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WHEW! WE SURVIVED THE CRAB FEED! THANKYOU TO ALL PARTICIPANTS AND VOLUNTEERS!

VISITORS

Visiting Rotarians: Glenn Fong (Roseville & Assistant DG)

Guests included: Maddy Wells (InterAct President), Ann Browning, Peter Schroeder, Jim Wilcoxen, Don Kicks, Jordan DeLanedy, Laurie and John DeLaney, Holden Hutchings and Ingrid Hutchins-Brosas, Cassie Hutchins, Conrad Brosas, Ramey Osbornes, Tucker Osbornes, Janet McWilliams, Elaine Rock, and Steve Monroe.

MEETING NOTES

Bob Vogel led the group in the Pledge followed by Charley Blachford's Thought for the Day. Fred Rowe led "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" and we were all able to sit and enjoy a fantastic stuffed-chicken and noddles meal with friends.

CLUB BUSINESS

Because of our giving - we now have a little league "farm team" with our logo on the uniform!

Maggie Hoy discussed the upcoming Rotary at the Rivercats baseball game and plans for a charter bus trip to be arranged. Sign ups were passed around. Reserve your spot now! \$20 per person for the bus ride, tickets to the game sold separately.

Maggie Hoy also discussed making arrangements for our group "camping" trip over August 17th weekend at Lake Francis Resortmore details to follow.

Jim Cralle passed around sign ups for "Rotarian at Work" t-shirts and discussed our ongoing planning for our day's activity.

Alice and Fred Rowe were welcomed back from India! Read Across America day will be Friday, March 2. Volunteers will be reading to all levels of children at Northridge. You can bring your own books or they will be provided to you. Alice discussed the upcoming Read Across America Day and passed around final sign ups. About 20 people have already signed up! Volunteers should have received an email already to confirm, but speak to Alice if you have not received confirmation and can attend. See the lovely Alice for more information.

Jeanne Maloney discussed the Peru GSE (Group Study Exchange)'s need for people to help host people in May. Please contact her to volunteer - the experience is well worth the effort!

The Crab Feed co-chairs, Bob Walters and Mike Maddox, were awarded their "trophies" -Fair Oaks Chicken hats!

Crab Feed results will be forthcoming, but it looks like we made more money than last year despite crab costing almost double the price this year. Great job everyone for your time, donations, and ongoing support!

DISTRICT BUSINESS

District assembly at Indurkum High School on March 24th (3/24/12) from 8 am - 3 pm. Breakfast and lunch are included. Beth has 14 people signed up with 2 presenters from our

> STARs will be scheduled and the date announced for those who have not been recently or are interested.

District Conference is May 18th-20th. We need to fill a bowling team and a golf team. The host suite has been rented. We will be decorating in a Hawaiian theme and need help putting together a decorating committee!



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We meet Mondays at 7:00 p.m. at the Fair Oaks Clubhouse. 7997 California (at Temescal) here for a map.



DRAWINGS

Shelley Matthews won the dinner drawing. Mike Maddox finally paid attention and realized his ticket had been drawn (to be fair, he was cleaning up at the time). He drew the 2 of Spade - the Ace of Spades and at least one Joker still are at large...

Cliff Straehley won an additional drawing for a Bella Vista InterAct Cookbook. (I have one and it has some great recipes.)

For March, our Little Genius will be the lovely Alice Rowe!

FINES AND SHOUT OUTS

Little Genius Bob Walters, standing in for Tyler Janes, fined everyone who laughed at his Chicken hat (which was everyone who had been paying attention). President Peter Romines was fined for giving out a *chicken* hat for a *crab* feed gift.

Multiple people were questioned regarding what year Rotary was "born" with a \$2 fine for wrong answers. Then, Fred Rowe was fined \$2 for getting it right. I guess you just can't win when lawyers are around!

Shelley was fined for her "work" vacation in Bear Valley. Bob Vogel was fined for ordering Little Genius to shut up when all he does is talk (snide comments ensued regarding lawyers...) Ralph Carhart was fined for selling tickets to and bringing "the disreputable" Ramey Osborn (former member) to the Crab Feed and again to tonight's meeting.

Cliff Straehley was fined because his socks didn't have any "personality." And the Rotarians who won prizes at the Crab Feed were fined for making it look "fixed."

Happy Fines:

Maggie Hoy's 5-year-old grandson is getting out of the hospital, but Joe Hoy will be deploying to Afghanistan in May.

Alice Rowe was thankful for her trip to India for immunizations and a great excuse to paid little kids' fingers with purple nail polish. (Okay, I made up that last part, but it should have been part of what she said.)

Tyler Janes paid a fine for being undercharged at the Crab Feed, and also announced that she and Nelson will be moving to Las Vegas soon for Nelson's promotion! We'll miss you both!

Joe Horyza is excited about the Kings staying and building the arena. Bill Stapelfeld is celebrating Bella Vista's wrestling team's accomplishments. Warren paid a happy fine that Bob Walter's won't be Little Genius next week!

Bruce Vincent celebrated Bella Vista's Academic Decathalon ("AD") team doing wonderfully in their competition, and Peter Romines celebrated the 1st Birthday of his 1st grandchild!



SPEECH CONTEST "QUALIFYING ROUND"

(4 area Semi-finals to be held with Finals at the District Conference in May)

Contestant #1, Jordan Delaney) did a marvelous presentation regarding working with the homeless and underprivileged children in multiple capacities.

Contestant #2, Holden Hutchins, spoke about making a difference through the unifying principle of the human ability to love.

Both contestants were marvelous! (Did you know the #1 fear of most people is public speaking?) While the scoring was the closest we've seen in years, Jordan Delaney ended up ahead by just a few points. Both contestants received certificates and financial awards. Jordan will therefore be our representative and the area semi-finals. Good luck Jordan!

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THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service:

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

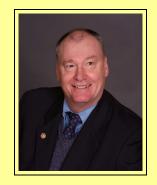
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