

Arden Arcade

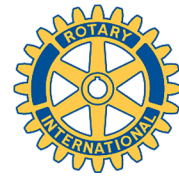
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Going Away **Party** for Jeri Petersen! June 4th, 6pm, held at Carroll and Karen Cook's home at 2807 Rockwell Drive in Davis. If your invite hasn't arrived, call Carroll Cook to RSVP. Spouses or significant others are welcome. Michael Caplan says Carroll is pulling out all the stops for a wonderful feast of Tapas and Paella. Cocktails at 6, dinner at 7. Michael says Carroll and Karen's backyard is amazing and will provide a wonderful spot for a great time!

CAR SHOW—on June 14th, Arden Arcade Rotary will sponsor a car show in front of Ruth Chris at our regular meeting—cars start at 11:00. We'll have hamburgers and hot dogs and show off some members amazing cars as well as invited friend's cars. George Prather is rumored to be bringing his 1550 horsepower, rear engine dragster! Steve has a friend bringing a 1903 Oldsmobile. Sounds like a lot of other very interesting cars will be there too! The show is free, lunch will be charged for members and guests!

On June 25th at Al Cady's abode (3510 Dutch Way, Carmichael) TACOS, TABLES & TRASH, the **Demotion** of President Steve Turner will take place. More details to come— save the date!

Happy Bucks: Cathy Skeen gave Happy Bucks for finding a parking place—where is everyone? A thank you from one of the scholarship recipients was passed around. Her grandfather was a Rotarian with 53 years perfect attendance!

Fireside Chats are being organized at members homes. It is mandatory members attend one of them. The dates are: May 24th, 6pm at Cathy Skeen's home...2003 Fox Hollow Lane (Arden Oaks); June 8th at Al Cady's home ...3510 Dutch Way, Carmichael; and a June 22nd at Patt McCormick's home...1120 Commons Drive (Campus Commons.) This is an important meeting for every member to attend to help Paul organize his presidential year.

Prez Steve admitted that he finally found out that Club Runner (our web page) has an email list that anyone can use. You need to be able to sign on to Club Runner to do it, call Steve or Danny if you do not know how.

Danny announced the beginning of soft ball is June 6th. Games are either at 6-7-8 or 6:30-7:30-8:30 (to be voted on.) The players are also voting on if



Steve Turner,
Club President

Paul King, Vice
President, Presi-
dent Elect

Stuart Nelson, Secretary

Christine Hock, Treasurer

Tom Goode, Controller

Past President, Joel Archer

Joe Green, Membership

Matt Ross, Public Relations

Jeri Petersen, Arden Arcade Foundation

Matt Ross, RI Foundation

Cathy Skeen, Club Events

Tim Martin, Community Service

Mike Caplan, International Service

Al Cady, Sergeant at Arms

Paul King, Rotary House,

Paula James, Youth Programs

Patt McCormick, Newsletter Editor

Attendance: Jed Van Wagner

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RAFFLE

\$396.00 Up for Grabs

1. **\$157.00**—Tim Cahill had the ticket but didn't pull the ace.
2. **\$239.00**—Mike Grace had the ticket but didn't pull the ace.



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there should be a run limit. Once the schedule information is available, there will be printed schedule cards available. Ours is a combo club team (members from more than our club) but anyone who wants to can join the team.

Roy Vogel announced that he is leaving this week to fly to La Paz, Mexico, to bring his boat back to San Diego. Al Cady is joining him for part of the trip. Roy says his \$400 winnings from last weeks raffle will buy about a third of a tank of fuel. He became a **Bell Ringer!**

CLUB ASSEMBLY

An update on what we've done this year!

The District Conference this past weekend was great. Michael McQueen was the keynote speaker talking about ways to keep Rotary relevant. He talked about companies that have gone away and asked the question what is the next generation looking for? He told the story of Legos who almost went out of business 12 years ago but looked into why their product was not relevant and found kids were into video games. Lego began making video games and now has evolved into a stronger more current company.

