007
Watts, Paul	Electronic Controls	Winn Financial		2002
West, Fred	Mortgage Broker	Marble West	Annette	1975
Won, Wes	Marble & Stone Restoration	Gilead Sciences, Inc	Dorothy	2006
Zeigler, George	Environmental Health & Safety	Life member	Caroline	1959
	Dentist-Retired			

Rotary Links.

Belmont Rotary <http://www.belmontrotary.com/>

District 5150 <http://www.rotary5150.org/>

Rotary International <http://www.rotary.org>

DID YOU MISS OUR MEETING.....WE CERTAINLY MISSED YOU

Regular attendance at Rotary is important to you and us. By attending regularly you are able to participate and stay up with everything that is happening within your club as well as Rotary. Fellowship is one of the primary benefits of Rotary and regular attendance enables you to get the most of this benefit. If you miss a meeting you can “make up” at another Club and here again is another benefit of your Rotary membership. Making up at other clubs, especially those in other countries is a truly remarkable experience, again proving that in Rotary “there are no strangers, only friends you haven’t met. Apart from all that miss a Belmont meeting and you are at the peril of “The Griz”

MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY	Burlingame	Sheraton Gateway, Burlingame
12:00 Noon	Central Marin San Rafael	Left Bank, Larkspur Sheraton Four Points Hotel, San Rafael
TUESDAY	Novato Sunrise	Moylan’s Brewery, Novato
7:15am	Pacifica	Sharp Pak Golf Course, Pacifica
	Peninsula Sunrise	Pete’s Harbor, Redwood City
	SF Greater Mission	Double Play, San Francisco
	San Rafael Harbor	The Whistle Stop, San Rafael
12:00 Noon	Millbrae	Terrace Cafe, El Rancho Inn, Millbrae
	Mill Valley	Mill Valley Golf Club, Mill Valley
	Redwood City	Sequoia Yacht Club, Redwood City
	San Francisco #2	Olympic Club, San Francisco
	Terra Linda	Sheraton Four Points Hotel, San Rafael
6:00pm	Marin Evening	McMinnis Park Golf Club, San Rafael
WEDNESDAY	Marin Sunrise	Corte Madera Inn, Corte Madera
7:15am	SF Bayview	Bonanza Restaurant, San Francisco
	SF West	Lakeside Cafe, San Francisco
	Woodside Portola Valley	Woodside Village Church, Woodside
12:00 Noon	West Marin	USCG Point Reyes Station, Point Reyes
	Daly City	Marie Callendar’s, Daly City
	Foster City	Crowne Plaza, Foster City
	Menlo Park	Menlo Park Rec Center, Menlo Park
	Ross Valley	Deer Park Villa, Fairfax
	San Bruno	Terrace Cafe, El Rancho Inn, Millbrae
	SF Chinatown	Tommy Toy’s San Francisco
	Tiburon-Belvedere	SF Yacht Club, Tiburon
	SFO	Firewood Cafe, International Terminal SFO
THURSDAY		Franciscan Restaurant, Fisherman’s Wharf
7:15am	SF Fisherman’s Wharf	
12:00 Noon	Half Moon Bay	United Methodisr Chruch, Half Moon Bay
	Ignacio	Inn Marin, Ignacio
	Mission San Rafael	San Rafael Joe’s, San Rafael
	San Mateo	Poplar Creek Golf Course, San Mateo
	Sausalito	Alta Mira Hotel, Sausalito
	South San Francisco	Basque Cultural Center, South San Francisco
6:00pm	SF Golden Gate	Pachamamal Restaurant, San Francisco
	Tiburon Sunset	SF Yacht Club, Tiburon
FRIDAY	San Mateo Sunrise	Poplar Creek Golf Course, San Mateo
7:15am		
12:00 Noon	Novato	Margaret Todd Senior Center, Novato
	San Carlos	Piaceri’s, San Carlos

MAKE UP NOTES
We don’t want to call them rules, how about “guidelines” ?

To qualify for a missed meeting makeup there are a number of situations that will work.

- Attend any Rotary Club meeting (anywhere in the world) within in 14 calendar days, either before or after your regular Club meeting.
- Attend your Club’s Board Meeting or any other Club related function such as Club Committee meeting, an Interact or Rotaract meeting and that does not necessarily mean your Club’s Interact or Rotaract, it could be any club’s.
- Attend a District function such as an Assembly, Conference, Seminar, Committee meeting.
- Attend an International Convention.
- Attend a community related function or meeting as a “principal” participant, such as a City Council Meeting as a member of the Council, City Manager, Police or Fire Chief, School Board Trustee or County Supervisor.
- Actively participate in a Club Community function as a “working” participant such as the Club’s Crab Feed, helping on an International Community Service project as in collating, loading, inventorying the medical supplies etc, that we periodically send to South America.
- Working on any Rotary related functions such as a GSE Team Leader, Polio Plus, Rotary Volunteers, Rotaplast, Rotavision.
- If a regular Club meeting is cancelled and no substitute event is scheduled in place of, such as the Installation Dinner or any other event designated by the Board of Directors, no make up is required.

CLUBS SHOWN IN BLUE DENOTE PENINSULA MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

Mail your MAKE UPS to P.O. Box 448, Belmont CA, 94002

Do not mess with this guy

