



The Acorn

Photo of the day



...would you eat what this crew serves

You may remember that last week Agnes Kwenda, visiting Rotarian from Zimbabwe, told how she discovered our club while working at St. John's shelter. Thanks to the lovely Alice, we now have photographic

proof our members actually found their way to the kitchen where in addition to posing for pictures, they helped feed the formerly homeless women and their families that this shelter serves every day.

Club Events

Christmas Party

Smallhouse Abode

Dec 15, 2012 06:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Holiday Food Baskets

Northridge School

Dec 20, 2012 07:00 AM - 04:00 PM

Board Meeting

Romines Residence

Jan 16, 2013 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM

Inner Wheel Bunco Night

Jan 26, 2013 06:00 PM - 09:00 PM

23rd Annual Fair Oaks Rotary Crab Feed

Divine Savior Church

Feb 09, 2013 05:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Club Meeting Info

We meet Mondays at 6:45 PM

Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse

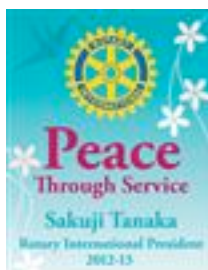
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[District Site](#)



District Governor Bob Deering

Welcome

You are all part of a new experiment with this issue of the Acorn, as your editor was attending a SCORE function, and was not able to attend the meeting. Reporting for tonight's meeting, as well as the other events and articles in this issue, were largely provided by other members of the club. Look for article bylines throughout this issue, and special thanks to: **Bruce Vincent** for once again providing most of the wonderful photos, augmented this week by photos from **Beth** and **Alice**. **Anne Browning** was kind enough to volunteer to take the notes at the meeting and provided most of the reporting in this issue. Look also for guest articles from **Bruce Hagel** and **Mike Maddox**.

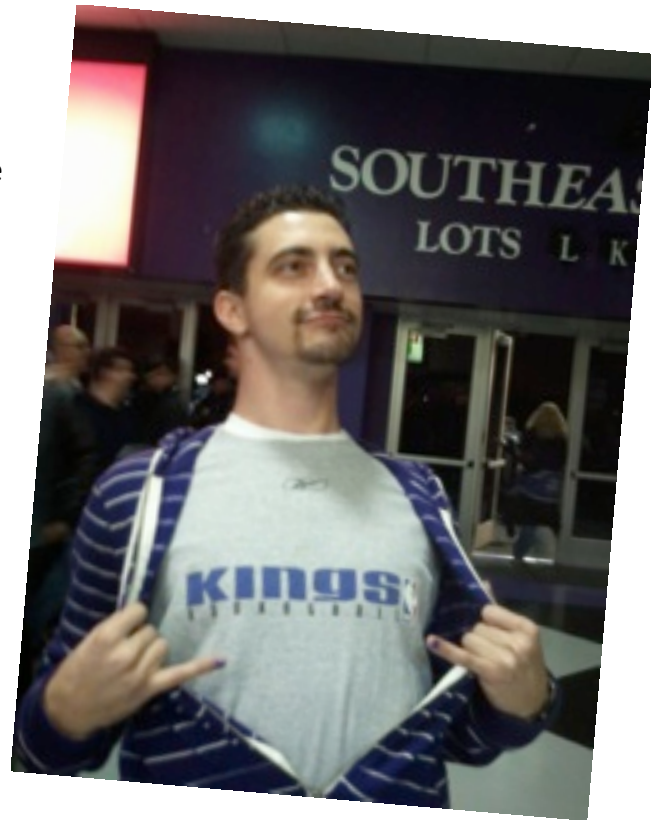
Thought

Bill Staplefeld offered up today's "Thought for the day".

Song

Cliff Straehley led the Fair Oaks Rotary Choir in our own unique version of Happy Birthday to celebrate our club's December Birthdays. See all the club birthdays and anniversaries on page 3.

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Ben, enjoying Rotary night at the Kings

Village Streetscape Update

Hello Fair Oaks Neighbors,

According to Ariza Construction, most of the Village "Streetscape project" will be done in early January.

The one exception to this is the installation of the decorative street lights, now expected to be completed in late February.

This estimate does not account for delays due to weather.

Happy Holidays,
Daneece Fraizer

Rotary Club of Fair Oaks**Birthday & Anniversary Report**

Sorted By Name

**Member Birthdays****Name****Date**

No members found.

Spouse Birthdays**Name****Spouse Of****Date**

Margaret

Monroe, Steve

Dec 08

Smallhouse, Dan

Smallhouse, Cathy

Dec 11

Anniversaries**Name****Spouse Name****Years****Date**

Blatchford, Charley

Judy

50 years

Dec 22, 1962

Monroe, Steve

Margaret

32 years

Dec 14, 1980

Join Date**Name****Years****Date**

Golshanara, Ted

9 years

Dec 31, 2003

Horyza, Joe

8 years

Dec 03, 2004

Johnson, Delores

12 years

Dec 31, 2000

Mark, Beverly

8 years

Dec 03, 2004

Vogel, Robert

29 years

Dec 01, 1983

President Elect Update

The President-elect's main duty is to get guest speakers for the club meetings.

