

## THE 1976-1977 ROTARY YEAR

ROBERT A. MANCHESTER II  
President, Rotary International

"MICK" JONES  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

EVAN BERG	President
GARY BUTLER	Vice President
STAN NADER JR.	Secretary
JERRY HAINES	Treasurer

### DIRECTORS

WENDELL BEVERS	Club Service
CY SERGIS	Community Service
RICH JANSEN	Vocational Service
KELSEY SPOOR	International Service
NICK NICHOLAU	Past President

The highlights of my year as Rotary President included naming Louis Franceschi a "Paul Harris Fellow"; the "Franceschi Fine Furniture Fling", in which Louis made the furniture used in Club fund raising; the Rotary Rummage and Bake sale; and the luncheon to welcome our local school staff at the beginning of the school year.

We provided funds and labor in collaboration with two other organizations to install two restrooms at our city park, sponsored the visiting Blood Bank and continued to sponsor a Boy Scout Troop as part of our community service.

Our club was also active along with several Rotary Clubs in the area in sponsoring a "Career Day" at Sierra College. We provided a scholarship to a high school student, provided a Memorial Campership to a worthy youth, and helped send a high school student to the Presidential Classroom. We had two Y.E.S. students, Silvia Rios from Mexico and Mike Cook from Australia. Our Rotary club was privileged to have the parents of both students visit the club during the year.

Bob Dart created plaques and presented them to our weekly program guests.

## THE 1977-1978 ROTARY YEAR

ALBERT J. (AL) SESSAREGO  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

GARY BUTLER	President
JERRY HAINES	Vice President
STAN NADER JR.	Secretary
JAY HOLLAND	Treasurer

### DIRECTORS

PRIMO SANTINI	Club Service
RICH JANSEN	Community Service
BILL WILLIAMS	Vocational Service
DICK FOWLER	International Service
EVAN BERG	Past President

One of the problems at the beginning of my term was the retention of younger members. We moved to greater consultation and preparation of new members, door greeters and systematic media inclusion. Bud Ragsdale did a humorous news survey as part of club service and we were able to regain some lost membership.

Johnny Carnesecca and Jerry Jansen each took six months as program chairman and we never missed a program throughout the entire year.

We had a joint project to erect new restroom facilities in the McBean Park Bar B Q area in connection with the Lincoln Lion's Club. This was my President's project and our Rotary club contributed \$1,000 to the project.

We were unable to have an exchange student, but laid the foundation to recruit Andrew Howard to an exchange in Brazil for the 1978-1979 year.

In vocational service we did the bulk of the work on the Sierra College Career Day, reaching more than 1,000 youth. We hosted a very successful tour by a delegation from Chile the year following the collapse of their socialist government.

We contributed to 14 youth organizations under community service and helped with seed money to get the Senior Citizen's Center started across the street from our weekly meeting place.

### THE 1978-1979 ROTARY YEAR

A.G. (AL) SIMONET  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

#### OFFICERS

HARRISON JACKSON JR	President
EARL KENDALL	Vice President
STAN NADER JR.	Secretary
JAY HOLLAND	Treasurer

#### DIRECTORS

BILL WILLIAMS	Club Service
LEN VALASEK	Community Service
PRIMO SANTINI	Vocational Service
STAN NADER SR.	International Service
GARY BUTLER	Past President

The year as President was an enjoyable year. The club developed a new and lively spirit. The membership at the end of the year was 42, a gain of 4 members. During this period the club reached 2300% level in Rotary Foundation funding.

The President's project was to be the erection of the second flag pole at the park entrance. This failed to come off because the city did not want the second pole. The pole was to be used to fly the California flag. The club did get work started on the 4th of July Beef Raffle. This program was developed to run year after year as a fund raiser for the Y.E.S. program.

The club began pushing for a Y.E.S. student from the Lincoln High School. It was determined that there were several students who would be possible candidates. Late in the year the club was informed that there would be an incoming Y.E.S. student to arrive late in August.

The meeting of 14, July 78, was the District Governor's time to visit Lincoln. Governor Al Simonet's subject was "WHAT ROTARY IS."

The club was a guest of the Carlin C. Coppin school on 1, September 78. Each Rotarian was assigned to a staff member for a briefing of the teaching role and other responsibilities. We enjoyed a very good potluck dinner provided by the school staff.

Ladies Day was held 15, December 78. Each lady received a special gift.

The club year was saddened by the death of Paul Harris Fellow, Louis Franceschi on 4 May 79. Louie was active in club fund raising, providing several handmade pieces of furniture. He was greatly missed by all members of the club. Several of Louie's friends and relatives gave memorial gifts to the Rotary Foundation.



