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Thinking Out Loud

Change is a constant! And yes, things are changing with the Rotary Club of Dublin. Not just in our club leadership with a new President and board, but there are changes in the way we as a club will get things done. How Rotary International will evolve and deal with change is the focus of much of Rotary International's energy these days. It is the topic of ongoing discussion and debate.

How do we as Rotarians meet our goals? How do we as a club remain relevant as we grow older? How do we recruit young new members to replace us as we age while also retaining members who have contributed so much over the years? All good questions that clubs everywhere are grappling with.

We may not always like doing things differently, but we all intuitively understand that changing how we do things, both individually and as a club, is a must if we are to survive. In 1974, Dublin was a small city of 16,000 citizens who were fairly homogenous in background and belief. Today, we are a rapidly growing community of 55,000 and the makeup and complexion of Dublin has changed dramatically in the last 40+ years. I ask the question, does the makeup of our club reflect those changes? Has our club evolved with our changing community? More importantly, what are our plans to remain relevant and to thrive in the new community in which we live? All questions we need to be prepared to address in the year(s) ahead.

We all join Rotary for a variety of reasons. When surveyed, most new members say, "Rotary is a great way to network and to expand my business." But when Rotarians are surveyed years after joining Rotary they most often respond, "I stay in Rotary because of the people I've met and the feeling I get when we make a difference in the lives of people in our community." But how do we share that feeling of accomplishment to prospective members? How do we share that inner gift we receive with others in our community? When's the last time you shared your love of Rotary with a friend or colleague?



Like anything else, you get out of Rotary what you put into it, the more you can share your time, energy, spirit and resources with our club, the more rewards you are likely to reap from those gifts. So I ask you to think about the last time you truly got involved with our club. When is the last time you volunteered to be part of a committee, the last time you worked on or led a club project, attended a planning meeting, participated in a club social or hell, even switched the table where you sit during meetings so you could get to know other members? Just as importantly, when is the last time you invited or hosted a potential new member to our club. There are many reasons we don't get involved, but maybe we need to look for reasons to turn our energy into action.

Anything and everything YOU do makes a difference to our club spirit, morale and esprit de corps. YOUR participation and involvement is the difference.YOUR energy helps us build bonds with our colleagues, brings laugher to our hearts, allows us to take-on and complete projects and as a result, we continued on page 2

By Rich Boschetti

The Story of How Bo & Mona Became President: By Larry Damaser

It was back in January of 1966 when Bob Tucknott told Bo that she would never be President. I remember those days. Bo remarked to me at the time that she will prove him wrong but she needed a partner to lean on to help her during her Presidency. Ten years later Bo finally found that perfect partner. Unfortunately, that person was busy. Thirty years later Bo finally found the perfect partner that was not busy. Unfortunately, that person told Bo that they couldn't do it because they were too busy trimming their almond tree.



So it was 50 years later in 2015 that Bo found Mona. Mona was an extremely successful travel agent at the time looking for some way to give back to her Rotary Club. Rotary had already helped her deal with the loss of her pet raccoon named Woody. Woody's last wish was for Mona to never join Rotary. Because Mona hated that raccoon, she took up Bo's offer to join her on this journey.



Bo & Mona started their Presidential year with a flurry of inactivity. The first 7

months the only meeting they attended was the celebration of them as the only sober Presidents in the District. It was after that coronation that they decided to move their master plan into action.

Bo quickly consolidated power by assigning herself as District Governor and Mona elected herself "Traveling" Secretary because she thought it would help her travel agent business. Through these shrewd power plays the ladies were able to pull off the greatest fundraiser in Dublin city history: I am speaking of course of the 2015 Female Snail Racing festival. That was not their biggest brainstorm – it was the snail ice cream that was the biggest hit - Rich Bennett's idea. It has been well documented that snail ice cream is a delicacy in many countries that end in the letter S. Clearly, it was a huge success. After raising over \$43.26 for the "Kids who can't read no good" nonprofit (thanks mostly to Kamal's efforts of course) the Presidents set their sights on membership.

It was only after they inducted their 17th Lion Tamer that Rotary International instituted the now infamous "Lion Tamer membership limit rule." As many of you know, this was the rule that got the Dublin Rotary Club kicked out of Rotary International. It was the famous Supreme Court ruling in Bo & Mona vs. RI that legally allowed clubs to discriminate based on job category.

So now the year comes to a close. They got us kicked out of RI. They inducted 17 Lion Tamers. They raised not much money for a non-profit that no one has heard of. And they got an award just for not drinking.

It is because of all of this that we can say these words to Bo & Mona: Thank you for bringing your year to a close.

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each help make life better for people in our club and in our community.

The difference is YOU! I ask each and every member of the Dublin Ro-

tary Club to find a way to make a difference. Don't be a Rotarian in name only, in 2016 - 17 I'm asking you to

BE A ROTARIAN IN ACTION!



