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Upcoming Meetings:

2007-10-16 J.J. Phair -- WC Rotary Oktoberfest E.J. Phair Brewery www.ejphair.com
2007-10-23 Donna Bedford -- The Path to Effective Leadership
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 -- Systems?
2007-11-06 Zak Sahar --

For the latest “scoop” on upcoming meeting programs, visit our website and click on the link on the home page: www.rotarywc.org

People In Charge this Week

Presiding ......................Pam Raumer
Director ....................Nestor Karas
Team Captain ..............Karen Horrigan
Meeting Setup ............Christy DeVoe
Greeter ......................Nestor Karas
Ticket Sales ................Lee Schneider
Thought/Pledge ..........Nestor Karas
Song Leader ...............Lu Hughes
Visitor Intro & Mic ......Rick Mathews
Birthdays ...................Anniversaries
Speaker Intro ..............Rem Barnard
Meeting Take-Down ....Christy DeVoe

Today’s Program:

We Welcome our Visiting Delegation of Real Estate Professionals from Russia

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Song Leader ................Lu Hughes
Visitor Intro & Mic ......Rick Mathews
Birthdays ...................Anniversaries
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Announcements:

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.

Music Trivia (courtesy of Rick Mathews, Morgan Stanley, from the Touchstone Investments newsletter)

Marc Cohen’s “Walking In Memphis” was the first single for Cohn, who was discovered by Carly Simon. He won the 1991 Grammy for Best New Artist. Cohn wrote this after seeing an Al Green sermon in Memphis. It is a journey to be baptized in the world of Blues music.

“Walking with my feet ten feet off of Beale” refers to Beale Street in Memphis. Riley B. King became known as the “Beale Street Blues Boy” shortly after he first arrived in Memphis. Later, the nickname was shortened to B.B.

“Muriel plays piano every Friday at The Hollywood” is a reference to a local artist who played at the Hollywood Cafe, which is a small diner/music joint in Tunica County, MS. Muriel has passed away, but The Hollywood is still there.

“W.C. Handy won’t you look down over me...” refers to the Memphis blues legend. His most famous recording is “St. Louis Blues,” he also recorded “Beale Street Blues”. & “Memphis Blues.” There is a statue in his honor in Memphis.

“Put on my Blue Suede Shoes and bearded a plane” is not a reference to Elvis, but about Carl Perkins, who recorded the song “Blue Suede Shoes” in Memphis for Sam Phillips at Sun Records. Perkins’ car wreck stopped him from touring to promote the record, allowing Elvis’ cover version to become a big hit.

“Saw the ghost of Elvis up on Union Avenue” Sam Phillips’ studios were at 706 Union Avenue. Elvis’ start on the journey to fame and fortune (i.e. Graceland) is usually attributed to the success of “Blue Suede Shoes” - and that of “Heartbreak Hotel.

“Followed him up to gates of Graceland and I watched him walk right through, now security they did not see him...” is a story (rumor) that Bruce Springsteen early in his career successfully scaled the wall at Graceland, trying to deliver a song he wrote.

Membership Activity

Be sure to welcome our new members, Lauren M. Kraus, Coldwell Banker, 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 Dess Benedetto, an estate planning attorney with the Family Trust Law Center.

 Invite 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: Plan to attend these Club meetings and invite at guest!

Rotary Trip to Nigeria for National Immunization Day Nov 10-20 2007

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 prospector "daze, Rotary fellowship at its best!