

# The ACORN



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## Greetings From The Editor ~

You don't want to miss the recap of the Rowe's visit to India in this week's ACORN! How inspirational, Fred & Alice!



## Visiting Rotarians

- Bill Tobin – El Dorado Hills
- Sherie Tobin – El Dorado Hills

## June 2012 CALENDAR

## Guests

- Vickie Walter (Keith's Wife)
- Jinhee Kim (Bill Stapelfield's wife)
- Tommy Ruzzier
- Patricia Barnes
- Maddy Wells
- Nicolai Nissen
- Bonnie McClain (pending Associate Member Applicant)

## A Special Member was here!!

**Beverly Mark** joined our meeting and we all appreciate it!!!

Did you miss a meeting? Go to [www.rotary5180.net](http://www.rotary5180.net) and click on **club locator** for make up locations.

Can't physically make it? Make it up on-line at [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org)



	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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	4	5	6	7	8	9 8:30-12 Public Relations & Literacy Seminar
10	11 Fred & Alice Rowe – Trip to India	12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16
17 Father's Day!	18	19	20 Board Joint Mtg w/food @ 6:30 pm Steve Hoverman's	21 First Day of Summer!	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Demotion Festivities 5:30 PM



## Rotary Club of Fair Oaks

Chartered January 1946  
Club Number 0525

VISIT US ON THE INTERNET AT:  
[www.rotaryfairoaks.org](http://www.rotaryfairoaks.org)

We meet Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Fair Oaks Clubhouse, 7997 California (at Temescal)

## THE OBJECTIVE OF ROTARY

The objective of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

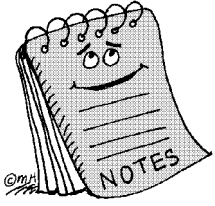
**FIRST** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND** High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**THIRD** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**FOURTH** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## MEETING NOTES



- ☞ The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 PM.
- ☞ Joe Horyza led The **Pledge of Allegiance**
- ☞ A lovely song was sung (with guitar accompaniment by Pete Schroeder)
- ☞ **Bill Stapelfeld** read a quotation by the Dali Lama. It mentioned in a heartfelt manner that if you want others to be happy, practice compassion. And for that matter, if YOU want to be happy, to practice compassion. Well said!
- ☞ **VOCATIONAL MINUTE John Brothers** reminded us that we should all pick a project or two to do! “Sign up, show up, and make a difference!” he said.

## SUNSHINE REPORT

**Blaine Lamb** is doing “all right” but would appreciate your calls and/or a visit!  
Also, there is an illness in the **Alberts** family – No Youth Meeting this week!



## CLUB BUSINESS

- ☞ **The District Literacy Seminar** was on Saturday, June 9. **A BIG Thank You** to **Bruce Hagel & Debra Price** for hosting this meeting!
  - **Bruce Vincent** discussed Public Relations and the use of Social Media in our society.
  - **Alice Rowe** talked about membership into the **Ignite Program** – the details will be announced.
- ☞ **Bill Tobin** – from the **El Dorado Hills Chapter** - discussed **Shelter Box**, an international disaster relief charity that delivers emergency shelter, warmth and dignity to people affected by disaster worldwide. There are **Green boxes** are located at **Lumber Liquidators** stores, and Bill has asked us to please help by hitting the “Like” button on their Facebook Page.
- ☞ **On Saturday, June 23**, there will be the **District Simplify Grant Seminar Workshop**
- ☞ **On Monday July 30**, the **SaveMart Governor’s Cup (Golf) Fundraiser** will be held at Valley High Country Club in Elk Grove. Cost is \$150 per person.
- ☞ **JULY is the Rotary International Foundation “Double Points Bonus Month!!!” So...** that means **\$100** by credit card online = **200 points!!!!**

## LITTLE GENIUS CORNER

*Fines to those who supplied certain Relay-For-Life Donations:*

Water Cup – Pete Schroeder: \$10  
Coffee Cup – Dan Smallhouse: \$5  
2 Baseball Caps – Mike Maddox: \$10; Carsen Smith \$5

..and **Pete Schroeder** for playing the “**Tootsie Wootsie**” Song!

- ☹ **Ahem!** – **someone** paid last week’s fine of \$50 in what appears to be at the Bangkok exchange rate! (Turns out to be roughly \$1.66...)
- ☹ Fine to **Carsen Smith** saying that the Little Genius marked her as “Out to Lunch!”
- ☹ What? Fred Rowe ditched the **Shelterbox** for a baseball game!



## LITTLE GENIUS CORNER – Continued!



### HAPPY FINES TO.....

**Maggie Hoy** – she had a GREAT weekend with friends and went to the Shelterbox!!!

**Fred Rowe** – went to a baseball game with his kids but the Giants played POORLY!!!

**Peter Romines**...for 33 years of marital bliss!

**Anne Browning** – her daughter got married and we survived!

**Alice Rowe** – she had a great weekend with her High School friends!



**Bruce Vincent** – BV had 9 academic valedictorians! That means they had *STRAIGHT A's* all four years of High School – WOW!!!

**Beth Wilcoxon** – 10 people attended literacy meeting; District 3-in-1 with 9 attendees!

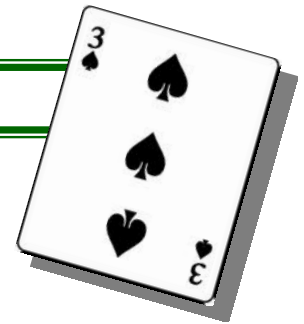
**Jim Cralle** – Gave awards out at Laguette and Northridge!

