People In Charge this Week

Presiding ...........................................Pam Raumer
Director.............................................Nestor Karas
Team Captain ...............................Karen Horrigan
Meeting Setup.........................Christy DeVoe
Greeter.............................Neeru Bhutani
Ticket Sales...........Hari Boukis (not here)

Thought/Pledge................Bruce Johnson
Song Leader..........................Lu Hughes
Guest Intro & Mic……….Clint Collier
Birthdays................................. Anniversaries.......................Clint Collier
Speaker Intro.......................Pam Raumer
Meeting Take-Down…...Christy DeVoe

Today’s Program:
Donna Bedford, the Path to Effective Leadership

Upcoming Meetings:
2007-10-30 Tom Kendrick -- Sea Urchin Diver
2007-11-06 Gordon Fischer and Layton Hansen -- Foundation Day
2007-11-13 Bill Killips -- Medicare Issues
2007-11-20 Zak Sahar -- Effective accounting is a key component of successful businesses
2007-11-27 Danielle Schafer -- Home Ownership Accelerator

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Today's Song: “Hail to the Chief”
Hail to the Chief we have chosen for the Noon Club
Hail to the Chief! We salute her, one and all.
Hail to the Chief, as we pledge co-operation
In proud fulfillment of a great, noble call.

Her's is the aim to make this Noon Club grander,
This we will do, that's our strong, firm belief.
Hail to the one we selected as commander,
Hail to the President! Hail to the Chief!

Recognitions
Brian Yeh announced that they are expecting their second child in December. Brian is on an extended assignment requiring him to travel Mon-Wed, so his visits to our Club will be limited for awhile.

289 dictionaries are on their way to us for personalization during today’s meeting and then delivery to 4th graders in the Walnut Creek school system.

Club Jackets
Don’t get cold while working on a Rotary service project. Buy a Club jacket. $40 (most sizes) $42.50 (XXL and above). Order yours now from Karen Horrigan 925-943-2208, karenh@rotarywc.org.

Thanks to our Russian Real Estate Delegation Hosts and Helpers
A big thanks to key organizers, Gill Bordenave and Rem Barnard, and to the following Rotarians, spouses, associates, and friends who helped host the visiting delegation of Russian Real Estate professionals:
Jesse Snyers, Property Appraisal; Louis Ramirez-Argudelo, Oakhurst Properties, Property Appraisal; Brenda Goodrich - Property Management and Residential “Staging”; Rem Barnard - Legal Aspects of Real Estate; Gary Pokorny - City Government, Planning; Jeff Disch, Past President Rotary Club of San Ramon, County Manager Stuart Title - Title and Escrow Procedures, Lunch and a meeting location; Scott Ferguson, Orinda Rotary, Managing Broker Pacific Union Real Estate Orinda - Residential Real Estate and Office Management; Judith Myers, Real Estate Broker, RE/MAX CC Connection, - Business Development; Robert Decker, Broker and the owners of RE/MAX CC Connection Real Estate, for providing a meeting location for several segments and lunch; Joe Perkins, Executive Director, Home Builders Association of Northern California - Residential Development and Construction Tour; Jamie Greer, Regional Franchise Director, RE/MAX INTERNATIONAL, Denver, Colorado - Franchising and Development of Real Estate Offices; Clark Wallace, Past President, National Association of Realtors, California Assoc. of Realtors, Contra Costa Assoc. of Realtors - Overview of Real Estate in the U.S.; Sheireen Diaz, Executive Vice President, Contra Costa Assoc. of Realtors - Real Estate Associations and Multiple Listing Operations; David Ashburn, Loan Officer, Countrywide Home Loans - Real Estate Financing; Kataya Lobastowa and Kathrine Volkova, Prudential California Real Estate Agents - Russian Speaking Agents participated in some of the presentations.
Special thanks to the home hosts: Jerry and Christine Benoit, Clint and Bev Collier, Marty and Nancy Larson, Louis and Tiffany Ramirez-Argudelo, Owen and Ruth Murray of the Clayton Club, to drivers: Rem Barnard, Kim Brodhead, Clint Collier, Lauren Kraus, Bob Romero, Jesse Snyers and Owen and Ruth Murray; to social hosts Mitch Ambroz, Christy DeVoe, Layton Hansen, Bahram Shahmardan, and Oscar Wu; to special contributors Barry Slavin (home host orientation meeting place), Gill Bordenave (business hosts meeting place), and Clint Collier (boat for fleet week sail outing, and lunch provider); and to very special contributors Russ Anderson/Lehmers (15 passenger van) and Adrian and Joan Mendes (hosts for party and tree planting ceremony).

