



The Acorn

Photo of the day



Featured speaker, Cynthia Shain and cousin, Bill, pose with the Fair Oaks Rotary banner before the Foundation dinner on Monday night.

Ms. Shain was a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar in '72 who told the story of how that program helped launch her successful career in law enforcement and public speaking.

Club Events

Board Meeting

Rowe Abode
Nov 28, 2012 07:00 PM - 08:30 PM

Rotary Night at the Kings

Sleep Train Arena
Nov 30, 2012 07:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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

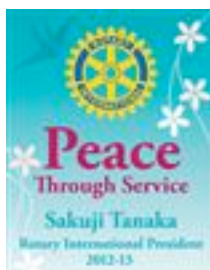
Club Meeting Info

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

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[Club Site](#)

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[District Site](#)



District Governor Bob Deering

Welcome

This was far from a “normal meeting”. Tonight was the Fair Oaks Rotary Club Foundation Dinner and Award event.

Meeting upstairs at the Fair Oaks Community Clubhouse, complete with cloth tablecloths, “real” dishes and silverware, and a fully-catered dinner, the room was filled with Rotarian dignitaries, award winners, family and friends to help celebrate.

Once a year, the club hosts this event which is unique within Rotary District 5180, where we recognize the many people who have contributed to Rotary allowing our club and Rotary International to fund the many service projects we support.

This issue is filled with pictures from the event; a brief summary of the recent Fireside Chat with new members; and the normal reminders and links.

For a more complete visual summary of the Foundation Recognition Night, visit the brief video hosted on YouTube by clicking on the link below:

<http://youtu.be/9swJvf5yjPw>

Opening Remarks

Beth opened this evening’s event by welcoming our many dignitaries and explaining that most of the normal meeting announcements and reports would wait until next week.

The one exception, was a request for anyone who could help with ideas or donations for our



Crab Fest Mega Draw to please contact Ralph as we are way behind schedule locking this down so we can print raffle tickets.

Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Howard Papworth led us in the pledge this evening.

Thought of the Day

Charley Blatchford once again offered the Thought for the day, telling us that it is humbling to hear the stories and the positive attitudes of the people still recovering from “superstorm” Sandy, saying he was thankful to them, this Thanksgiving.

Charley went on to share “A Thanksgiving Blessing” which can be found on page 3.

Song of the Day

Our resident “song meister” Pete Schroeder led us in “Let There Be Peace on Earth” in recognition of this year’s Rotary International theme.

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President Beth's Message

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this week, let us be very thankful for the richness of each of our lives.

Let us also be thankful for our Rotary family and Rotary International that provide the avenues for us to give back to our community and others around the world.

And let us be thankful for each of our abilities to give financially but to also give our time, service and love to help bring peace throughout the world.

Thank you for all you do for our Rotary Club, thank you for the opportunity to lead our Club through this Rotary year, and best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving.

Beth Wilcoxon



A THANKSGIVING BLESSING

May we be aware not of the things we lack,
but of all that we have.

May we feel not the absence of those we love,
but the presence of those who love us.

May we see not just the harshness of our world,
but the gentleness of its mystery.

May we know not the cold of despair,
but the warmth of hope rising.

May we speak not of our hurts and losses,
but of our healings and blessings.

May we be with each other not in the shadows of the past,
but in the light of the present.

May we bring to our table not judgment, resentment, or anger,
but acceptance, compassion, and forgiveness.

May we remember to feed our spirit by living out of thankfulness.
Anonymous

Sunshine Report

Ted and 1st time Paul Harris Award winner Neilu Golshanara were not able to join us on Recognition Night because they received news over the weekend that his father in Iran is not feeling well, so they left on Sunday to be with him.

Our thoughts and prayers go with Ted and Neilu as they travel and for their family.

Credits

Most of the wonderful photos that make up both this newsletter and the video came from Bergie Berggren and Pat Vogel.

Special thanks also to Beth for making the time to craft a message each week and for sending me her agenda to work from.



Fireside Chat

On November 18th, Membership Chair Alice Rowe organized a Fireside Chat at the home of Buzz and Bonnie McClain for all our newest members.

Rotary encourages clubs to have "Fireside Chats" for all new members.....and at this event we enjoyed appetizers and drinks before a short presentation by Fred that covered the "nuts and bolts" of Rotary, both of our Fair Oaks Club and of Rotary International.

After the presentation the questions and conversations continued over a wonderful meal (and maybe a little more drinking).

New members Dave Barr, Ben Bolton, and Todd Gaston, were joined by soon to be new member Nita Castro, and potential new member Dave Claugman.

In addition to our new members, Dave's wife Kiyomi, was able to join us as was Nita's sponsor, recently new member Patricia Barnes.