The year ended with the club in good shape to begin the new reign of incoming President Earl Kendall.

Thanks for allowing me to be the club President for the year '78-79'.

Harrison A. Jackson, Jr.

### THE 1979-1980 ROTARY YEAR

JIM BOMAR  
President, Rotary International

FRANK MCBRIDE JR.  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

#### OFFICERS

EARL KENDALL	President
LEN VALASEK	Vice President
STAN NADER JR.	Secretary
JAY HOLLAND	Treasurer

#### DIRECTORS

LAYNE CURNUTT	Club Service
RICH FOWLER	Community Service
JOHN PERRY	Vocational Service
JERRY JANSEN	International Service
HARRISON JACKSON	Past President

This was the year that the Lincoln Rotary began to revitalize itself and establish and re-establish several events and programs.

- a) The Rotary Bulletin was re-established on a weekly basis.
- b) The By-Laws of the Lincoln Rotary Club were reviewed and up-dated.
- c) The club began to send Anniversary and Birthday cards to the wives as well as a rosebud.
- d) The club established the Annual Oktoberfest Dinner and Dance.
- e) Members classifications were reviewed and up-dated.
- f) The Fourth of July Beef Raffle was established.
- g) We established a program to create a Paul Harris Fellowship award from fine contributions. The fine contributions were designated to go to International on an on-going basis.
- h) We established the Ladies Valentines Day event.
- i) We established a Christmas Party for Rotarians, their children and grandchildren.
- j) We held several pot-luck dinners to promote a social spirit amongst the wives and Rotarians.

While not all of the goals established for the year 1979-1980 were reached; it was a fruitful year and a very satisfying year for me as President.

## THE 1980-1981 ROTARY YEAR

ROLF KLARICH  
President, Rotary International

LARRY WILLISON  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

LEN VALASEK	President
JERRY HAINES	Vice President
HARRISON JACKSON	Secretary
JAY HOLLAND	Treasurer

### DIRECTORS

BUD RAGSDALE	Club Service
MEL LEWIS	Community Service
LAYNE CURNUTT	Vocational Service
ELI DEMAS	International Service
EARL KENDALL	Past President

### "TAKE TIME TO SERVE"

Len began his term as President determined to continue the many activities of Rotary and to also make the year fun, as well as add to the club's treasury. All three were accomplished.

The club was credited with a strong showing at both the Oktoberfest and the 4th of July Beef Raffle. The latter to be established as a major fund source for your Y.E.S. program.

The club received a Y.E.S. student from Sweden as well as sending two Lincoln students abroad, one to Brazil and the other to Denmark.

A great deal of Rotary participation and effort was expanded in the area of the Lincoln High School Beautification program.

A major project was planned and carried out in the McBean Park BBQ area and McBean Park Pavilion. Rotary crews under Len's leadership put the whole east portion of the park into a sound system. The system covered both the outside and interior of the Pavilion.

Through the efforts of Len and Rotary one of our Lincoln Rotary member's sons, Mark Fuller son of Rotarian Bert Fuller, was successfully supported to a position on the 1980 US Olympic Wrestling team as well as becoming the World's No. 1 Greco Roman Wrestler. A real proud moment!

Len, with the efforts of the weekly Rotary Bulletin team, had a lot of fun in exposing the many antics of fellow Rotarians throughout the year. Of course a fine went along with each quip which enlarged the Treasury.

All in all Len's year accomplished many tasks, continued the education of Rotarians about Rotary and had a great deal of enjoyment and fun.



## THE 1981-1982 ROTARY YEAR

STAN MC CAFFREY  
President, Rotary International

NORMAN D. OLSEN  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

JERRY HAINES	President
LAYNE CURNUTT	Vice President
HARRISON JACKSON	Secretary
JACK GRIGGS	Treasurer
ED GREY	Sergeant at Arms
BOB DART	Cashier
DICK LEE	Song Leader

### DIRECTORS

DAVE BAKER	Club Service
TERRY STURGIS	Community Service
CARL MALOTTE	Vocational Service
ROBERT JIMENEZ	International Service
LEN VALASEK	Past President

### WORLD UNDERSTANDING AND PEACE THROUGH ROTARY

This year had many significant happenings, worthy of brief mention for this club history.

