



Roto News

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Happy Valentine's Day

President Rena was at the podium, pretty in pink for Valentine's Day. She welcomed us to meeting #25, wishing us Love and Good Earth.

Gary Creott was called to the podium to lead us in prayer and he told us he wished his wife Gloria was as happy to see him as we were. He also said he understands, after all she has been married to him for all these years. He led us in a seriously long prayer, after which Rena Kay asked him if he was sure he wasn't a lawyer.

After the pledge, Bruce Keith led us in song. He apologized for the previous couple of weeks, since he has been fighting a cold and said he would try to do better today. Funny thing is, he sounds better sick than some of us when we are well.

Rena Kay thanked the head table, Bob Parker, Melinda Westfahl and Tony Ansolabehere. The reception table, Phil Franey and Amanda Frank, and the sole greeter, Jose Pereyra. David Coffee was supposed to be a greeter, but he was a no-show. Rena Kay added him to her list of people that need to be fined. She is also open to any other forms of punishment.

We had two visiting Rotarians from the Breakfast Club, Sandy Magley and

Kay Pitts. We had one visitor, Ray Scott from Keep Bakersfield Beautiful, who let us know that April 23rd is Great American Cleanup Day.

Rena Kay also thanked the Charter Night Committee, for doing such a great job. If you missed it Charter Night was lovely.

Rotarians celebrating Birthdays included Phil Franey, on the 5th, who had a nice dinner at Woolgrower. Bob Parker's was on the 7th and he told Madam Prez that he "Partied his Ass Off", and Jose Pereyra's was on Valentine's Day. He told us that the day was all about him. Greg Braun's wife Ann also celebrated a Birthday on the 12th.

Wedding Anniversaries included, Madam President and Richard, who celebrated 15 years on the 3rd, Johnson and Dian Jung who celebrated 31 years on the 9th and Jose and Gracie Pereyra who celebrated 33 years on the 16th.

February 1st must be a good day to join Rotary, we had several club anniversaries that day. Kelly Giblin, 22 years, Johnson Jung, 37 years, Wayne Kress, 30 years and Tom Larwood, 50 years. Tony Ansolabehere informed Rena Kay that she forgot him, he also came in the club on the 1st. She let him know if the mishap was his fault or hers. Baynes Bank and Aaron Markovits

both came in the club 6 years ago on the 12th.

Rena Kay reminded us that Thursday, March 10th is the 7 Club meeting, (we will be Dark on the 1th) and she is still looking for singers. The Ethics Conference is March 15th, we have enough volunteers, but if you are interested in being an alternate see Steve Richardson.

The Super Bowl Pool winners were announced, Sandi Schwartz' daughter-in-law won the first quarter, Steve Gibbs the second and his secretary, Christy Phillips won the third. The final winner was Bruce Keith! Congratulations to you all!

No one had anything to pay the pig for, but Rena Kay did call on Gary Creott to ask about his reading assignment. He was totally unaware he had an assignment, so I guess he doesn't read the Roto-news either. Rena fined him \$25, but Gary told her he would pay \$50.

Rena Kay called Quon Louey up to the podium where he was given a stuffed monkey in honor of the Chinese New Year. In Honor of Valentine's Day, Rena had cookies and valentines on the table to purchase if we wanted to take them back to the office. Very Sweet!

50/50 was won by Gary Stanfill who drew a 9 and won \$9.

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Kindrick Beck is the proud owner of Beck’s Divine Cake and Bakery. He is known for delivering moist and favorable tasting cakes and pastries that melt in your mouth.

Kindrick is a native of New Orleans, Louisiana where he received his formal education. While in Louisiana Kindrick received training at the Clay Bible College in Christian Biblical Studies. He is an ordained Minister and also a certified Chemical and Dependency Counselor. In June of 1998, Kendrick relocated to Bakersfield, CA where he met the love of his life and has been married now for 17 years.

Being from New Orleans, cooking and baking is a part of his heritage. This is where he learned, “flavor is everything”.

Although cake decorating was not his first career choice, Kendrick had a love for baking and creating cakes. This became one of his favorite pass time hobbies. In 2012, this led him to pursue training in cake decorating. In the beginning of 2013 Kendrick became certified in Wilton Method of Cake Decorating and later became a Wilton instructor, teaching classes at a local craft store. After discovering his passion for decorating, he established Beck’s Divine Cakes and Bakery. During this time, he enrolled in the Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts to further his education.

Kindrick, within a short period of time was nominated for Kern County’s Best. He is a former member of the Bakersfield Breakfast Rotary Club. He has featured his cakes and pastries at events for Joey Porter, Bakersfield Business Expo, The Taste of Home and The Girls Night Out which was held at Lexus Motors. When Kindrick isn’t baking and designing cakes, he is experimenting with taste and designs for cakes and pastries that are sure to capture the taste buds and command the attention of all potential tasters.

*****HELP WANTED*****

Need Programs - If you have anyone you would like to have speak at Rotary, please see Steve Gibbs

Upcoming Events

- February 27th—Membership Seminar, 9-11 at the 4 Points Sheraton
- March 10th—7 Club Lunch
- March 15th—Ethics Conference
- April 23—Great American Clean-up
- May 21—Vino Amoure

Celebrate!!

Birthdays

Phil Franey—February 5th
 Bob Parker—February 7th
 Jose Pereyra—February 14th
 Ann Braun—February 12th



Club Anniversaries

Kelly Gilbin—22 years on the 1st
 Johnson Jung—33 years on the 1st
 Wayne Kress—30 years on the 1st
 Tom Larwood—55 years on the 1st
 Aaron markovits—6 years on the 12th
 Baynes Bank—6 years on the 12th

Wedding Anniversaries

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The Story Of St. Valentine

Under the rule of Claudius the Cruel, Rome was involved in many unpopular and bloody campaigns. The emperor had to maintain a strong army, but was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. Claudius believed that Roman men were unwilling to join the army because of their strong attachment to their wives and families.

