



Pleasantree

This Week's Program

Sandy Fontana



Concerns of Police Survivors
(A PH Rotary Community Grant Recipient)

Rotary Dinner &
Theatre Night
THIS
SATURDAY

Pre-Theatre Dinner
at 6:30 PM
at Skipolins in
Walnut Creek

ROTARIANS IN ACTION **LAST WEEK:**



Alan Thompson Reports...

There was a pitch by the Interactors to support the Mt. Diablo High School athletic program. Lisa was to e-mail Michael Huguet the info and he was to circulate to the Rotarians re a 5K run/walk to benefit MDHS on Sunday, October 18 at Newhall Park (sign up is \$20). The District needs to raise \$100,000 by month's end, or the sports programs will be canceled.

Jim Alkire gave a history lesson on what the club and Rotary were like back in 1975-76 when he was Prez, and the changes since then. The best thing was Rotary inviting women to join.

Tina gave a report on the Tahoe District Conference and what a great program was presented and what a great time everybody had. Special mention of the LN-4 project and the booth set up by Michael Mendonca.

Jim Blair was our guest speaker today and he spoke of his passion for beer-making and his desire to open a brew pub in Pleasant Hill. He also passed out samples of the results of his brewing efforts. (Note: The Interactors did not get served.)

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Be All That You Can Be: Quote of the week (in honor of Columbus Day)

"Every one of us has in them a continent
of undiscovered character.

Blessed is he who acts the Columbus to his own soul."
– Author Unknown



UPCOMING EVENTS

💡 Thursday, October 22 – Program



You Can Read a Face
Like a Book
NAOMI TICKLE

💡 Thursday, October 29 – Program

Area Clubs Meeting
October 29
DEEPA WILLINGHAM



*Changing the Face of Poverty
One Girl at a Time...One Village at a time...
One Community at a time.*



Born and raised in Calcutta, India, Mrs. Willingham graduated from Calcutta University and has graduate degrees from Miami University (Oxford, OH) and the University of Wisconsin. She has been an instructor at Santa Barbara City College; an inspector for the College of American Pathologists; and Administrative Director for Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital. She is also the Rotary International District 5240 District Governor Elect (2010 - 2011).

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE SUMMARY

WOW! It was **Hot, Hot, Hot** in South Lake Tahoe last weekend at the Rotary District 5160 Conference. So **HOT**, that it Snowed! And how beautiful it was.

THURSDAY

The weather was warm and we played golf at the most spectacular Golf Course, Edgewood.



FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Some Rotarians traveled to the Wild West Town of Virginia City. Others took a Yacht Cruise of Lake Tahoe. Still others enjoyed a Gondola ride to the top of the Mountain.

FRIDAY NIGHT

We sipped champagne at a reception just before opening the Conference. 15-year-old Braden Sweeney from San Ramon opened with a resounding rendition of *America The Beautiful*. Our Zone Director John Blount (below) entertained us and cheered us on for all of our good works.



SATURDAY MORNING

Our Youth Exchange Students paraded down the aisle with their Country Flags. They joined Braden on stage, as he sang *You Lift Me Up*, leaving us with goose bumps. Led by LN-4 President Michael Mendonca, the entire room full of Rotarieans performed LN-4 Hand Upgrades, it was fun and interactive. At lunch, the Rotary President's Rep, Lucinda General, gave a message about getting involved; and she paid tribute to many of District 5160s great projects and the people who lead them. Ann Lee Hussey inspired us and assured us that Polio Eradication IS Possible.

