



# The Acorn

## Photo of the day



Our first "local cultural exchange" with the Vietnamese-American community...see inside for more photos and stories!

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### Club Meeting Info

We meet Mondays at 6:45 PM  
Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse  
7997 California Ave.  
Fair Oaks, CA 95628 USA

[Venue Map](#)

[Club Site](#)

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[District Site](#)



District Governor Bob Deering

**Upcoming Club Meetings****Mar 25, 2013**[Natasha Owen](#)

Russian Consul - Warren McWilliams  
80th Birthday party!!

**Apr 01, 2013**[Monica Wilcoxon-Eisel](#)

Tanzania: Connecting and Enriching  
Lives with Intel's Education Service  
Corps

**Apr 08, 2013**[Ray "Digger" from the Fair Oaks  
Cemetery District](#)

Overview of the the FOCD

**Apr 15, 2013**[Bill Wagner](#)

Social Security and financial info

**Apr 22, 2013**[NO MEETING!!](#)

Post River Cats "meeting"

**Upcoming Club Events**[District Assembly](#)

Mar 23, 2013

[Board Meeting](#)

Cralle Residence

Mar 27, 2013 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM

[FO Library Literacy Project Celebration](#)

Mar 30, 2013 12:00 PM

[Board Meeting](#)

Mathews Residence

Apr 17, 2013 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM

[Rotary at River Cats Fun Bus!](#)

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Apr 27, 2013

[Meet GSE team from Africa](#)

EDH

Apr 30, 2013 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

**District Conference - May 8-12, 2013**

We are going camping at the Hyatt Lake Tahoe in Incline Village, NV.

On Friday evening after our dinner session Rotarians and family members will be congregating around the fire pits to cook "S'mores" and sing campfire songs.

On Saturday evening our guest will be the "Ultimate Story Teller" Mark Twain who will entertain us with his down home wit and wisdom. If 80% of our Rotary Clubs have reached EREY status, on Sunday morning your District Governor will lead a polar bear plunge into Lake Tahoe before enjoying the Mother's Day Brunch lavishly presented by the Hyatt Lake Tahoe. All mothers will receive a gift!

To register for the conference and meals and to book your room...

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accountid=50145&pid=75322](http://www.clubrunner.ca/portal/SitePages/SitePage.aspx?accountid=50145&pid=75322)





**"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free . . ."**

*Dave Barr*

NOT! Forget what you know from TV, casinos, or street festivals. Fair Oaks Rotary members experienced our very own Vietnamese-American community "at home" - their turf, their element, their culture and language as they are with each other, and their food! - as they celebrated business successes and their thriving community at the second annual gala of the Greater Sacramento Vietnamese-American Chamber of Commerce in "Little Saigon" in South Sacramento. In an enormous restaurant with literally hundreds of attendees, we were treated to live music, a seven-course dinner preceded by appetizers, a bar, and even a fashion show!

Great connections and impressions were made, and bridges have been built for opening future dialogue with the local Vietnamese-American community, as well as all others that make up the incredible cultural diversity that is Greater Sacramento. From just straight good times to constructive community-service directions, we welcome all input on where to go next!



Hello to all of you.....First, Dave, we very much appreciate you organizing our group to attend the Vietnamese Event last evening.....what fun, with wonderful people and great food!! THANKS so much.!

*Alice*



Dave, I so agree with Alice! Friday evening was great fun and a wonderful experience! The fellowship time with each other was really appreciated, and I think we all met some great new people. Thank you for your inspiration and helping to bring us into "new worlds"!

*Beth*

## Featured Speaker - Greg "Coach Roz" Roeszler



Ron Adams clearly enjoyed the opportunity to introduce "Coach Roz", someone he has helped sponsor at several local Rotary clubs before joining our Fair Oaks Club.

As the founder of PLAYMAKERS, Coach Roz creates teams and systems to change kids in a positive manner using sports and positive coaching. Playmakers creates a team approach to assist moms in the daunting task of raising today's youth to become uncommon men.

He opened his presentation by talking of his own experiences with football and how important the game and his coaches had been to him. Using that experience when he was asked to coach at his old High School

Encina, he found a school that was struggling, and a football program that lost all of its games the prior three years.

Coach Roz focused not only on football, but the need to help the students succeed with their school work and life skills. He found that using football as a reward and training tools, students GPA's went up and behavior issues



went down.

He has incorporated those lessons into PLAYMAKERS where techniques borrowed from his coaching experience are being incorporated into reading drills.

