



The Acorn

Picture of the Week



Happy Uncorked Guests!

Friday, October 12th, everyone who is anyone came out to party at this year's edition of Fair Oaks Uncorked.

Great food, award-winning local wine and liquor, door prizes, and great service provided by

Rotary, Inner Wheel, and Interact volunteers had everyone smiling, and maybe feeling a little over-stuffed and tipsy by the end of a great evening out with friends.

See page 4 for more pictures and information on this year's

Club Events

Battle for The Oak

Bella Vista High School
Oct 26, 2012 07:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Safe Halloween

Fair Oaks Village
Oct 31, 2012

District 5180

Foundation Dinner

Doubletree Hotel
Nov 17, 2012 06:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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

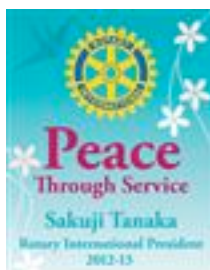
Club Meeting Info

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

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District Governor Bob Deering

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Welcome

President Beth opened this evening's meeting with a special welcome to Blaine Lamb, past President, who hasn't been able to join us for some time now.

We were honored to have an official visit from our Assistant Governor Fred Rowe this evening.

In addition to his normal duties as Assistant Governor, Fred was also tasked with providing updates on the NLCS game 7, but with the Giants already up 7-0, we didn't need a lot of updates.



Blaine Lamb

Dinner

Tonight we had Pizza and Salad from Steve's as the regular cooks couldn't be here so Bob and crew implemented plan B, another great example of our club pulling together to overcome a whole set of unexpected challenges this evening.



Molly Gilmore & Fred

Howard led us in the Pledge this evening, followed by Pete sharing a recent Thought for the Day from Rotary International President **Sakuji Tanaka** on the role of our vocation in our service to Rotary.

Instead of a song this evening, Beth asked us to join her in reciting the Rotary Four Way Test (include here)



Bob Vogel

President Beth's Message

From its beginnings over a hundred years ago, Rotary as an organization has evolved to stay relevant in our lives and our ever-changing world. In order to grow effectively and provide service in our communities at home and abroad, early Rotarians showed what I think is great wisdom in adopting 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?



I am continually amazed that, when applied without exception, these five lines can have such great potential for effectiveness within our Club and our lives. Please join me in reaffirming the ideals and core values of Rotary, what it means to you to be a member of Rotary and our Club, and your faith in other members and potential members. Individually, we have each accomplished so much in our lives, and together, as a diverse and growing group, we have made remarkable accomplishments and can anticipate a future of incredible service to our community, to other communities with greater needs, and to us as a Rotary family.

Thank you to each of you for your friendships, your time, your faith in each other, your ENERGY and your service. And I'm looking forward to embracing our growing Rotary family with friendship and through our shared purpose of serving our community.

...Beth Wilcoxon



Birthday & Anniversary Update

We still have many people who haven't included birthday and anniversary information in Club Runner. The November announcements are just around the corner, so if you need help using Club Runner just ask; Steve, Fred, and Keith all stand ready assist!

Fair Oaks Uncorked 2012

As you enjoy this celebration in pictures from Uncorked, we would like to thank the following people/groups who made it all possible:



Bob Vogel - Tri-Tip master chef.

Non-Rotarians:
Joedda Wick,
Beverly Purcell and
Betsy Alberts



The Fair
Oaks Inner
Wheel
members,

Interact
students,
and
everybody
else that
volunteered
at the event.



Rotarians
that served on the committee,
especially Peter Wick, Bruce Vincent, Mike Maddox,
Alice Rowe.

And a
special thanks
to all the
Wineries and
Restaurants
who donated to
this year's
event!



Membership Report

The Membership Committee has had a busy first quarter of the 2012-13 Rotary year! With two Fireside Chats (thanks, Bonnie and Buzz for the first one), plus a Membership Assembly with District Membership Chair Glenn Fong as our speaker, we have had a lot going on.

We resurrected, per Warren's suggestion, a Buddy System, and talking to Ted Golshanara last week, it seems like it's working!! I told Ted I was pleased to see he that he was attending more meetings, and he explained that it was because he got a call from his "buddy" (Carsen) whenever he missed, and he'd feel bad! So, success!! Good job, Carsen!!