This task includes soliciting suggestions for possible speakers from the club members; updating the Club Runner; confirming the speaker will show up; provide laptop and projector (if necessary for a Power Point presentation); introducing the speaker, and then providing a token appreciation gift at the end of the speaker's presentation.

And of course there can always be "technical difficulties". For example, Isabel Jacobson, our very impressive RYE student that spent a year in Denmark, showed up with her Power Point presentation on an Apple computer. Unfortunately, Apple computers do not connect with our projector. FORTUNATELY for us, she got rescheduled and gave us a wonderful presentation of her experience.

Other obligations for the President-elect: be a member on both the club and foundation boards, attend PETS training, attend the grant writing training, AND (prior to the beginning of his or her term as president) solicit club members to serve on the board.

Thank You,
Mike Maddox

Dear Friend of Rotary,

"Service Above Self" long has been the motto of Rotary International, and as members of the **Fair Oaks Rotary Club** we've been serving our community since 1946. We do a great job giving of our time and money, but our ambitious projects mean that we need the generous help of other business, professional and community leaders.

Our major fundraiser is our **February 9, 2013 Crab Feed**. This is our 23rd year, and more than **500 people** will come to have fun, eat, compete for raffle prizes and bid on silent auction items. We need your support, and hope you'll . . .

- **Purchase an ad for our program.** (Seen by more than 500 people.)
- **Become a sponsor.** (You pick the level— we promote your business.) and/or
- **Donate an item for the raffle or auction.** (Your name or business name will be featured in the program and with the donated item.)



CRAB DINNER Music Silent Auction MegaDraw

\$45 donation
Tickets available at 916 765 2567

Benefits the Fair Oaks Community

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www.rotaryfairoaks.org



23rd Annual Fair Oaks Rotary Crab Feed



Saturday
February 9, 2013
5:30-10:00 pm

Divine Savior Church
9079 Greenback Lane,
Orangevale

Maggie's "Fun Bus" proving once again that getting there is (at least) half the fun...



Rotary Night at the Kings

FAIR OAKS ROTARY CLUB

DECEMBER 3, 2012



Sunshine Report

Buzz McClain once again provided this week's Sunshine Report.

Charley is at home, Buzz suggested giving him a call.

Buzz reported that Betsy Alberts wanted to thank all the Rotarians who have helped her and supported her during the past week. She will be at the Christmas Party on Dec 15th

Bev Mark is recovering from for facial surgery and would appreciate phone calls!

Club Business

Beth asked the members to be sure to read the Acorn. It is packed with news.

Remember the Convention in Lisbon and register by Dec 14th

Children's Receiving Home gifts need to be to Maggie Hoy by Dec 10th.

Get \$\$ to Tom Rains for food baskets.

Ralph Carhart spoke about MegaDraw. We



need two more BIG prizes. Who do you know? Think outside the box. Also remember we have a Crab Feed Meeting Thursday, Dec 6th, at 6:00 p.m. at Russ Monroe's Funeral Home and everyone is invited.

Club Accolades

From: Bill Short <mailservice@clubrunner.ca>

Date: Saturday, December 1, 2012 11:35 AM

To: Beth Wilcoxon <BRLW@pacbell.net>

Subject: Latest edition of The Acorn

What a wonderful newsletter you just sent. It's one of the best I've seen this year, very well put together, very attractive, very readable, and very relevant. Your Remembrance of Tom Alberts was outstanding. Keep up the good work and a big thanks for all you do for Rotary.

-DGE Bill Short



Announcements

Ron Adams told us that our club has now taken on helping out at St. John's Women's

Shelter serving food to women and children. It is a set up so we serve dinner once/month, every third Tuesday starting in January. We need your help at 4410 Power Inn Rd., E. Sacramento. Contact Ron Adams to sign up.

Iquitos Report...Fred and Alice Rowe, along with Jim Cralle, have arrived in Peru. So far 60 chairs have been delivered with 14 more up river soon to be delivered.

Make a Soldier Smile

When filling out Christmas cards this year, fill out an extra card and address it to:

A Recovering American Soldier

C/O Walter Reed Army Medical Center

6900 Georgia Ave.

NW Washington, DC 20307-5001

We will pay the postage, just bring the completed cards to the Christmas party or next week's meeting and we will ensure they are mailed!

Networking Luncheon

Our December networking luncheon will be on TUESDAY, Dec. 11th at noon at Maranella's Restaurant (8928 Sunset).

It promises to be a great meeting - the format will be "table-top networking." That is, each table, with 3, 4 or 5 attendees (depending on the size of our group) will discuss year-end planning strategies, goal-setting techniques, etc. amongst their table-mates.

- You'll be able to share and pick up valuable tips for starting 2013 on the right foot.
- I'll hand out some "take-home" tips I've used with my clients over the years, too.
- If you haven't done so, please let me know if you can make it or not.

From past member **John Swanson:**

"I am overjoyed to say that I have retired effective 6-10-12 and cannot imagine why I did not do it sooner.

We have relocated to West Roseville... Please give my regards to the folks at Rotary."