Tuesday, July 12 Rich Boschetti's Rotary year begins! Speakers are Scott Kenison and Chris Carter of the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center. Meet at City Hall.

Saturday, July 16 Club BBQ and Pool Party for the whole family at Rich Bennett's. Noon to 6 p.m. See attached flyer.

> Tuesday, July 19 Paul Reeves of IKEA at City Hall

Tuesday, August 9 Jim Carley, Certified Senior Advisor at City Hall

Tuesday, September 6 Assemblywoman Catharine Baker at City Hall PAGE 3

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Top Ten reasons Bo & Mona were the best Presidents Ever! By Larry Damaser

10) They could pull off a neon blazer much better than BobTucknott

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9) They showed

everyone that 2 ladies were not twice as good as the prior President but more like 4 times as good

8) They stayed awake for almost half of their board meetings.



- 7) They proved that RB2 can't do much worse next year
- 6) They were accepting of the criticism that their suggestion of going "clothing optional" may not go over very well
- 5) They made sure Ron Mazur was never allowed to explain how DDF works at a meeting ever again



- 4) They were President?
- 3) 50 meetings later, they finally learned the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) They were the first Dublin Rotary Presidents to run a meeting backwards
- They hosted Lobster, Top Chef, Fireworks, Beer Sales, the Bike event, several socials, tons of great speakers, the district event in San Ramon. They inducted many new Rotarians and they raised a ton of money for both RI and our own foundation. They also kept the common bond between all of us strong as ever!

Dublín Rotaríans:

It is both with regret and relief that our year has come to an end. When we agreed to be co-presidents we didn't really know just how much we were taking on. It has been both rewarding and (at times)



challenging. So many of our board and members have helped us during our term. We don't think we could have co-presidented without their guidance and advice. Thank you to our members for allowing us the privilege of serving you.

Bo and Mona

Catching Up

Webmaster MC Kulick, pictured below in the group photo, recently showed us how to find and use the new Dublin Rotary website, which not only serves the Club, but also the Rotary Club Foundation. MC has been very active working with Tim Delaporte to shift to a new provider and to add significant new content. The idea of the website is to provide an attractive site for those wanting to learn about Rotary in general and Dublin Rotary in particular and also serve the needs of the members. MC described the current site and plans for the future. You can visit it at **www.rotarydublin.org.**





Join us at an upcoming meeting and find out why we are called The World's Friendliest Rotary Club.

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Dublin, California



July 5th - Club

Project in Lieu of Meeting



Bring: Potluck: snacks, salad, side dish, condiments, or dessert, Beverages to share; Towel, sandals or flip flops for the hot deck

LUNCH SERVED AROUND 1:30PM

> Location: Lovermore (Rich Bennett and Kathy Heilmann's house) 1579 Fontonett Place, Livermore

This is a family party so bring your partner, kids, and grandkids! The pool is plenty big enough for everyone! Hamburgers, hot dogs, and buns will be provided by the club. Rich will open up some of his bottles of wine; beer and sodas would be especially welcome.

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Invites you to a

RSVP and register your potluck contribution in person at the. Rotary meeting or online at http://bit.do/RotaryPool. THE DUBLIN SHAMROCK 2015-2016



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DUBLIN ROTARY MEMBERSHIP

*Ackley, Dennis '97• Anyosa, John '14 *Bennett, Rich '95• Benton, Bryan '13• Biddle, Don '05• Boschetti, Rich '12• Brown, Alan '13 Brown, Tinarsha '16 Carvacho, Bo '08• *Cauchi, Jerry '06• Ceizler, Harold '69• *Damaser, Larry '09• *Delaporte, Tim '09• Della, Kamal 'II• Denlinger, Lee '04• Dunlop, Mona '94• Hanke, Steve '12• Haubert, David '13 Herbstman, Cliff '68• Herrera, Beverly '15 Hoffman, Ted Jr. '90• Ichiuji, John '83• Jenkins, Stephany 'II Johnson, Pamela '07• *Kinzel, Chris D. '87• Kulick, MC '09• *Kyle Michael E. '75• Lee, Alvin '14

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*Leuchi, Jeff '96• Manuchehri, Parvin 'I I• Marty, Shamekka '16 *Mazur, Ron '85• *Miller, Dennis J. '79• Miller, Gregory '08 *Moy, William '89• Murphy, Heather '14 *Price, Don '09• Pringle, Patty '13 Raney, Ed '96• Rouse, Megan '14 Ruhullah, Yusuf '14• Salvado, Keith '12 *Shurson, Stacey '90• Smith, Linda '12 Stanford, Athena '06 Strah, Melissa '13 Sullivan, Don '84• *Thalblum, Janine '09• *Tucknott, Bob '73• Watanabe, Jerry '72• Wong, Kinley 'I4 • *Zahn, Pat '98•

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