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Monday January 26, 2009



We had a packed meeting today both with attendance and agenda. Queen Julianna gave the bell and almighty whack, Vern Heller figured out which side his heart was on and led us in the pledge and can you believe this is the last meeting for the month of January? Juli announced our "slate" for the 2009-10 year. Dave Bauer President, Sirinee Tippakorn Secretary, Joanna Reams, Treasurer and Shari Kriger, President-Elect. Talk about a "power group" there. Our By Laws state that next week we call for any nominations from the floor and if there are none we vote on that slate. If there are any, we vote the

following week.

Visitors this week were guests of the Club Ramesh Karmath and Pratibha Karmeth who live in San Carlos so close to Belmont that technically they belong to us. Ramesh is the Senior Director for Corporate Engineering with Genentech. Our other guest was Karen Silva who is an Event Planner and Floral Designer. Jim McGovern brought along daughter Sylvia McGovern the new owner of James E. McGovern, Inc.



Speaking of James. E today was his birthday and Ellen did some catch up with the November, December and January birthdays and we did the usual horrible rendition of Happy Birthday to Patrick Smailey, John Rossetti, Jon Pettinelli, Mickaela Good, George Pauls, Fay Aho, Hank Corriea, Mike Telleen and of course the aforementioned James E.

We also had a visit from NDNU Rotaract thanking us for our donation to the Adopt-a-Family program that they have been so successful with. And just in time for Valentine's Day they will be at the Club this coming Monday to sell some chocolates. So bring your money, make points at home and help our Rotaract Club. Considering their school study "load" they do a great job with Rotaract and always have a plan to support themselves before they come and ask for our support. They are raising money to fund two students in Nepal and as a point of clarification the students are Nepalese and live there, it is not two students being sent to Nepal.



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**



OUR MEETING TODAY



Sirinee reminded us all that it was also the start of Chinese New Year today, so Gung Hay Fat Choy, you all. Then again really the most important thing about January 26 is that it is **Australia Day**. This is the day Australia became a Colony, not just a Penal Colony but a proper Colony. Up until that point in time King George had been dumping all these Irish criminals on us along with a bunch of his own miscreants. Must confess I have seen the manifests of the penal ships and the name West appears on quite a few different ships so I guess there is a crook or two in my background. One thing the Aussies and the Irish have in common, we are not too crazy about The Queen.

On the "ailing list" this week is **Jeannie Cary** who has had a bout of pneumonia however we know she will be up and running on February 4th 2:30pm at Belmont City Hall where we will be presenting a check for \$5000 as well as **Woodside/Portola Valley** will also present a check for \$2000 to **Genoa Connections** to finance the beta testing of the device to help blind and sight impaired people have better mobility with "surrogate eyes". This is a wonderful project and has received some good publicity on TV both on Channel 5 and Good Morning America. Belmont Rotary are being trailblazers with this one. Also check out page 6 for an update of the Christmas Gifts for the Vets at the Palo Ato VA Hospital that Jeannie out together for the Club

Gretchen reported that **Ralph Kirberg** had delivered all the dictionaries to our local schools. Great job there **Ralph**.

Speaking of **Ralph** (who admitted he does not or did not read the Newsletter) he was most surprised to find out he was the Finemaster for the day and considering he had to perform "off the cuff" did a rather good job of picking some pockets.

Mark was the "unlucky" winner of the Marble Game (almost said raffle there.... sorry Chief)

Tom Diridon in what was a definite surprise presented me with a **John Mills Award** as a remembrance to my mother and I was very honored and appreciative of the gesture, thank you to all who participated and contributed. My mother was quite fond of **John** and I suspect she even understood some of his jokes in fact he is probably telling her his latest now.



