

The Voice of the Vineyards

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“The mission of a bulletin is inform the membership,
comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable”

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WELCOME



Prez Rich called the meeting to order and asked John Merget to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance, as well as the 4-Way Test.

VISITING ROTARIANS



* **Pam Moulton**, Windsor Club



* **Mark Thayer**, Cloverdale Club

GUESTS of ROTARIANS

❖ Stephen Barber, guest of **Jim Westfall**



❖ Ric Heltcall, guest of **Dick Bertapelle**



❖ Janet Hoehn, guest - and lovely wife - of **John Avakian (aka King Crab)**



❖ Mary Jean Declaquila, guest of **Jean Herschede**

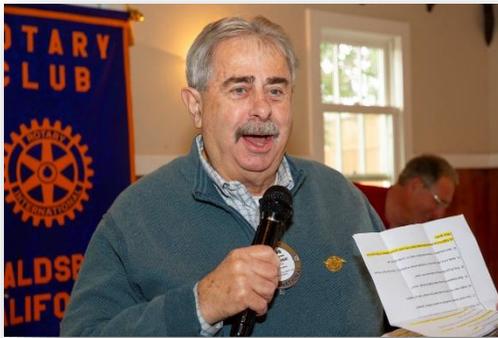


❖ Doug Ruthnik, guest of **Don Mitchell**



~~~ *Oui Cater served luncheon of tossed salad, beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, green peas, and mini-cakes for dessert. ~~~ 2 Yums (Yum scale is from 0 to 5, with 5 being excellent.)*

## QUOTE OF THE DAY



**Richard Norgrove** presented several quotes that he obtained from **Doug Vadnais**:

1. "Remember, half the people you know are below average."
2. "Support bacteria. They're the only culture most people have."
3. "When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane."

## TRIVIA (Winners get a free raffle ticket)



**1. What year was the first Times Square New Year's Eve party? 1903 - Richard Norgrove** got this one.

**2. What year was the first ball drop in Times Square? 1907 - Jean Herschede**



**3. In what country was the first time a ball descended as a symbol of time passing? England - Fred Roberts**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



✚ **Prez Rich** recognized King Crab John Avakian, and wife Janet, for all the hard work on our recent Crab Feast. The club provided a standing ovation!

✚ On January 30, there will be a Four-Club Social, which may or may not be at Charlies in Windsor.



✚ **John Merget** passed a sign-up sheet for Rotary shirts.

## RECOGNITION & HAPPY DOLLARS

- **Prez Rich** toasted **Nita Parker** with a glass of beer from the Bear Republic.



- **Henk Peeters** celebrated a birthday December 1 and donated \$80 to the Education Fund.

- **Gloria Egger** was pleased to report that we collected \$325 for Oui Cater today when we passed the hat!



- **Bob Pedroncelli** donated \$5 for his hip replacement, something that numerous Rotarians have undergone.



- **Jerry Campbell** celebrated his wife's birthday last night, and his 59th Anniversary is approaching - \$59.

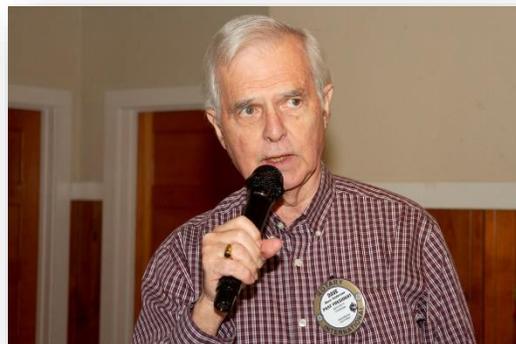


- **Grady Wann** recognized **Jerry Campbell's** donation to the Silent Auction, which earned a whopping \$2000 (!!!), and donated \$10.



- **John Torres** had 10 Happy Dollars.

- **Dr. Dave** donated \$59.60 in recognition of the Dow Jones falling.



## PROGRAM



Today's speaker was Mark Thayer, whose topic was the 1968 Democratic Convention. Mark was a reporter then, and recounted numerous stories related to the Convention. He recalled that Lyndon Johnson announce, in March 1968, that he would not seek re-election. Since there was a telecommunications strike, Mark remembered commandeering pay phones and walkie-talkies to communicate. Mark thinks that news programs should

distinguish between news and opinion. Dr Dave recommended a web site, Media Bias. For example, to check on something in the Press Democrat, just type in press democrat media bias.

**RAFFLE:** John Avakian won today's raffle, but did not draw the winning marble. He did receive a lovely bottle of Bertapelle wine.

**CLOSING:** Prez Rich thanked visitors and guests for coming.

**NEXT WEEK:** We are **DARK** for the next 2 weeks.