Two members have been inducted since July 1st: Trish Barnes and Ron Adams, both looking like they'll fit well into the Fair Oaks Rotary family. We have applications in the approval process for Todd Gaston, son of Past President Charlie Gaston, and Dave Barr. Thanks, Jim Cralle, for sponsoring Dave. Ben Bolton will be another addition soon....and he should help bring down our median age!!

Thank you EVERYONE for bringing guests to our meetings, and even more, for welcoming all those who visit us in such a warm and wonderful way. You are the reason being Membership Chair is so easy.

...Alice Rowe

Rotary in the news

Rotary has made a new funding commitment of US\$75 million over three years to the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative \(GPEI\)](#). Rotary, which has already contributed nearly \$1.2 billion to the GPEI, announced the commitment at a 27 September high-level side event on polio eradication, convened by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon during the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

On World Polio Day (Oct. 24), Rotary International will also launch the "World's Biggest Commercial", an innovative, interactive campaign at [endpolionow.org](#), that gives everyone a chance to join Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Bill Gates, Jackie Chan, Amanda Peet and other world figures and celebrities already participating in Rotary's "This Close" campaign (as in, "this close" to ending polio) in raising awareness and support for polio eradication.

Hello Club Members,
With great pleasure, I would like to congratulate our Club for becoming the second Club in District 5180 to achieve **Premier Club Status in the Ignite membership program**. A very special thank you goes to Alice Rowe for so patiently and thoroughly taking our prospective members through the learning and application process and to Keith Walter for assisting and being the statistician.
Thank you to each of you who have brought the wonderful new and still-prospective members to our Club. We value each of you and believe our Club continues to get stronger and more capable to serve our community. I'm feeling the ENERGY!
Now, back to work...

Beth Wilcoxon
President 2012-13
Rotary Club of Fair Oaks

Guest Photo Gallery

Guests Trish Baldwin, Dana Smith, and Diane Koster



Beth with guests Linda Abdelbaka and Michelle Hiltl



Pete with guests Bob & Karyn Erickson



Fred with guest Dave Claugman



Ron with guest Leilani Beach



Guests David Chen and Ramon Flores



Announcements

The announcements began with a special Birthday, guest and Vocational Award Honoree **Stephanie Allen** was “treated” to the Fair Oaks Rotary “Choir”’s version of Happy Birthday.



honoree and guest Stephanie Allen

Special thanks also went out to Bob Vogel and team for creating a Plan B to deal with tonight’s dinner at the club.

Oct 27 will be our vocational tour of **Blood Source** located at 11713 Fair Oaks Boulevard. Elaine Rock work’s there and has arranged our tour at 9:30, but they open at 7:30 if people want to come early to donate and avoid the rush.

Oct 31 is the **Safe Halloween** event that the club is sponsoring with the **Downtown Merchants Association** and the **Fair Oaks Theatre Festival**.

Bob had a sign up sheet and is looking for Rotarians and any others they want to bring as volunteers to sign up for one or two hours anytime from 9 am to 5 pm. Set up will begin at 9am and tear down is also simple after 5 pm. Each child that

attends will get one of the books we have collected after the kids are taken through the haunted venue.

We will need candy (sugar free is accepted), anticipating around 400-500 kids, most with parents.

Effective **November 1**, the Rotary Club of Roseville Sunrise will be moving their meeting location to Gingers Restaurant, 1410 E. Roseville Pkwy, #140, Roseville. The day and time will remain the same.

On **Saturday, Nov 17th**, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM the **District 5180 Foundation Dinner** will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento. This event is focused on awards to the district clubs based on their donations.

Two days later, on **Nov 19th**, the **Fair Oaks Club Foundation Dinner and Awards** will take the place of our regular meeting upstairs at the Clubhouse. This event recognizes our members’ giving to the Rotary Foundation.

We also have **Rotary International’s Polo Plus fundraiser** at the **Sacramento Kings** game which will be held on **Friday, Nov 30th**. Maggie asked everyone who wants to join her on the “fun bus” to sign-up with her as soon as possible as on Wednesday she will open up the bus to other clubs.