Our Birthday Boys and Gals

Next Meeting: Monday February 2, 2009 at "The Vans"

Fines Next week: 02/02: **Kriger** 02/09: **Lynch** 02/16 : **NO MEETING** 02/23: **Mattei**

Coming Programs: 02/02: **Anne LeClair-San Mateo Rotary and SM Convention Visitors Bureau**
02/09: **Dave Bennett-San Mateo Rotary and owner MOLLIE STONES**
02/16: **No Meeting PRESIDENT'S DAY**
02/23: **Daniel Ulyoy MD- BLUE SHIELD TECHNOLOGY PANEL**



RIPE John Kenny Announces 2009-10 Presidential Theme

RI President-elect John Kenny unveiled the theme, The Future of Rotary Is in Your Hands, on Monday during the opening plenary session of the International Assembly , an annual training event in San Diego for incoming district governors.

Bill Gates Announces Additional \$255 Million Grant for Polio

The Gates Foundation has awarded Rotary a \$255 million challenge grant bringing their total grants to date to \$355 million. Rotary will match this grant with \$100 million raised by its members and supporters over the next three years. This is in addition to the \$100 million Rotary committed to match The Gates Foundations' initial \$100 million contribution. As a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, Rotary's chief role is fundraising, advocacy and mobilizing volunteers. The announcement came during the R.I. Assembly in San Diego Jan 21st.

Rotary Youth Exchange Students Shot -2 killed 7 injured

Sad to report that a Rotary Youth Exchange Student from Peru was shot and killed along with another outgoing Youth Exchange student in Happy Valley Oregon. This was a random shooting in which 7 other students were injured. The incident took place outside an "Under 21 Nightclub" where they had been celebrating one of their groups birthday. The 24 year old gunman then shot himself and is in hospital in critical condition

Documentary on polio eradication receives Oscar nod

In a week when Rotary International and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation announced millions more in funding toward polio eradication, a short documentary film, The Final Inch , received an Academy Award nomination on 22 January for its intimate look at the massive mission to rid the world of the crippling disease.

Nominated in the documentary short subject category, The Final Inch , a 38-minute film commissioned by the philanthropic division of Google, chronicles the challenges health organizations and governments face during the final stages of polio eradication.

Director and producer Irene Taylor Brodsky captured workers immunizing children in the poorest slums of India and Pakistan in 2007. In several scenes Rotarians were filmed working during a National Immunization Day on 22 April. Led by M.S. Jain, past governor of District 3100, NID volunteers administer polio vaccination drops to children in Meerut Samrat, Uttar Pradesh, India.



TODAY'S PROGRAM



Program Chair Mike Telleen introduced Burlingame Rotarian Rabbi Jay Miller of the Peninsula Clergy Network a group comprised of local clergy of all faiths encompassing 440 clergy and 310 congregations. Formed six years ago to bring all clergy together as a professional group they provide interaction between clergy and civic leaders within the communities they both serve. The group does not advocate or urge a particular faith, seek religious solutions to community or secular issues. Instead they provide a framework and the relationships for fostering awareness, understanding and community engagement. The key to PCN's success is their creation of a data base unique to the country, of the Peninsula's clergy and congregations.

Some of their ongoing initiatives include Regional Dialogues, Clergy Education, and support of city based clergy associations. Their initiatives enhance the tone of religious tolerance, access to the faith sector by community partners. clergy effectiveness and satisfaction.

Their core projects include education focusing on congregational parent engagement, natural disaster and community crises preparedness and response. Diversity training in multi faith awareness and clergy leadership seminars.



So that I may assist President Obama and one of his objectives to "stimulate" the economy I have applied for a \$10 million bailout

As soon as I receive the \$10 million, I am bailing out



EVENT CALENDAR -Dates and events for the coming Rotary Year

- 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



Interact at
Carlmont
High School

Belmont's "Christmas Project" for the Veterans at the Palo Alto VA Hospital



"Project Director" and "Head Guru"
Jeannie Cary wraps gifts for the Vets



NDNU Rotaract members wrote gift cards to go with the "goodies"



Lily and her "Christmas Sleigh"
loaded and ready to do her "rounds"



Lily and Juli wrapping gifts



"Ranger" the Pet Therapy dog. Now
how could you not feel better with this
guy.giving you therapy?

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

February 02: Kriger Feb 09: Lynch Feb 16; NO MEETING Feb 23: Mattei



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

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