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Today's Meeting

President Gary Wegener called the meeting to order and asked Jason Smith to lead us in the salute to our Flag. Mark Werum led us in Rotary Grace.

Visiting Rotarians/Guests /

We had no visiting Rotarians. Mike Chandler once again introduced



Jennifer Ward.

Announcements

President Gary thanked Gary Bunch for meals on wheels. He also thanked Peter Holmes and Roy Holmes for set up.

Gary announced a short Board meeting after next week's regular meeting.

Kris Kristensen reported that Gary Wirth had a set back with more fluid in his abdomen. He unfortunately had to return to the UC Med Center.

President Gary received a nice thank you letter from the school district thanking us for the \$5,000 donation to Cache Creek High School.

We need a host family for the Columbian exchange student for the first three months. The prospective host family is leaving the area for this time period is leaving the area. If we can't find one, the student will have to go to the Bay Area most likely. Lynn Jepsen of the Sunrise Club is the coordinator.

Dick Hoppin reported all slots are filled except for the Saturday night 7:30 to 11:00 shift. I think somebody did volunteer during the meeting. In any event if you show up on time for your shift, you get a free raffle ticket.

Kris Kristensen and President Gary presented Tony Delevati with a plaque thanking him for his years, and I mean years, of service as our treasurer. We gave Tony a well deserved standing ovation. He has worked all our auctions tirelessly. Now maybe he can enjoy one for a change.

George Berrettoni wants to give everybody a heads up that he will need 5 or 6 volunteer bartenders for the Sunrise Club's Salmon Dinner on October 1st.



Birthdays and Anniversaries This turned out to be Tony Delevati's day. He turned 57 on June 14th. He also had an anniversary on July 18th and has been married to Margie for 35 years. Tony rang the bell for his anniversary and rang the bell again, thanking all.

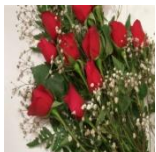
Jim McGibbon was born June 24, 1941 in Manitoba.

Dan Stroski celebrated his 40th anniversary (July 18th) with Ginny in Florida, and was

60 on July 23rd.

Brian Lin celebrated his 14th anniversary, which was July 5th, with his better half, Jae,

in San Diego.



Recognition Chuck Maltese was given a brief time to lighten our wallets. He immediately fined retired travel agent Steve Venables because the Malaysian Airliner has still not been found. Only a \$4 fine.

Chuck thought Gary Wegerner's bell ringing was wimpy, so he fined Kris Kristensen for not properly teaching him how to do it. Kris says he taught him to strike lightly so as not to break it.

Dan Stroski and Bob Moeller were fined for having personal "street" signs at their homes.

Frank Gardner was fined for missing by 38 seconds the longest thank you, last week, ever seen at a Rotary Club meeting. It was all we could do to keep Frank somewhat quiet this week.

Chuck misread the Splinter and thought George Berrettoni had voted against him for Endowment Board member. George was fined anyway even though he broke his tradition and made the vote unanimous.

Chuck's pearl of wisdom, "Women are never childless if they have a husband."

Thankful time:

Mark Werum was proud of his wife winning first place at the State Fair for a quilt.

Craig Miyamoto was happy to announce the Junior National Golf Championships will be at Del Paso Country Club next week.

I confessed that I hadn't listened to my wife, who warned I would screw up my neck with the way I sit and watch television or read, but I was happy Christian Sherrill is such a good chiropractor that my neck

is healing and everything he does was ratified by two doctors after they grilled me on what his course of treatment was at a recent dinner party. Christian also paid.

Christy Hayes reminded us about Dinner on Main Street, September 18th (www.woodlandsdinneronmain.com). Tickets are \$125 per person and half are gone already.

Jim McGibbon had a nice vacation in the Poconos (Northwest New York).

Gary Wegener is happy he is half way through new flooring in his house.

Tony Delevati paid again for a week in Squaw Valley. After his surgery he came back to work for a week and a half and then went on vacation for a week.

Finally, as Chuck was about to get the hook, he said he is “pissed off” about the conventions and fined everybody who watched any part, \$5.



Rags to Riches I said this was Tony Delevati's day, but he only won a free lunch.



Today's Program President, Gary Wegener, hosted our Club Assembly. Gary reviewed the visioning/assessment process we did at the last Assembly last October. The survey we did is on the website in the Member's only area. There were 6 votes for supporting Interact. We used to have a community Interact club made up of students from both high schools. This Club folded. The Luna Vista and Sunrise Clubs have started one at Pioneer High. We are trying to start one at Woodland High. Tim Pettit is our rep and he needs assistance.

There were 7 votes to improve the Christmas (Holiday) Party. It is our year to host. Gary asked how we felt about last year's party. There were many complaints about the food from last year's caterer. There seems support to have a band to play after dinner so that it is more of a “party”. Christy Hayes suggested not having it on the first Friday of December because there is much activity downtown on First Fridays.

There were eight votes for the quarterly social events. We have had a good start this year. Kevin Haarberg suggested increasing enthusiasm in the promotion and by having them on Tuesday evenings, rather than Thursday evenings.

There were 13 votes to improve lunches and this has occurred (although Haarberg may disagree).

There were 19 votes for increased emphasis on membership, especially younger members.

Welcome Dillon Dougherty and soon Jennifer Ward. Mike Chandler reminded us that membership is our responsibility and he has a form out every week on the tables to suggest a new member and urged us to use the form to propose a new member so that person can be checked before bringing him or her to meetings. We currently have 68 members. Gary's goal is 75.

There were 20 votes for improved use of social media. Not much work has been done in this area, although we have the best Club website in town and perhaps in the District.

Gary discussed our budget, which is \$28,000 to \$30,000 per year. We currently have a reserve of \$65,000, which Gary would like to reduce to about \$30,000. This means we have funds, plus our Auction proceeds, for a project or projects.

Gary said his goal for the Foundation this year was \$9,500 from the members. We are usually around \$10,000 each year. A \$100 donation, Sustaining Member, is only \$2 per week. The slogan is "Every Rotarian Every Year", meaning a \$100 donation from every member each year. He put forth the idea of increasing lunch cost \$2, with the increase going towards the \$100. Mark Ullrich suggested adding a box on dues so members can get it done up front if they so desire.

Gary also wants to focus on contributions to our Endowment so that we can possibly increase scholarship amounts and/or add a third high school. The earnings from the Endowment fund two \$6,000 scholarships, one for a student from each public high school, payable over 4 years. Peter Holmes suggested giving more recognition for donations. There is the "Faye Fellowship" if you donate (it can be over time) \$2,000. Perhaps the amount should be lowered.

The discussion could have gone on for hours, but time ran out.

Upcoming Programs Next week we have Stacy Contreras to discuss the bone marrow registry. August 9th, we have Tracy Fauver of Yolo CASA.

Annual Events

Upcoming Programs

Officers/Directors

Where to Make Up Roster