This was the third Fireside Chat as we have been fortunate to have lots of new members join us recently so thanks to each member for making our club so desirable, and special thanks to Alice, Fred, Bonnie, Buzz, Elaine, Vicki, Beth, Jim, and Patricia for helping to make this "chat" so successful.

Acorn Accolades

"Hi Keith, I just wanted to tell you what a great job you're doing on the Acorn. I'm living in Las Vegas now, miss all of my Fair Oak Rotarians terribly, and just LOVE receiving the Acorn with all of the news, photos, and "doings" of Fair Oaks.

Please relay my warm regards to everyone. And again, CONGRATULATIONS on doing such a fabulous job."

Tyler Janes

Former Fair Oaks Rotarian



Foundation Recognition Night

Tonight's master of ceremonies and Foundation Chair Bill Wagner, did a masterful job of leading us through a very full program of speakers and awards.

The night's program is included for your reference as you enjoy some of the many wonderful pictures taken this evening.



1. CALL TO ORDER

Beth Wilcoxon

2. INTRODUCTION OF DIGNITARIES

DG Bob Deering

District Foundation Chair PDG Jo Ann Lemmon

District Fundraising Chair PDG Clarence Parkins

District Annual Giving Chair Frank Woods

Keynote Speaker Cynthia Shain

3. THE AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR PROGRAM ALUMNI OF 72

Cynthia Shain

Past Ambassadorial Scholar

4. EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR AWARD

Frank Woods

5. PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING MEMBER AWARD

Frank Woods

6. FAIR OAKS ROTARY FOUNDATION

Bob Walters

7. FIRST TIME PAUL HARRIS AWARDS

Beth Wilcoxon & Bob Deering

Cheryl Atkinson to Leonard Atkinson
Bill Wagner to John Brothers
Fred Rowe to Bergie Berggren
Jim Cralle to Diana Cralle
Ted Golsbanara to Neilu Golsbanara
Alice Rowe to Virginia Grabbe
Warren McWilliams to Shannon Hedman
Joe Horyza to Joyce Horyza
Blaine Lamb to Rosemary Lamb
Fair Oaks Club to Mary Elizabeth McCall
Fair Oaks Club to Roberta Orr
Don Reed to Christina Reed
Cliff Straehley to Doug Straehley
Cliff Straehley to Maria Straehley
Bill Wagner to Cynthia Collins Shain
Beth Wilcoxon to Jim Wilcoxon

8. MULTIPLE PAUL HARRIS TO CLUB MEMBERS

Clarence Parkins & Jo Ann Lemmon

Charley Blatchford Paul Harris +5
Jim Cralle Paul Harris +1
Bruce Hagel Paul Harris +7
Blaine Lamb Paul Harris +1
Herman Rinkel Paul Harris +3

Therese Rinkel Paul Harris +1
Peter Romines Paul Harris +3
Alice Rowe Paul Harris +4
Fred Rowe Paul Harris +6
Cliff Straehley Paul Harris +4
Patricia Vogel Paul Harris +1
Eriko Wagner Paul Harris +1
William Wagner Paul Harris +8
Beth Wilcoxon Paul Harris +3

9. PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY MEMBERS

William Wagner

Bruce Hagel Peter Romines Alice Rowe Fred Rowe
Cliff Straehley (new) William Wagner

10. THE ROTARY FOUNDATION BENEFACTORS (86,000 WORLDWIDE) \$1,000 TO PERMANENT FUND OR IN THEIR WILL

Frank Woods

Leonard Atkinson
Charley Blatchford
John Chavez
Lloyd Hinkelman
Howard & Beverly Mark
Warren & Janet McWilliams
Herman & Therese Rinkel
Fred & Alice Rowe
Carsen Smith
Fred Vaske
William Wagner
John Yetto

11. THE ROTARY FOUNDATION BEQUEST SOCIETY (7,500 WORLDWIDE)

Clarence Parkins

Fred & Rose Mary Vaske William & Eriko Wagner
Herman & Therese Rinkel Fred & Alice Rowe
Warren & Janet McWilliams (new)

12. RECOGNITION OF MAJOR DONORS

Jo Ann Lemmon

Howard & Beverly Mark
Fred & Alice Rowe (new) William & Eriko Wagner (new)

13. CLUB MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENT

Clarence Parkins

14. GOALS FOR 2012-13 ROTARY YEAR

Beth Wilcoxon

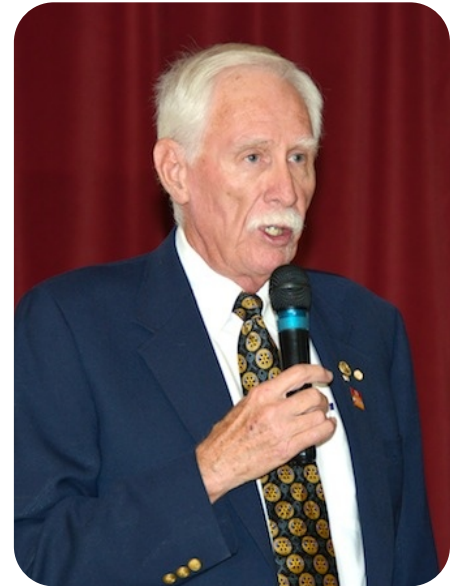
15. ADJOURN



Cynthia Shain, 1972 Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar, spoke about her travel to Hawaii for college and how her senior year in France as a Rotary Scholar gave her the confidence to pursue her dreams.