Talk with Pete if you have any questions!

Visiting Rotarian and Guests

The club continues to draw large numbers of guests each week leading us to believe we must be doing something right!

Blaine Lamb presented a Paul Harris Award to his wife, **Rosemary**.



Rick Chang introduced our exchange student, **David Chen**, who is now living at Rick's home.



There was a rumor that visiting Rotarian **Dean Henricks** from Citrus Heights may have been visiting because his wife was having a "Hen" Party. This was not established as a fact.

Our other visiting Rotarian this evening, was **Pat Orelli** from Rancho Cordova.

This week's frequent guest and soon to be new member **Dave Clausus** once again joined us. We look forward to inducting him soon!

Associate Members **Debra Price**, **Betsy Alberts** and **Jim Wilcoxon** were all in attendance.

We had many spouses join their Rotarian this evening in addition to Rosemary, including **Joe Maloney**, **Peggy Monroe** and **Janet McWilliams**.

Bella Vista Interact President **Ramon Flores** and his guest **Lauren Universal** helped us bring down our median age once again.

Last, but certainly not least, our guest speakers this evening were **Lana Adlawan**, the new Fair Oaks Librarian, and **Bob Pitvorek**, VP of the Fair Oaks Friends of the Library and very active volunteer since his retirement in 2005 from a career in the computer industry.

See page 10 for a picture gallery of our guest this evening.

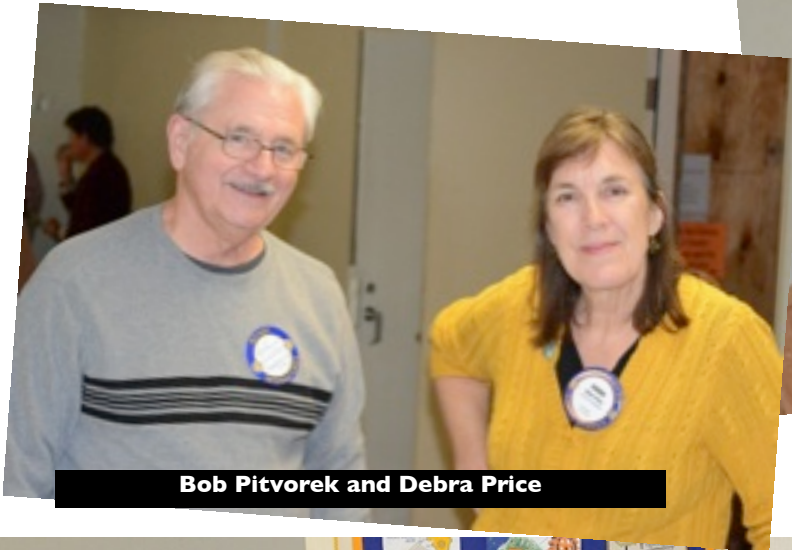
Guest Picture Gallery



Warren: "Why did I just stand up?"
Janet: "You're supposed to introduce me now, Dear."



Ramon Flores and Lauren Universal



Bob Pitvorek and Debra Price



Pat Orelli and Bruce Hagel



Debra, Bob, Mike & Lana Adlawan



Dean Henricks

Little Genius

Warren McWilliams collected a great deal of \$ as he fined almost every person for something. His last week as Little Genius is next Monday which will be our last meeting of 2012.



Featured Speaker

story by Bruce Hagel

Our Club has partnered with the Fair Oaks Library and Friends of the Library for a FAB project for infants, toddlers and their families.



Lana Adlawan is the new library supervisor at the Fair Oaks branch of the Sacramento Public Library. Ms. Adlawan has a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from the Pratt Institute in New York City. She worked in the central branch of the Brooklyn Public Library for three years.

Ms. Adlawan gave our Club a preview of the Family and Books (FAB) project at our local library. The library will have a kid-friendly space with seating, rugs, wall manipulatives and iPads for use by infants and toddlers (up to age 5) and their families. The space will use color, texture and light to attractively display books and materials for patrons. Children will be able to talk, sing, read, write and play in the space. These

activities will help develop early literacy skills, which are so important for future success in school and life.

Ms. Adlawan is enthused about the partnership with our Club and the Friends of the Fair Oaks Library. She looks forward to seeing club members working to get the children's section of the library ready for the FABulous conversion and promoting the completed FAB project in the community.

Bob Pitvorec also spoke about the Friends of the Fair Oaks Library. Bob is an active community volunteer and is currently vice-president of the Friends. The organization raises money for our library through book sales and is contributing \$10,000 for the FAB project. Interested Rotarians can join the Friends at the front desk of our library. Dues are only \$20 a year, so join up on your next library visit!



Speakers & Meetings

Dec 10, 2012

[Club Assembly](#)

Election of Officers for 2013-14

Dec 17, 2012

[NO MEETING](#)

It was two days ago!

Dec 24, 2012

[NO MEETING](#)

You should be waiting for Santa.

Dec 31, 2012

[NO MEETING](#)

Except maybe at The Stockman.

Jan 07, 2013

[Scott Jones and John McGinness](#)

Current and former Sacramento
County Sheriff's

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