Citing how only 37% of kids in 3rd grade read at the 3rd grade level; and there is a 70% chance those behind will never catch up. Improving those odds is clearly a passion for Coach Roz.

As a special guest this evening, Coach brought James Mann Jr. to the "stage" where he demonstrated his understanding of the core values the PLAYMAKERS program teaches as well as his poise as a speaker before an audience for the first time.





## The One-and-Only Cannonball Award

Who jumped into our Club like a cannonball? Who has been a member for less than a year and not a Board member? Who spends hours every week on Rotary, emails you on a regular basis and has more emails from me than anyone in the Club? And he gets District recognition??? This is beyond the ENERGIZER award...he has made such a big splash in our Club...this is the one and only Cannonball Award!

(at which point the bottle of Cannonball Wine was tested by bouncing it off the floor)...before awarding it to...me.

*Beth*



Keith, I agree with PDG Clarence about the quality of your club's newsletter. ... your newsletter reflects your club's distinct identity. The Table of Contents is prominent and clear. Each article is set off distinctly from the others, which makes it easier for me to get the gist at a glance. There are photos with virtually every article, keeping reader interest and I suspect club members' interest (who doesn't check first for his or her own photo!?).

IN terms of content, I appreciated especially the focus on new and prospective members – highlighting not only the person but the sponsor's take on the reason she would be a great asset to the club. You also captured the atmosphere in which a whole support group attended to celebrate the new member ... I'd like to spend some time with you to understand more of the process you are using, as it seems to me to represent some best practices in the newsletter department.

*Fred Teichert*

## Our club is Rotary Literacy Central!

Bruce Hagel listed many of projects that the Fair Oaks Rotary supports related to literacy, but tonight's focus was on the need for volunteers to sign up to help move the books back to the newly-renovated area this week. Please let Bruce or Debra know if you can help!

Jim reminded us that this year our Rotary at Work Day would be 11:30 - 2:30, Saturday March 30th at the Library, and we need everyone to turn out to help us finish the Library project and celebrate.



## South African school project

Our Matching Grant for the Janie Schneider school in South Africa has been approved by The Rotary Foundation. We are joining with the Rotary Clubs of Rancho Cordova, Arden-Arcade, East Sacramento, Roseville Sunrise and Orangevale in this great project! Talk with Fred for more details!



## Fair Oaks Recreation & Park District

Have you checked out the FORPD website? They feature our Rotary Club as community partner and we would like to do the same for them!

<http://fairoakspark.org/about/community-partners/>



## Help Wanted

If you enjoy the Acorn then please sign up to help provide content. Each week we have interesting speakers, stories, and more that deserve to be captured. Please take your turn acting as an Acorn reporter so we create the best Acorn possible!





This year's St Patrick's Day celebration as told in pictures...because I couldn't make it...and no one is talking...what goes on at the Clubhouse stays at the Clubhouse?



## Tonight's Guests and Visiting Rotarians

This evening we had two visiting Rotarians and five guests: J.C. Corcoran, Bea Maurer, Greg Roeszler, David Chen, Margarita Ioannesyn, James Mann & son

## Meeting Minutes

### Pledge of Allegiance:

Jim Cralle led us in tonight's Pledge.

### Thought for the day:

Bill Stapelfeld offered the following quote:

"The art of being wise is knowing what to overlook."



*William James*



### Song of the day:

Pete led us in singing (what else but) *When Irish Eyes Are Smiling*.

### Tonight's Dinner:

This evening we enjoyed fish fillets with pasta salad and green beans.

### Drawings:

Meal – Beth asked Ron Adams to draw tonight's ticket...and Ron Adams was tonight's lucky winner of a free meal. (Beth did check the winning number twice)

Ace of Spades – Peter Wick follow last week's free meal win with a chance to win over \$400 in this week's Ace of Spades drawing.