Bob Deering, District 5180 Governor, in cooperation with President Beth Wilcoxon, presented the first time Paul Harris Award winners.



Frank Woods, District Annual Giving Chair and PDG, talked about Every Rotarian Every Year and the Paul Harris Sustaining Member awards. He also recognized our Rotary Foundation Benefactors.



Jo Ann Lemmon, District Foundation Chair and PDG, presented the Multiple Paul Harris award winners with Clarence as well as recognizing the Major Donors.



Clarence Parkins, District Fundraising Chair and Past District Governor (PDG), explained the Bequest Society and presented the Club Milestone Achievement and Multiple Paul Harris awards with Jo Ann Lemmon.



Past President Peter Romines accepts recognition for the club achieving Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) Award status under his watch in 2011 - 2012.

PAUL HARRIS +1

*Tom Alberts
Jim Cralle
Ted Darrow
Ted Golshanara
Joseph Horyza
Steve Hoverman
Blaine Lamb
Mike Maddox
Jeanne Maloney
Howard Papworth
Tom Rains
Robert Vogel*

PAUL HARRIS +2

*Ralph Carhart
Rick Chang
John Chavez
Charles Gaston
Maggie Hoy
Cathy Smallhouse
Dan Smallhouse
Art Sutter*

PAUL HARRIS +3

*Lloyd Hinkelman
Don Reed
Herman Rinkel
Peter Romines
Cliff Straehley
Beth Wilcoxon*

PAUL HARRIS +4

*Alice Rowe
Robert Walters
John Yetto*

PAUL HARRIS +5

*Charley Blatchford
Beverly Mark*

PAUL HARRIS +6

*Bruce Hagel
Warren McWilliams
Fred Rowe*

PAUL HARRIS +8

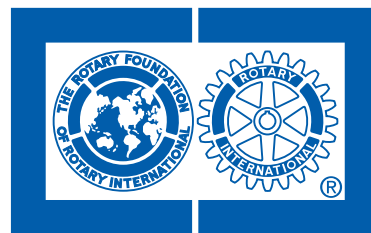
*Howard Mark
William Wagner*

FOUNDATION DONORS

EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

THE ROTARY CLUB OF FAIR OAKS

Foundation Recognition Night



NOVEMBER 19, 2012

Friends, Family & Guests

On a night like this, with so many people and so much going on, it is easy to miss someone. If you are not listed in the program and I have failed to mention you here, or I have misspelled your name, just [email me](#) so I can correct it in the next Acorn.

Visiting Rotarian and Previous District Governor Steve Lemmon, attending with his wife Jo Ann, who helped us present this evening.

Soon-to-be Rotarian Nita Castro and potential new Rotarian Dave Claugman.

Rotarian family and friends: Steve & Theres Barnard, Kiyomi Barr, Leilani Beach, Bergie & Penny Berggren, Allison & Brittani Brothers, David Chen, Stella Collins, Chris Deering, Ramon Flores, Molly Gilmore, Gina Haynes, Shannon Herman, Miles Horyza, Jan Kleczewski, Janet McWilliams, Don & Christina Reed, Cleatta Simpson, Doug Straehley, Pat Vogel, Eriko Wagner, and Vicki Walter.

See the next page or the [video](#) for pictures of our guests!



First Time Paul Harris Awards



Multiple Paul Harris Club Members



Recognition of Major Donors

Speakers & Meetings

Nov 26, 2012

[Mickey O'Brien](#)

Owner of Laid Back Cycles - talking about recumbent bikes

Dec 03, 2012

[Lana Adlawan](#)

Fair Oaks Library

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.

Officers & Directors

President

[Beth Wilcoxon](#)

Vocational

Service Director

[Pete Schroeder](#)

Vice President

[Howard](#)

[Papworth](#)

Youth Service

Director

[Tom Alberts](#)

President Elect

[Mike Maddox](#)

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[DPM](#)

Director

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Is it FAIR to all concerned?

WILL it build GOOD WILL
and FRIENDSHIPS?

WILL it be BENEFICIAL
to all concerned?

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