

### The Rotary Club of Fair Oaks

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We Meet Almost Every Monday Evening Social Hour 6:15 - 7:00 PM Dinner & Meeting 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Location: Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse 7997 California Avenue Fair Oaks

Visitors are Welcome

# **INNER WHEEL SPAGHETTI NIGHT**

FEBRUARY 29, 2016
Reporter: Cliff Straehley



**Inner Wheel members** 

Monday was the annual Inner Wheel spaghetti dinner. The ambience of our meeting room was transformed by charming hostesses and their creative decor. The striking color contrast of the table cloths, placemats, and napkins created a tone of elegance. The centerpiece candles were a crowning touch and even the raffle prize tables with violet gift sacs sparkled. My complements to the interior decorators.

Bev Purcell was a fun-loving Little Genius - a self-described "giant" genius. Many of our members did not pay happy fines for the presence of their wives, but Bev made up for their oversight by fining them.

The five members of the Silver Ukes entertained us. I noticed a lot of foot tapping in the room and I liked their aloha shirts. The lower register ukulele provided a rhythmic baseline. On a historical note we were informed that some Portuguese immigrants first brought the ukulele to Hawaii after which it spread elsewhere in the United States. It's hard to sit still when listening to such happy music.

The food included not only a traditional spaghetti Bolognese but also spaghetti with a white clam sauce. Both were delicious comfort foods. The tossed salad was great, loaded with cherry tomatoes. There were breadsticks that were so good my neighbor bemoaned his inability to resist them. Wine rounded out the meal for a lot of members.

It was a friendly atmosphere for welcoming some old members who had been absent for a while and the evening deepened our warm relationship with the Inner Wheel members. Thanks for such a great evening.



Blankets for the Linus Project

### **INNER WHEEL – A BRIEF HISTORY**

Inner Wheel is the story of a women's movement which began in the simplest possible way: through the help given by wives to husbands in their efforts for the public good.

During World War 1 in England, Rotary men were overburdened with service needs so they asked their wives to help. In doing so, Women found they enjoyed meeting the wives of other Rotarians – women they probably would never have known. When the pressure of war times was over, they felt it too hard to disband and began to think about forming a club.

The first Inner Wheel club was founded in 1924 in Manchester, England with Mrs Oliver Golding as its president. The Manchester club became the model on which the movement is based. The idea of Inner Wheel spread quickly and many other clubs were soon formed.

It was carefully stated in writing that Inner Wheel would never infringe on Rotary, but it would help when asked. Inner Wheel has grown from a small start with big thinking to over 103,000 members in over 100 countries. It is one of the largest women's service organizations in the world.

The Inner Wheel Club of Fair Oaks has the distinction of being the first Inner Wheel club west of the Mississippi River – a milestone in Inner Wheel history. The twelve founding members listed below signed Charter #1497 on May 21, 1970, a year after the club's formation.

Alice Clover
Ester Lee
Bacqueline Myers
Martha Nardinelli
Mary S. Nord
Velma Ruppel
Marguerite L. Smart
Lucy A. Jones Holler
Rena Mendoth
Martha Nardinelli
Joan Roskelley Cobabe
Arlene M. Sandborn
Hulda M. Stone

Founding members Joan Roskelley Cobabe (Elaine Rock's mother) and Marguerite L. Smart are still members of the Fair Oaks Inner Wheel.





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The Silver Ukes – with Pete Schroeder and Bev Purcell



The raffle table

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**Bev Purcell as Little Genius** 



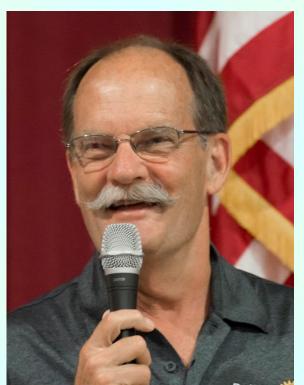
### **MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE**



**Ted Darrow** is back. Ted is recovering completely from his stroke. The anticlottting drug was administed within 20 minutes of his stroke and there will be no long-term effects.



**Beth Wilcoxen** was honored for all of her hard work as Crab Feed Committee Chair. In honor of her leadership, diligence and attention to detail, Beth was given a pair of rubber cowboy work boots.



**Fred Rowe** is recovering perfectly from his hip replacement surgery.

Fred thanked the club for all of the get well cards and visits from club members.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Ron Adams announced that the club will donate \$500 to Stop Hunger Now. Our \$500 will provide 1,724 meals for starving people in developing countries. This is part of larger local effort that will provide more than 17.000 meals.

There will be two-hour work party on March 30, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The 17,000 meals will be packaged. Volunteers are needed. Ron Adams will be handling signups.



### PARTY LIKE IT'S 1946 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER

**By Linda Asletine** 

Imagine its January 1946. You just confirmed there is a new Rotary Club forming in the village. Excitement is in the air, you've waited a long time for this, now finally, all your efforts are coming to reality.

Let's step back to the day...January 29<sup>th</sup>, 1946. The weather has been mild - highs in the 50s and lows in the 30s. World War II is finally over and the New Year is looking promising. Alabama beat California in the Rose Bowl and Saint Mary's lost to Oklahoma in the Sugar Bowl. Well we can't win 'em all--but there is a new football team called the Rams moving to California and we'll see what they're all about. Lucky Luciano is on his way back to Italy and we're getting Roosevelt's mug on the dime.



You just bought your first new car from Charlie Edgett.



It's a Wonderful Life" is showing at the cinema and most folks seem to like it.



They tell us this thing called television will replace the radio, but time will tell on that.

Step back with us on Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Community Clubhouse in the Park.

Cocktails at 6:00 Dinner at 7:00
Cost is \$40.00 per person
Requested Attire is 1940's

R.S.V.P. Linda Aseltine-916-293-4911 or <u>laseltine@sierravistabank.com</u> by March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Meal choices: Grilled Flank Steak with fire roasted tomato and pepper sauce

Chicken Montrachet-boneless breast stuffed w/brie, pine nuts, basil & sun dried tomatoes Pasta Primavera-sautéed vegetables, tossed with fusilli in a tomato pesto cream sauce



#### From the Desk of President Pete Schroeder

District 5180 will host its Annual Training Assembly on Saturday, April 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Inderkum High School, 2500 New Market Drive, Sacramento (near Sleep Train Arena.)

Registration is free and is open to all Rotarians especially those who will serve as directors, officers and committee members during the 2016-17 Rotary year.

Registration and coffee will be held from 8:00—8:30 a.m. and the individual training sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided after the morning sessions. The afternoon session will conclude at 2:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and advise Joe Scheimer (our Assistant Governor) that you'll be attending.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
Crab Feed Committee Post Event Meeting	February 29 5:30 PM	Clubhouse
Club Meeting Imner Wheel Spaghetti Night	February 29	At the Clubhouse All you can eat spaghetti A fundraiser for Inner Wheel
Club Meeting Annual Speech Contest	March 7	At the Clubhouse
Club Meeting St Patrick's Social	March 14	At the Clubhouse
Club Board Meeting	March 16	
Club Meeting Rob (On The Road) Stewart	March 21	At the Clubhouse
Club Meeting Eric Anderton: Motivation	March 28	At the Clubhouse