To get rid of the problem, Claudius banned all marriages and engagements in Rome. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continues to perform marriages for young lovers in secret.

When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Valentine was arrested and dragged before the Perfect of Rome, who condemned him to be beaten to death with clubs and to have his head cut off. The sentence was carried out on February 14, on or about the year 270.

Legend also has it that while in jail, St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailor's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine".

For his great service, Valentine was named a saint after his death.



	Greeter	Greeter	Flag Salute	Invocation	Visiting	Reception	Reception
Jan 15	Swatzell	Sullivan	Urban	Watanabe	Williams	Wilson	Womack
Jan 22	Aguirre	Amstutz	Auriemma	Bank	Bass	Begin	Biglin
Jan 29	Brazzell	Brown	Burger	Burch	Carpenter	Coffey	Colatruglio
Feb 5	DARK	DARK	DARK	DARK	DARK	DARK	DARK
Feb 12	Carpenter	Coffey	Colatruglio	Creott	Dierck	Franey	Frank
Feb 19	Gibbs	Gill	Giordano	Gresco	Jackson	Jung	Keith
Feb 26	Kress	Lifquist	Louey	Markovits	Maxwell	Moxley	Oberg
March 4	Parker	Pereyra	Powell	Ramsey	Randell	Richardson	Sabin

Club Directors & Committees

I. Club Service, Administration.....Director: *Michele Brown*

- Attendance/Front Table.....: Tony Ansolabehere
- BERC Database & WEB.....: Tony Ansolabehere
- Roto News Publisher.....: Michele Brown
- Roto News Photographer.....: Brian Oberg
- BBQ.....: Steve Karcher/Rena Kay S.
- Holiday Lunch.....: Melinda Westfahl
- Charter Night.....: _____
- Gin Fizz.....: Gary Stanfill
- Venue/Food.....: Michele Brown
- Historian.....: Rena Kay Schrader
- Programs.....: Steve Gibbs/John Wilson
- Public Relations.....: _____

II. Club Service, Membership.....Director: *Jimmie Soto*

- Classification.....:Tom Burch
- Evaluation.....: Wayne Kress
- Rotary Information.....: Dan Giordano
- Fireside/Assimilation.....: Jimmie Soto/Rena Kay
- Membership Development (Master of Fun).....: Steve Richardson
- Rotarian Magazine.....: Dan Giordano
- Membership Directory.....: Melinda Westfahl
- E-mail Blasts.....: Michele Brown
- Family of Rotary.....:Jenny Dierck/Steve Karcher, Christy S.

III. Vocational Service.....Director: *Mike Brazzell*

- Employee Recognition.....: Steve Richardson
- Business Person Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell
- Craft Talks.....: Mike Brazzell
- Vocational Scholarships.....: Mike Brazzell & Aaron Markovits
- Officer Of The Year.....: Mike Brazzell

IV. Community Service-Youth Services.....Director: *Aaron Markovits / Day Smith*

- East High Interact.....:Tomeka Powell
- Highland High InterAct.....: Brian Oberg
- Garces High InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
- OLPH InterAct.....: Scarlett Sabin
- Joe Alexander Scholarship Foundation Liaison.....: Aaron Markovits
- RotarAct.....: Aaron Markovits
- Scholarships.....: Gary Creott & Bill Gresco
- RYLA.....: Day Smith/Sandi Schwartz
- Business & Ethics Conference.....: Steve Richardson
- Four Way Test.....: Aaron M. & Day S.

V. Community Service-Outreach.....Director: **Fernando Aguirre**

Blood Bank Organ Donation.....:Sandi Schwartz

A. Blood Bank Days

BGC & Children Outreach.....: Fernando Aguirre

A. Backpack Project.....: Tom Burch, Christy Swatzell & Fernando

B. Jamison Center.....: Tom Burch

Environment

A. Bike Path Maps.....: Terry Schroepfer

B. Rotary Park.....: Ron Biglin, Tom Burch & Jon Lifquist

C. Cleanup Projects.....: Fernando

Handicap/Poverty/Senior Citizens.....:

Other Community Service Outreach

*Can Food Drive.....: Christy Swatzell

*Salvation Army Bell Ringing.....: Michelle Brown, Susan Leedy

*Youth Financial Literacy.....: Jim Williams & Roy Herrmann

A. Dictionary Project.....:

B. Listen to Readers.....: Julie Womack

*The Forgotten Initiative.....: Jenny Dierck

Veterans

A. Honor Flight.....: Tom Burch

B. Rebuilding Kern Together.....: Fernando Aguirre

VI. International Service.....Director: **Amanda Frank**

• Polio Plus.....: Dan Giordano

• Polio Plus Donations.....: Dan Giordano

• International Service Development/Grants.....: Christy Swatzell & Committee

• South of the Boarder/Education.....: Amanda & Sandi Schwartz

• Love Water.....: Amanda & Christine Randall

VII. BERC Foundation.....Director: **Dan Giordano**

• Vino Amore Chair.....: Tom Burch & Michelle Brown

• Vino Amore Sponsorships.....: Scott Begin

• Vino Amore Auction Items.....: Jenny Dierck / Dan Urban

• Vino Amore Treasurer.....: Bob Parker

• Vino Amore Tickets.....: Sandi Schwartz / Christine Randall

VIII. FUN Raisers

• Shooting Contest.....: _____

• Photo Calendar, Note Cards, Post Cards.....: _____

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