**Bruce Hagel** (a two-fer) – it's his Birthday.....and his son returned from the Peace Corps (he volunteers in the Ukraine!)

## DRAWINGS

**Free Meal:** **Lloyd Hinkelman**

**Ace of Spades:** **Warren McWilliams drew and now we have \$190 in the pot!**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 🕒 **Saturday, June 30** – The day that Peter has had on his calendar for a couple of years! **Demotion Party** at Peter Romines' house! Festivities begin at 5:30 PM!
- 🕒 **June 23 - "A Taste of New Orleans"** – see **Fred Rowe** or **Russ Rheames**
- 🕒 The **Demotion Dinner** is planned for Saturday, 6/30/12. All who would like to attend please RSVP **Fred Rowe!**
- 🕒 **The Actual Demotion Meeting!** Monday's Meeting on July 2.
- 🕒 **Enrico**, our **RYE Student from Italy**, is coming for a visit and would like to see everyone!! Pete and Karen would like to have a barbecue on the weekend of **July 8** or **July 15**. Please let them know which weekend and which day (Saturday or Sunday) would be best for you!
- 🕒 **July 14** – Fair Oaks Park & Rec – **"It's My Park Day"** from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM; BBQ afterwards. **We need at least 10 volunteers!**
- 🕒 On August 11, 2012, there will be the **ACS's "Relay For Life."** Please start collecting pledges or donations from family and friends! Please plan to participate by walking for one hour. For details, please speak to **Maggie Hoy!**
- 🕒 **August 17-19 Fair Oaks Rotary Club Camping Trip at Lake Francis Resort** - Contact Maggie Hoy for details! [www.lakefrancisrv.com](http://www.lakefrancisrv.com)
- 🕒 **Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup>** – *The first meeting for the 2012-13 year.....*

**GUEST SPEAKERS – Fred Rowe & Alice Rowe**  
**National Immunization Day – India: “Our Valentine’s Day Adventure”**

### Global Polio Eradication Initiative

**Rotary International** - partnering with the CDC, UNICEF and WHO - have undertaken the daunting task to eradicate polio completely. Part of this initiative includes raising funding for medical supplies and obtaining the manpower for its implementation. Because of this humanitarian effort, the Global Polio Eradication Initiative has raised more 5 Billion dollars towards this cause (1.2B from Rotary International) and over 2 million children have been vaccinated.

From February 19-21, Rotarians from all over visited India to assist with the Country’s **“National Immunization Day”** – an effort to eradicate polio completely. Because of the Rotary’s efforts – as well as other organizations – India has only had one reported case of polio in 2011. Compare that to 1978, when India had 200,000 cases. Fred & Alice signed up at the International Convention in New Orleans and then received a confirmation email giving them only 6 weeks’ notice!



### A Few Facts

India is only 1/3 the size of the United States, but holds 4 times the population. It is considered to be the world’s second fastest growing economy; however, over 50% of the nation’s population is considered illiterate.

Polio is an abstract concept in the US, but the Rowes witnessed many people suffering from the long-term effects of this disease. Polio is only transmitted human to human via fecal matter, orally exposed. Polio is most commonly found in children under 5 years old, if they have survived that long. Remember – victims internationally do not get the treatment like in the US.

Statistically, if 200 individuals were infected with the polio virus, 185 would not show any symptoms, 14 would show “flu-like” symptoms, and 1 person would actually be paralyzed from it.

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#### Political Issues

Muslim leaders originally believed that immunization as a concept was a “hate-driven persecution campaign” to sterilize Muslims. Muslim Rotary International members met with leaders personally, and now the Muslim communities support the immunization movement. Now, for 3 days twice a year, 172 million individuals are vaccinated at each event. In addition, 210 million houses are visited, and 8 million people are “in transit” receiving the vaccination. Some areas have 10 events per year! YES! Rotarians are making this happen!!! The Indian Rotarians were extremely energizing to the other Volunteers – and vice versa!!!



#### Team Members & The Trip

The fantastic and selfless people who made up the team came in many shapes and sizes. There were two 85-year olds and two father-son sets! From District 5180, we had 3 people (but the 3<sup>rd</sup> was a Dodgers fan...and a Cowboys fan!) Whether they were Rotarians or not, all helpers wore the Rotarian Yellow Vests!

The trip itself lasted 7 days. This included travel time, sightseeing (of course!) other touristy-type things such as tours of the facilities, different areas, hospitals and clinics, and 2-3 days devoted to **National Immunization Day**. *Here's the breakdown:*

- Day 1: Assisted with children at a fixed location
- Day 2: “Mop up” – going from house to house looking for children
- Day 3: 2<sup>nd</sup> “Mop Up” house to house sweep.



#### Who Gets Inoculated?

This wonderful opportunity to receive an important vaccine did not come without its challenges. But unlike the US-required hurdles, parents were not present, may have been deceased, and consent forms did not need to be signed. Inoculations are not as effective in children with chronic diarrhea, since it does not stay long in their system. Ideally, the younger the child, the more he/she would benefit from the inoculation. To distinguish those that had received a dose, volunteers painted the child’s fingernail with a purple marker, which would stay on the nail until it grew out. Alice was able to inoculate a 6 week old baby!!! Bear in mind that once a person is infected, there is no cure. The infection goes away (the individual doesn’t remain contagious), but the damage is done and is permanent. Thankfully, there is no harm to “re-immunize.”



“We Are This Close – But We’re Not Done!”

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**THE FOUR WAY TEST**

**Of the things we think, say or do:**

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?**
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**