Joe reminded us that **this Friday, Oct 26th** we will be supporting our Vets at the Battle for the Oak game at Bella Vista High School. The varsity game begins at 7:00 but the JV game starts at 5:00. Our club pays for any Vets who come to the game and we need volunteers to hand out tickets and flags and support Beth as we award the trophy. Joe sent around a signup sheet and explained people only need to be there for an hour or two to help. Dress warm - it may start as a pleasant evening but it gets cold by the time of the award. Maggie asked for everyone to go online at [KCRA](http://www.kcra.com) and vote for the Del Campo @ Bella Vista game to get “Game of the Week” coverage of the game.

Dan is looking for skiers to form a team to race on **March 8th** at Northstar Ski Resort. Tickets will be \$145/person and include all day lift tickets, continental breakfast, and more. Talk with Dan for more info. Family members and friends are also welcome.

More Announcements



New member Ron Adams and guest Dru Torvend

Dru Torvend, visiting from Rotary Rancho Cordova, spoke to us about their Kentucky Derby fundraiser, a \$7,000 prize that includes airfare, hotel, cash for two to the 139th running of the Derby on May 4th, 2013. Tickets are \$100 each and only 200 are available. Call Dru at 916-572-5260 for more information or to buy tickets.

Monday is a regular meeting - however Beth has asked us to come showing a little Halloween spirit - dress up as much or little as you want, but let's make it fun.

Fred Rowe, our Assistant Governor, began his announcements by letting us know that the Giants are still up 7-0 in the top of the 7th - and was then prompted to sit down after sharing the good news.

Ignoring this advice, he invited Warren to update us on the Foundation dinner - where we only have one seat remaining at the two tables we reserved.

Mike auctioned off the excess pizza, threatening to buy them all when the bidding was less than robust.

Two visitors, Michelle Hiltl and Linda Abdelbala from 20/30 Club, were able to join us this evening and tell us about the Black Tie Masquerade Carnivale Grand Ball, November 10th, from 7-11 at the Elks Tower in Sacramento. Tickets are \$45 in advance and \$55 at the door. The Price includes 2 drinks, and additional drinks will be available for purchase. Tickets are available online at

www.sacwomens2030.org or you can call the club phone at 916.658.9830. Beth reminded us that Kristen (Rick Chang's daughter) as well as Pete and Anne's daughter, Lyndsay, and her husband, Mark, are also members of the 20/30 Club.



Guests Linda Abdelbala and Michelle Hiltl

Drawings

For tonight's free meal, Carsen's guest Mehdi, found a way to draw Carsen's ticket.

In the Ace of Spades drawing, with the pot at \$320, guest Nita Castro drew the 8 of Hearts.



Guests Nita Castro and Beth with tonight's card

Little Genius

Dan had the pleasure of handing out fines this evening, starting with Warren, who once again donated for his hearty cheering of Little Genius.

Fred paid \$2 for watching the Giant's score a little too closely.

Everyone who didn't have a Rotary pin paid a fine, as did everyone who failed to wear some form of Giant paraphernalia.

Ron made the mistake of calling Dan, Dave, which cost him a couple of bucks

Beth paid for sending Dan an email where Rotary was listed as her "fourth priority" today.

Mike was invited to make a special announcement, telling all he will be retiring November 2nd from the Post Office.

To wrap up the fines, Dan auctioned off a Giants "power decal", won by Fred for \$25.

Ron paid a Happy Fine of \$100 to the foundation because his friend Leilani is visiting from Hot Springs AK.

Blaine paid a Happy Fine as he is happy to be feeling well enough to once again join us at a Rotary meeting.

Dan paid a fine for calling Kathy, his "lovely 2nd best", and Kathy paid a Happy Fine for the birth of their 6th grandchild.

Mike paid a Happy Fine to celebrate the success of Uncorked and all the great volunteers.

Maggie paid a Happy Fine for the great time she had racing radio controlled cars by the lake with David, our exchange student.



Kathy, reacting to Dan's comments

Visiting Rotarian Dru paid a Happy Fine in anticipation of all the Kentucky Derby fundraising tickets we are going to buy from him.