Our International President commented that one of the most important responsibilities of all of us in leadership positions in Rotary is that of maintaining and strengthening the membership of our organization. I feel we accomplished this...I was privileged to have members on my Board of Directors that, even though relatively new to the organization, took hold and caused the local club to make great strides toward the goals set for the year. The increase in membership, with eleven new members for the year, the involvement of so many in various ways, all counted toward the year ending on a successful note.

Terry Sturgis provided the President with "personal" Rotary stationery that was much appreciated. We invited guests from the Lincoln Senior Citizens club to our weekly luncheon meetings; hosted a Y.E.S. exchange student from Germany, Peter Jessen; were involved in the Group Study Exchange; presented a Paul Harris Fellowship to long-time member, Peter Demas, in February, 1982 at a Ladies Night with Jack Coe a Rotary scholar as our excellent speaker. Layne Curnutt chaired an excellent Oktoberfest for us, and our good friend, Charles Kellar was presented the Lincoln Community Service award by the Lincoln Area Chamber of Commerce in 1981.

To sum up the year best, I would like to share my "letter to the club at the end of my year as President. At the "Kick-out" ending my year, my family attended the evening of fun and enjoyed watching me be entertained by a Greek Belly-Dancer, arranged by my dear friend, Eli Demas! It was a year of my life I shall never forget and an opportunity of a life-time, for which I am deeply grateful to the club membership for allowing me this privilege. During the year, Bill Williams replaced Dave Baker as a Director, which I also appreciated, as Bill had been President of the club the year my name was proposed by Pete Demas for membership. It was the perfect example of a good Rotarian exemplified by Bill Williams, Pete Demas and Ed Grey that firmly planted the ideals of Rotary in me. I am very proud to be a Rotarian!

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JERRY.....  
Dear Fellow Rotarians;

JUNE 25, 1982

Is it possible that my year as President of the Rotary Club of Lincoln is already over? I can't believe it! When I reflect back to the conference I attended in February, 1981, for incoming presidents, the multitude of plans and ideas going through my mind, the great opportunities I felt that were to be mine during the year 1981-1982, I can only feel some tinge of regret that it isn't yet to be so that I might have those opportunities again and, perhaps, make

better use of them. It is a feeling of "I wish...." However, that is the case, and life goes on. Therefore, I would like to take this brief moment to express my thoughts as sincerely as possible....especially to thank you for the privilege of serving you as President....it has been an honor and an experience of a life-time for me and provided memories I will cherish from now on. I have enjoyed it far more than I ever anticipated and can only attribute that to the total involvement and cooperation of each of you to make the year so much fun... and, hopefully, a successful year in some ways. Thanks to each of you for your involvement in Rotary Foundation, so that your contribution helped realize my goal to present a Paul Harris Fellowship to our dear friend, Pete Demas. This was such a personal pleasure for me. Had my health cooperated, perhaps we could have done more, but...so be it!

You blessed me with the finest Board of Directors I could have asked for....Bob Jimenez, Carl Malotte, Terry Sturgis, Dave Baker...later replaced by Bill Williams, Len Valasek, Harrison Jackson, Jack Griggs and Layne Curnutt. They were so supportive and understanding and cooperative in every way, with excellent guidance and input. Len was always willing to lend a hand "to show the way" since he had so recently done such a great job before me. Each committee member was most helpful and willing to do their part when asked. Tom Torchia did a commendable job with the program chairmanship to keep such interesting programs each week. And, what would we have done without Sgt. Ed? Thank you so much, Ed... and Fran for the fellowship and sunshine committee. Dennis, Gary and Len are to be commended and should be proud of the fine job they did continuously with an interesting bulletin for us nearly every week. Thanks to Bob Dart for his faithfulness as cashier; and, Bud Ragsdale and Bob Fowler for your help with the dinners, along with Earl and Dick and Layne; and Jim Hatfield for helping us with the Group Study Exchange and Jay for helping us with the Youth Exchange Service responsibilities.....where do I stop? You see, I have so much to be thankful for and so many memories of the good times and the things we were able to accomplish together.

It really pleases me to have met the goal of at least 50 members this year...we end with 51....started with 41, lost 1, and gained 11. Isn't that great....and a special thanks and welcome to those newcomers or transfers or re-joiners: Stan Nader, Jr., Ken Bayless, Don Olmstead, Hal and Bob Weygandt, John Bozzo, Walter K. Jansen, Walt Gregson, Bob Leighty, Wayne Nader and Ron Barringer.

It's been great and I thank you...my very best wishes for the year to come to my successor, Layne Curnutt!!!!

Barbara and I express our love and gratitude to all.

