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## *Sheriff Jones "Sets the Record Straight"*

### **VISITORS**



There were no visiting Rotarians, though long time member Bob Scott paid a rare visit to the club.... can we get a plate spin next time? Our meeting was also graced by Bev Mark and her family, Jay, Sarah and Michelle. The guest list was long: Honorary Fair Oaks Mayor Linda Miller and husband Jeff, soon-to-be club members Don Hicks, Steve Monroe, Pete Schroeder and Anne Browning, spouses Jim Wilcoxon, Pat Vogel and Sherrie Carhart, honorary club member Virginia Grabbe, our own Noni Monroe and Daniel Savino, Carrie Johnson of Eskaton, and last but certainly not least, the great Dane, our RYE student Nicolai Nissen.



### **MEETING NOTES**

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Charley Blatchford read a thought for the day about making the most of the chances we are given in life. Fred Rowe, ordered to by Little Genius, encouraged to by the appearance of Elvis in a dream, and accompanied on guitar by member applicant Pete Schroeder, led the club in Zip-a-Dee-Doo-Dah in honor of tomorrow being the first day of spring. We ate a scrumptious meal of breaded chicken on spinach greens and pasta, with chocolate cake and ice cream for dessert.

### **CLUB BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **SUNSHINE REPORT:**

Maggie reported the recent motor vehicle accident death of Anthony Hernandez, son of Citrus Heights and Orangevale Rotarians Jessie and Angie Hernandez. Though not well known to most of our club, she asked that we keep the Hernandez in our thoughts and prayers.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Rotary River Cats game is on April 15. Cost is \$15 for the game and \$20 for the bus. Pay Maggie if you've signed up.
- Fair Oaks Spring Fest is May 7 & 8. Contact Maggie for further information.
- Club camping trip is at Lake Francis Resort, a roughly two-hour drive from Fair Oaks near Dobbins, CA, on August 17-19. They have RV sites, tent sites and cabins for rent, but they fill up fast. Just Google them to make reservations. Contact Maggie for further information.
- Jim Cralle reported that a valued member of our club, Tyler Janes, will be departing soon for life in the fast lane... Las Vegas. Jobs she does in the club, buying the food for each meeting, running the Senior Luau, and assembling the spreadsheet for raffle and auction donations for the Crab Feed (among others), will need new people to do them. If you're interested, call Jim.



#### **Rotary Club of Fair Oaks**

**Chartered January 1946 Club Number 0525**

VISIT US ON THE INTERNET AT:  
[www.rotaryfair Oaks.org](http://www.rotaryfair Oaks.org)

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



- Little League Opening Day is Saturday, March 31. The main ceremonies will take place from 9-10 am. Our club will present a championship sign to one of the teams from last season, and the league will present the club with a plaque acknowledging the work we did on the large diamond last spring. Plan to attend and wear your Rotarian-at-Work shirts.
- The District Conference will be May 18-20 at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. If you remember Halloween 2010 at Squaw Creek, this is along the same lines. Celebration, fellowship, bowling for Polio Plus, a talent contest (yes, it's true), and who know what else. If you can't figure out how to sign up on line, give Fred Rowe a call.

## DRAWINGS

The free meal went to Linda Miller and Lloyd Hinkelman drew the 8 of Diamonds in the "Ace of Spades" drawing.

## FINES AND SHOUT OUTS

Little Genius (Alice Rowe) gave fair warning and an email reminder to all to have worn their "crazy" socks! Those who participated sure did find some colorful items in the bottom of their dresser drawers...

Fines included Bob Walters for his no-show last week, thus failing in his duty to introduce John McGinness; also for fining a guest in his last appearance as LG three weeks ago... which was also the last meeting he attended!

Little Genius herself paid a fine because she was happy that Bob Scott and John Chavez were in attendance..... how lame was that!

Bruce Hagel was fined for still being listed as editor of this fine publication, when in reality he was sacked almost three months ago

Little Genius then fined all people who wore monochrome socks, and then supervised a contest for the most colorful socks at the meeting, which was won by someone wearing polka dotted socks, if you can believe that.

### Happy Fines:

Bob Scott paid because he was happy to be at a meeting again and because he sponsored the first woman in the club, Cathy Smallhouse, and noted that she is still a member.

Pete Schroeder paid as he turned in his application for membership and noted that when Bob Walters fined him three weeks ago (when he was a guest), it made him feel so included that he decided to change his membership application from associate to full.

Ralph was happy that Nicolai moved in with Ralph and Sherrie yesterday, and also because he had a birthday.

Bev Mark was happy to be at a meeting again.



Bruce Vincent noted the accomplishments of the Bella Vista Academic Decathlon team.

Don Reed was happy because of the get well card he got from the club last week and because the minor surgical procedure he had last week turned out to be really minor.

Virginia Grabbe was happy to be here.

Bill Wagner was happy with the \$2,400 the club was paying to The Rotary Foundation on behalf of the 24 members who sold ten or more Crab Feed tickets.

Cliff had attended the NCAA wrestling championships and noted that his alma mater, Cornell, took 4<sup>th</sup> overall and won 3 out of the ten weight classes.

Beth thanked Bob Scott for leading the club into the bi-gender era.

Pat Vogel was happy with the club's contribution to Inner Wheel from the spaghetti feed.

Maggie reported that husband Joe's (aka Boy Toy Hoy) deployment to Afghanistan was canceled.

John Chavez was happy that the bottle of Chivas Regal, on which he was outbid at the Crab Feed, was given to him as a gift



## ***SHERIFF JONES "SETS THE RECORD STRAIGHT."***

Beginning his talk with a wry smile and a twinkle in his eye, Sacramento County Sheriff Scott Jones noted that his friend, predecessor as sheriff, and current talk show host John McGinness had spoken to our club last week and had probably left us with a lot of "misinformation", which Sheriff Jones would be happy to correct tonight. He then proceeded to outline the problems with decreasing county budgets in the few years before he took office in December 2010, decreases that led to large layoffs in 2009, which were partially mitigated earlier in 2010 when the department was awarded the largest federal COPS grant in the country.

When he took office, he began to focus on the problem of youth and gang violence, and applied for another COPS grant in 2011 to address this issue. The department was again awarded the largest grant in the country, allowing them to begin a new three-part program consisting of an "impact division" of 28 officers from several jurisdictions, a beefed up intelligence program to anticipate problems, and outreach to youths in affected areas through such programs as athletic leagues and volunteer programs. The result: zero gang homicides so far this year vs. five in the same period last year.

He also discussed the problem of "realignment", the program under which prisoners are transferred from state prisons to county jails, a program he opposed and which he termed the "prisoner dump". He said that it's pretty clear that the program will result in early releases for many prisoners and, given a 70% recidivism rate, will result in more crime in the area.

He fielded questions about the use of drones and other technological surveillance modalities, the county supervisors budget priorities, concealed weapons permits and the California State Sheriff's Association. His talk was well received



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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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