Little Genius Dan Smallhouse

Vocational Lunch

October is Vocational Month, and earlier this month Pete facilitated our first Vocational Lunch at Carmelita's. We had over a dozen Rotarians and guests attend and everyone agreed it was a great start that we want to continue.



The next event will take place at Carsten's office with an outside speaker talking about social media.

Vocational Awards

Pete, as our Vocational Services Director, announced we had three nominees and three winners.

Cliff introduced **Stephanie Allen**, who has the position of Literary Service Supervisor at the Sacramento Public Library where Cliff met her as a result of his interest in tutoring.

With over 20 million American adults unable to read or write, she has for many years helped volunteers and adults connect, so they can learn these vital skills.

Stephanie began by telling us she is simply a "paper pusher" and it is really the volunteers like Cliff and Alice who do the hard work every day and deserve to be getting awards.

She went on to explain that in most major US

metropolitan areas the adult illiteracy problem is about 20% so in the Sacramento area we have a need of about 100,000 people and we are able to serve about 250 with our current program. The program at the library has been in place since 1984 and the need has grown recently with cutbacks in other local programs. Stephanie shared a couple of success stories with us that are [captured here as audio files](#) if you would like to hear them in her own words.

Bill S nominated Dana Smith, a coach and teacher at [Andrew Carnegie Middle School in Fair Oaks](#) as our second award winner. Bill was not able to join us this evening, so Steve H had the honor of introducing Dana, who was joined this evening by his Co-Chair at Carnegie, Diane Koster, and his



school Principal Trish Baldwin.

[Dana Smith](#) told us he is a product of our community, growing up in Fair Oaks attending local schools including Bella Vista and all ever wanted to be was a Bronco and fell in love with teaching as his teachers were his role models and mentors.



As he thought about becoming a teacher, he began to realize the effort his role models had put into teaching and decided to devote himself to living up to their example.

His lucky break was getting a substitute teaching assignment at Carnegie where he has benefited from great leadership. "As an educator, you need to be able to make mistakes, and at Carnegie you can, but we also celebrate our successes." That has allowed me to be a mentor teacher and a coach. Let me brag about Carnegie - we are a "Schools to Watch" winner. To hear more, [click here to hear Dana's audio recording](#).



Last, but not least, Pete introduced our third award winner **Bob Erickson**, the current President of [DART \(Drowning Accident and Rescue Team\)](#).

Bob endeared himself immediately by sharing how much he was looking forward to our "fun bus" and how intertwined his life has been with the other members and guest in attendance. Many

people believe DART is a public service or funded by taxpayers - neither is true. It is a 501(c)(3) charity run and operated by volunteers giving of their time to help bring closure to local victims. Bob explained they have volunteers from all walks of life - they only have about 15-16 divers, others provide the logistical and administrative support required to keep those divers safe when the plunge in the darkness of our local waters. Safety is

their number one goal which is why they just completed an intense and very technical four day diver training program. In DART's 30 years they have only lost one diver, who was lost off Miller Park and was never recovered. But that is one diver too many which is why providing training, equipment, and support for these divers remains a key

focus. Bob thanked Rotary for the award but like our other award winners explained it was the many other people around him that deserved to be recognized.

Pete presented plaques from the Fair Oaks Rotary to each of our winners in recognition of their vocational contributions, which we are sure they will share with their respective organizations.



The Last Word

Beth closed the meeting by reminding us of the many upcoming events (see pages 1, 7-8) before Fred got in the last word, sharing the Giants were up 9-0 in the top of the ninth inning!

For those of us new to the club, or for those of you who have selective memory about last year's Halloween meeting, Fred passed along the photo below in case you need motivation or ideas for what to where next week!



Speakers & Meetings

Oct 29, 2012

Isabel Jacobson (recent RYE student)

"My exchange year in Denmark"

Nov 05, 2012

Tom Cicchini, District Polio Plus Chair

"Current Status of Polio Eradication"

Nov 12, 2012

NO MEETING

"It's Veteran's Day!"

Nov 19, 2012

Club Foundation Dinner and Awards

"Speaker: Cynthia Collins"

Nov 26, 2012

TBA

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