Jerry Haines



## THE 1982-1983 ROTARY YEAR

HIROJI MUKASA  
President, Rotary International

JAMES M. STARR  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

LAYNE CURNUTT	President
TERRY STURGIS	Vice President
HARRISON JACKSON	Secretary
HARRISON JACKSON	Treasurer

### DIRECTORS

TOM TORCHIA	Club Service
BOB BITTERS	Community Service
CARL MALOTTE	Vocational Service
TOM SWANSON	International Service
JERRY HAINES	Past President

### BUILD BRIDGES OF FRIENDSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

For me, my Rotary year began in the late winter of 1982. It was at this time that I attended the Presidential Training seminar. The seminar was the best training experience I have ever had. The days were packed with excellent motivating speakers. It was at the seminar that I attained a true feeling of what Rotary was about and could be. Also at this time I began to understand all the various facets of Rotary International.

With the training experience under my belt I returned to my club filled with enthusiasm for what our club could do. I was the only one who shared this enthusiasm. My first experience was the 4th of July parade in Lincoln. On the 4th of July our club has a Beef Raffle. It is the money made from the raffle that supports our Y.E.S. project. I encouraged all the members to turn out for the parade. The more members selling tickets the more money for our project. Rotary is a community service club. We should have a good turn out. After all, the members belong because they want to. Well, out of club of 55 members we had a turnout of 4 members.

Thus I got a true meaning of Rotary's motto...Service Above Self. When one is President, one serves. I realized that one man's enthusiasm is no good without the enthusiasm of the entire club.

With a clearer perspective of what the club wanted from a President, I settled down to a comfortable year. The members wanted business as usual. The members of the club wanted to get together with life long friends and touch base once a week, have a nice lunch and good times. And you know what? I think they may be right. Rotary to me is fellowship and friendship, a closeness to people. That is what Rotary is to me. It takes time to make changes.

So I would say my year as President was about average.

## THE 1983-1984 ROTARY YEAR

WILLIAM E. SKELTON  
President, Rotary International

RICHARD P. "DICK" MARSH  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

### OFFICERS

TERRY STURGIS	President
WALTER K. JANSEN	Vice President
HARRISON JACKSON	Secretary
JERRY HAINES	Treasurer

### DIRECTORS

FRANCIS GREY	Club Service
CARL MALOTTE	Community Service
GLENN VINEYARD	Vocational Service
WALTER K. JANSEN	International Service
LAYNE CURNUTT	Past President

### SHARE ROTARY - SERVE PEOPLE

At the P.E.T.S. conference I was pleased to see that my club had made special provisions for me when I arrived at the Concord Hilton to find that I was the only incoming president to be assigned a female roommate.

I'm sorry to report that an impending call from my wife made it necessary for me to hastily request a new roommate. A false fire alarm that same evening that cleared the hotel about midnight, gave the group reason to wonder about the prospects for the coming year.

In spite of the dubious start, the first event of my Rotary year, the Beef Raffle, sold out all 1500 tickets, thanks to Carl Malotte.

August and September were quiet until someone decided to steal my bell for about 6 weeks. I ended up having to go to Roseville to retrieve it. There may be some consolation in the fact that Roseville lost all its badges to Citrus Heights.

Dick Lee managed to supplement the raffle with his nifty fishing flies and about 16 dozen golf clubs. Dick also received special honors that year for being the oldest attending Rotarian in District 519 together with a letter of thanks for a gift of fishing flies from California Republican Governor, George Deukmejian.

At our annual Christmas Ladies Night we were pleased to bestow the honor of "Paul Harris Fellow" upon Dr. Nathan Dubin as it was well deserved and long past due.

We managed during that year to accumulate four (4)-100% attendance meetings. As I later learned the first one occurred after I remembered to make up at Folsom late one Thursday evening. Without knowing that he was a Rotarian, the policeman that I had stopped to ask directions gave me a personal light and siren escort to the meeting house. The speaker that night was Sacramento County Sheriff, Robbie Waters.

We were able to conduct our first "Rotary Career Day" at Lincoln High School that year. The event was quite successful and continues. That year we had quite an influx of new members and at one point were only one member short of being classified, a "large" club.

Although I couldn't understand District Governor Dick Marsh's concern about my seeming lack of control over the meeting during his visit, I was later to learn that District Governor's have their problems also. When Dick scheduled a Rotary dinner cruise on Lake Tahoe, at the District Assembly, that occurred during the only known "hurricane" to ever pass over the lake. Seasick pills were the entree at dinner.



All in all it was a year of several firsts for our club and an apparent re-awakening of an interest in participation and service.