Thank yous for the I-House Agricultural Tour October 6th
Despite an unfortunate 2 ½ hour delay in the tour bus arrival, the annual agricultural tour of Eastern Contra Costa County for UC Berkeley I-House students was a good day. 30 attendees (including several Rotary Peace Scholars) and a few hosts from the Club enjoyed an abbreviated visit to several sites, including lunch at Roddy Ranch. Thanks to Jack Fischer, Tom Noble, Adrian Mendes, Jerry Benoit, Fletch Tyler, and Bahram Shahmardan for their efforts.

Are You Ready for Crab? Our Crab Feed Fundraiser is Sat, Feb 2, 2008
It is only 4 months until the 10th annual crab feed on Saturday, February 2, 2008. Now is the time to start making those contacts for auction items, for both live and silent auctions. Step up to the plate and volunteer for committee chair or to be a member of a committee.
The committees are: Ticket Sales, Silent Auction, Live Auction, Registration, Bar, Raffle Tickets, Corporate Sponsors, Kitchen, Reverse Draw, Desserts on Display and check out.
Contact Layton Hansen laytonh@rotarywc.org or 925-686-5148 to sign up for a committee chair or other position.

Rotary Online Meeting Makeup Directions
Try making up a missed meeting by visiting a Rotary e-Club site. You will learn about Rotary projects and Rotarians around the world. Open your web browser and go to http://www.rotary.org/RIDocuments/en_pdf/eclub_list.pdf. It will open up a .pdf file with links to several E-Club web pages from around the world.

Membership Activity
Be sure to welcome our new members, Lauren M. and James B. Caldwell-Bancker, Classification “Real Estate”; Jane Diritto, Diritto Bros VW-Saab-Nissan, Classification “Auto Retail-Retired”; Brenda Goodrich, Goodrich Ad Valorem Property Tax Services, Classification “Property Tax Consulting”; and Desi Benedetto, an estate planning attorney with the Family Trust Law Center.

Inviting a Prospective Member to Join Us for Lunch
Here’s how it works. You invite your prospect to a Club lunch meeting. You pay the prospect’s lunch tab for the first visit. The prospect can visit two more times, and the Club will pay the cost. If the prospect joins, the Club also will reimburse you for the first lunch. See page 38 of this month’s Rotary Magazine for a great introduction to Rotary projects to introduce prospective members to the Rotary world.

Upcoming Club Meetings:
- Rotary Club of Danville, Sycamore Valley is planning another trip to Monterrey, Mexico, to deliver wheelchairs. Cost is $1,459 (or $890 “land only”). For info on either tour, contact Bradford R. Howard, District Governor, 2002/2003, Rotary District 5170, 516 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610, Phone: (510) 834-2260, FAX: (510) 834-1019 E-mail: BHoward@HowardTours.net

Reno Train Trip, January 13-14
Sign up now with Randy Walker to go on the annual East Bay Rotary Reno Inter-City Train Trip. Lodging will be in the East Wing at Harrah’s, $265 per person single occupancy. We already have 18 members going, and we have room for more.

Annual District Conference April 25-26, 2008
On April 25-26, 2008, the annual District Conference will be held at the Sacramento Radisson Hotel. You won't want to miss the paddle boat races and the prospect “daze, Rotary fellowship at its best!”

District 5170 has organized a tour for up to 100 persons to work on the West Africa Project Fair (WAPF) and National Immunization Days (NIDs) in Nigeria, Nov 10-20. And the Rotary Club of Danville/Sycamore Valley is planning another trip to Monterrey, Mexico, to deliver wheelchairs. Cost is $1,459 (or $890 “land only”). For info on either tour, contact Bradford R. Howard, District Governor, 2002/2003, Rotary District 5170, 516 Grand Avenue, Oakland, CA 94610, Phone: (510) 834-2260, FAX: (510) 834-1019 E-mail: BHoward@HowardTours.net

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