He talked about how Rotary needs to evolve to meet the needs of younger members. How do we engage them and keep them engaged? At our club level, Prez Steve suggested we have about half of our members on each side of the 50 year old mark. What changes are necessary to have our club continue it's successful path. He mentioned that there are clubs in our District down to 8 and 9 members. Next year's District Governor is Barbara Tracy and the District Conference is May 5-7 in Santa Clara.

We also received an award for "**The Best Club Lunch.**"

The mention of this award brought up the committee looking into moving our meeting place. We also discussed how paying quarterly has been a benefit to Christine and Tom by being easier bookkeeping, but we are still subsidizing lunches regularly from club funds due to the lack of consistent attendance. Danny questioned weather the quarterly payment pushed some members away. But he also acknowledged that it may have "weeded" them out. Steve mentioned there is great value in a great meeting venue. Attendance is the key.

Mike Grace mentioned that he was having the Rotary Van washed before it's trip to the conference at Pavilions Car Wash and Lawrence Olson (used to be in Point West Rotary) gave him 20 free car washes to help keep it clean. There are several clubs looking into doing what we did by buying the van and partnering with the Park District to use it to transport children to and from programs they would not otherwise be able to attend. Danny spoke up and said what a great addition it has been to the programs at Swanston Park.

Prez Steve gave a run down of where our budget is. Everyone thanked Christine and Tom for their hard work—and as Tom said—especially Christine! In assets we have around \$350,000. The Foundation account is approximately \$150,000, the Ray McClure Scholarship Fund is approximately \$135,000, the Club checking is approximately \$12,000, and the Foundation checking is approximately \$49,000.

Matt Ross talked about the 3 pots of money in Rotary: 1) Club funds—dues, lunches, operational funds. 2) Arden Arcade Foundation—money to use for our projects and scholarships. 3) RI Foundation—over our 61 years, Arden Arcade has given over \$875,000 to the International Foundation. This money then comes back to the District and we have made good use of it for the Tech Room at Encina and for the Rotary Van most recently. We are an **Every Rotarian Every Year Club**. 80% of our members are Paul Harris Fellows. You can even schedule your RI Foundation donation as an automatic monthly contribution. We also have **13 Major Donors**—those contributing over \$10,000. Matt listed them as: Lee Burkhouse, Carroll Cook, Dave Dahmen, Carolyn Ewing, John Gabriel, Gary Johnson, Peter Panton, Steve Parshall, George Prather, Sheila Romero, Howard Stagg, Bruce Stimson, Roy Vogel. A sustaining member is \$250 a year.

Rotary House is our long-term Centennial Project combining 7 clubs to build and maintain a home for a family with a critically ill child in the hospital. Paul King with Prez Steve’s help, has chaired it for 3 years and now Phil Kocycz with Danny Curtola’s help will take over.

We currently have 52 active and 12 honorary members. Some members have taken leaves of absence and never returned. We need to have a policy of when to drop them from the rolls.

It has been a great year and **together we have done great things!**

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

May 31st NO MEETING.—*Dark week scheduled for Memorial Day Weekend.*

June 7th Our Meetings presenter is “penciled in” as a secret VIP kind of visit.

June 14th This is our **Clubs Car Show!** Lets bring in all the cool cars and toys we have to show and share this California Centric Car Culture with our fellow members and visitors. We will be in the parking lot and frontage road. Ruth Chris is doing up a special Car Show BBQ menu for us.

June 21st Our Meetings presenter is scheduled to be John Wheat, the Director of Airports for Sacramento County. John will be talking about the investment and flight services that have been helping make our Sacramento Valley a stronger economic power in California.

June 28th Our Meetings presenter is scheduled to be Chief Brian Estes of Cal Fire. Deputy Chief Estes runs the Amador Eldorado Unit of Cal Fire and will be giving us an overview of our State’s wildfire problem, a little bit of the past wildfire world, and what our current solutions are looking like.



Mike Grace and Bill Hambrick
Receiving special pins from
Blood Source for their dona-



Carroll Cook



Tim Cahill NOT winning