His luck ran short

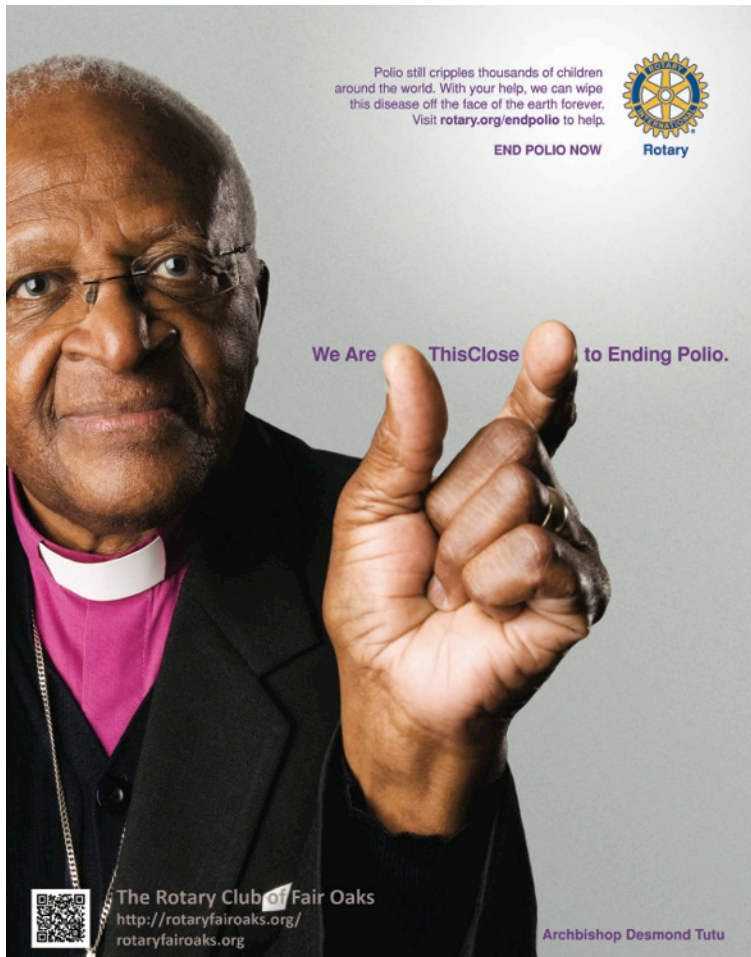
however, drawing the Jack of Hearts, allowing the pot to continue to grow again - already over \$400!

### Little Genius:

Past President Peter Romines seemed entirely too happy to step in for Bonnie this evening as Little Genius, and much to no one's surprise, raised lots of money by finding a reason to fine (almost) everyone this evening.





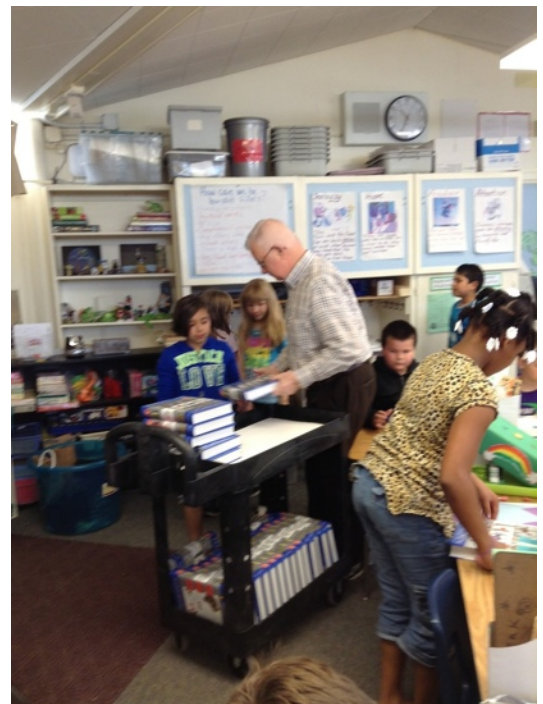


## We Are This Close!

Bruce Vincent has created the poster you see to the left which includes our club info to help us raise awareness locally. Posters suitable for hanging in store windows will be printed and we need your help getting them posted with as many local merchants as possible and arming yourself with the knowledge of this important program so when people ask you about it...we give them good answers!

## Dictionary Distribution

My thanks to Janet McWilliams for sending this picture of Warren as he helps pass out dictionaries again this year. As many of you know the delivery was delayed by the storms on the East Coast, but like the mail, Warren helped make sure they still got delivered to their intended destination!



## Heads Up!

Joint Club dinner for GSE team is CONFIRMED for Tuesday, April 30. Location might change from EDH to Folsom Community Center. NO regular Fair Oaks meeting on Monday, April 29.



**FESTA & VINO**  
a Celebration of Food and Wine

Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
6:30pm-10pm  
Scottish Rite Center  
6151 H Street Sacramento

**WINE & FOOD TASTING**  
Silent & Live Auctions  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

See Details Online At  
[festadivino.com](http://festadivino.com)

A Point West Rotary Event Benefiting  
Sierra Forever Families  
And Other Local Children's Charities

**ADVANCED  
TICKET  
PRICE \$45**

Restaurant/Winery/  
Sponsorship Opportunities  
Available

### St Johns Women's Shelter

Scheduled for St Johns Women's Shelter on April 16: Nita Castro, Don Hicks, Ted Darrow, Dave Clausus and Pete Schroeder.