### THE 1984-1985 ROTARY YEAR

CARLOS CANSECO  
President, Rotary International

BILL SMITH  
District Governor, Ca-Vada #519

#### OFFICERS

WALTER K. JANSEN	President
CARL MALOTTE	Vice President
HARRISON JACKSON	Secretary
JERRY HAINES	Treasurer
JAY HOLLAND	Sergeant at Arms

#### DIRECTORS

TOM TORCHIA	Club Service
PHILIP MOORE	Community Service
DENNIS WYATT	Vocational Service
BOB WEYGANDT	International Service
TERRY STURGIS	Past President

### DISCOVER A NEW WORLD OF SERVICE

The first meeting of the new year started with Dick Lee, the lone charter member, leading the Pledge to the flag and the singing of "America the Beautiful". The program was a club assembly wherein the Directors called their committees together to formulate plans for the year.

District Governor Bill Smith visited the club on September 7th and discussed our plans and made some suggestions and also told a number of jokes. Bill brought his wife, Alice, who had lunch at my home with Joan and wives of Board Members.

Some of our projects, such as landscaping the Library and providing benches at bus stops, didn't get off the ground for some reason or another. The updating of the Veteran's Memorial which had been planned in 83/84 was again delayed, and will be completed in 85/86 under the direction of Bob Leighty. Fixing the sound system at the park was accomplished by Glenn Vineyard with the help of new member Gene Thorpe.

During the year we hosted a Y.E.S. student from Belgium. Max Van Rollegheem lived for some time with Terry Sturgis and then moved in with Charles Kellar for the remainder of his time here. Max's parents visited the club when they were in the area.

Dennis Wyatt was in charge of the Career Day at the high school. This was also a great success because of the help given Dennis by most of the members as well as outside professional and business men. Career Day will become an annual event because it was so well received.

Fran Grey organized an attendance contest which began March 1st and was to run for two months. Prior to March 1, the club had three (3) 100% meetings, but with the contest running, a string of 100% meeting started which went up to the last meeting of the year. A total of twenty-one (21) 100 % meetings, 18 of which were consecutive. With no winner in the contest, Fran decreed that the Board of Directors would be responsible for putting on a dinner for the club. This was done in combination with the "Kick-out" held in my back yard on June 21st.

Carl Malotte has pledged to keep the 100% string going in order to set a record and gain District recognition for the Lincoln club. The club record is seventy-one (71) 100% meetings. That string started when Dr. Conrad Briner was President in 1930 with 25 consecutive 100%ers and continued when Dick Lee took over with 46 more. That is quite a record to shoot for.

During the year we presented two Paul Harris Fellowship awards. At the Christmas party, Fran Grey made the presentation to Edward A. Grey Jr. and at the "Kick-out", Past DG Dick Marsh made the presentation to Jarol H. (Jerry) Jansen.

During the month of November, each member was required to bring a can of food to be contributed to the Lincoln Ministerial Association's Annual Christmas Food Basket program. We turned over some 250 cans of food to the cause.

We participated in the District's International project of delivering an ambulance to Guymas, Mexico. Steve Mitchell rewired the ambulance and Chuck Wing contributed medical supplies which went with the ambulance when it went south. Chuck Wing was also in charge of two successful Blood Bank drives in December and May.

At the "Kick-out", perfect attendance awards were given to the following members: Bob Jimenez, 32 years; Bob Dart, 29 years; Eli Demas, 22 years; Kay Jansen, 15 years; Glenn Vineyard, 6 years; Jerry Winter, Earl Kendall and Harrison Jackson, 3 years; Jon Hirtz and Chuck Winng, 2 years; and John Carnesecca, Ron Barringer, Dennis Wyatt, Carl Malotte and Tom Torchia with 1 year.

With the help of Dennis Wyatt, we have set the wheels in motion to have Lincoln High students participate in next years District 519 Speech Contest. Also to have students meet with us as guests each Friday, commencing in the Fall of 85.

We decided to again host a Y.E.S. student. This coming year we will have as our guest Natsuko Iwai from Japan.

The District Conference was held this year in Sacramento, and all our Officers and Directors attended. Also attending, at the request of Governor Bill Smith was Dick Lee who was honored by the District Governor as being the oldest active Rotarian in District 519. After Governor Bill read the article which appeared in the Roseville Press Tribune, Governor Bill asked Dennis Wyatt to write another article which Governor Bill submitted to the Rotarian magazine.

We started the year with forty-seven members and on June 30, 1985 we closed out with fifty-two, a 10% increase.