### Central Regional Speech Contest

Some changes had to be made to the speech contest configuration of clubs. Our new, revised time and place are:

Central Regional

(Moderators: Mizell & Tracy)

Date: Thursday, April 11 at 6:30 pm

Location: SMUD HQ Building,  
6301 S Street, Sacramento

### Rotary District 5180 FOCUS Newsletter

The March edition of the Rotary District 5180 FOCUS Newsletter is now available! (Click link [here](#)).

### Cultural Fellowship Forum next Monday 3/25

Dave Barr will be hosting the first Cultural Fellowship Forum next Monday in the Clubhouse at 5:45 before our regular meeting.

### Golf for Polio Plus

Who's in for some golfing for a great cause and fellowship? Some Rotary competition? Please email Beth if you would like to golf at this district event, including anyone else that would like to be a part of your foursome.







## TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

Proceeds Of The Event To Benefit The Citrus Heights Rotary Club



### PROFESSIONAL TABLES & DEALERS

Event Sponsored By: **Lucky Derby Casino**



**Saturday, April 6th 2013**

**Citrus Heights Community Center**  
6300 Fountain Square Dr. Citrus Heights 95610

Appetizers @ 5pm ~ Poker Starts @ 6pm

#### TABLE SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE

**\$250 Table Sponsorship Includes**

- 2 Tournament Buy-ins
- Table Signage on Every Table
- Mention on Event Signage

\* Pre-sale By March 16th. \$60.00 Buy-in After March 17th

**\$50.00  
Buy-In**



☐ I would like to donate a prize

☐ I would like to be a Table Sponsor

☐ I would like to purchase

\_\_\_\_\_ buy-in(s)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

For more info please contact Rich Hale (916) 599-5457

### Joint Club Dinner

To be hosted by El Dorado Hills, Noel Stack is contact: 530-417-7005

Tentative date: **Tuesday April 30th** (Official meeting for our Club; not regular Monday meeting 4/29)

Location: EDH Community District Services Bldg (Pavilion or Gym)

1021 Harvard Way, EDH

Point of contact for our Club will be defined shortly.

### Library Grand Opening

Please put March 30 12-2:30 on your calendar as the grand opening of the Families and Books Center funded by our club and the Friends of the Library.

### Carmichael Elks First Responder Appreciation Dinner for 2013

*Come Show Your Appreciation for Your Favorite  
First Responder*

**Carmichael Elks Lodge #2103**

Date: Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013

No Host Cocktails 6:00 P.M.

Tri Tip and Chicken Buffet Dinner 7:00 P.M.

Adults \$18.00

Children 6 to 12-- \$10.00

5 and under Free

Make your checks out to: Carmichael Elks Lodge #2103

Mail: to Carmichael Elks Lodge

5631 Cypress Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95609

**PLAYMAKERS 4TH ANNUAL  
CRAB FEED/SPORT NIGHT**

St Vianney Church 10497 Coloma  
Rd Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

- Live Entertainment
- Live & Silent Auction
- Sports Celebrities

**SPECIAL GUEST**

**BRYAN MAY**  
CHANNEL 16 SPORTS

**SENECA WALLACE**

**DATE APRIL 6TH**  
6PM Cocktails  
7PM Dinner

**\$60 Per Person**

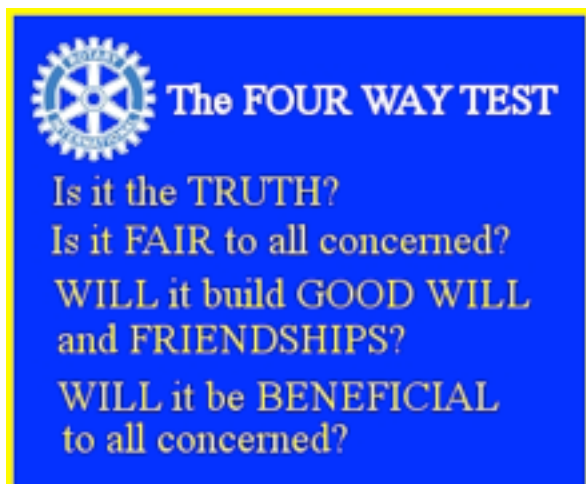
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