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Sunday, December 6

the annual

Pleasant Hill Rotary Club



Holiday Gala
Contra Costa
Country Club

Mark your calendar **NOW!**

DISTRICT CONFERENCE SUMMARY, *cont'd*

Then, it was on to the Breakout Sessions:

- International Vision Volunteers, eye and dental clinic for children in rural Zambia;
- Youth Exchange Students;
- Group Study Exchange from Monterrey, Mexico;
- Batwa Pygmies;
- LN-4 Hand Upgrades;
- Who Wants to be a Rotary Millionaire? (Pictured, below, with Faye Donaghu in the "hot seat");



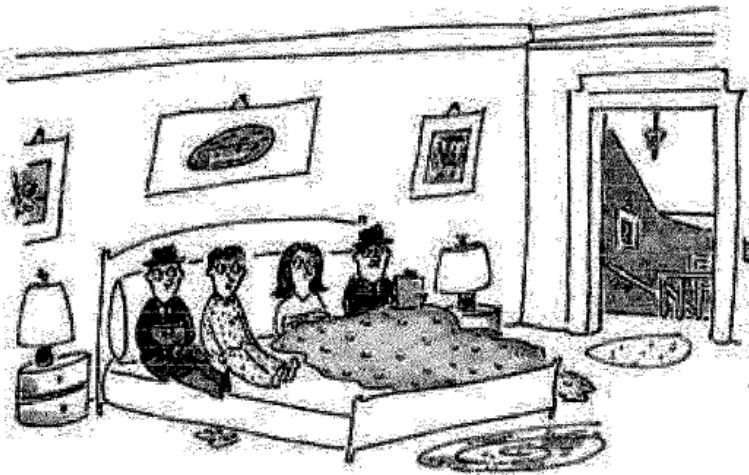
- Chat with Past Rotary International President Frank Devlyn; and
- Ambassadorial Scholars

We didn't slow down even through dinner! We paid a special tribute to our Past District Governors learning about their best memories as Governor. Past Rotary International President Frank Devlyn was our special guest speaker and shared what it means to Create Awareness and Take Action.

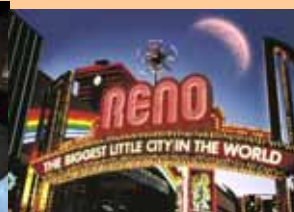
SUNDAY MORNING

"Life on the Train" was read by Past Rotary International President Cliff Dochterman, followed by a moving *Presentation of the Roses*, honoring those Rotarians who have passed away since April 2008 – including our own Paul Watt. Finally, Cliff Dochterman entertained us and inspired us, reminding us that Rotary opportunities knock; they do not kick down the door. It is up to us to grab the opportunities that come our way.

Special Announcement: Next year's Conference is in Sacramento. *Sign up Now!*



"Well, it strikes me as just a little unfair that you and your attorney have all the covers, while my attorney and I have none."



DON'T MISS THE RENO TRAIN TRIP

January 25-26, 2010

Roundtrip to RENO, NEVADA with 66 clubs from our District !

Looking for a Make-Up?



MONDAY

Brentwood	Bunker's Grill	12:15
Danville	Brass Door	12:00

TUESDAY

WC Sunrise	Scott's Seafood	7:00AM
Walnut Creek	Heather Farms Garden	12:15
Benicia	Benicia Yacht Club	12:15
Moraga	St Mary's College	12:15
Pittsburg	Delta View Golf Course	12:15
Diablo View	Pyramid Alehouse	5:30

WEDNESDAY

Delta (Antioch)	Lone Tree Golf Course	7:00AM
Concord-Diablo	NEW LOCATION: CROWNE PLAZA	12:00
Martinez	Grace Episcopal Church	7:00AM
Orinda	Community Center	12:15
Rossmoor/WC	Hillside Clubhouse	12:10
Alamo	Round Hill Country Club	12:00

THURSDAY

Clayton Valley	Oakhurst Country Club	7:00AM
Antioch	Lone Tree Golf Course	12:15
Lafayette	Oakwood Athletic Club	12:15

FRIDAY

La Morinda	Postinos Restaurant	7:00 AM
Concord	Hilton Hotel	12:15

International President	John Kenny
District 5160 Governor	Earl Kilmer
Lieutenant Governor	Tim Saxon
Assistant Governor	Steven Lack

Board of Directors 2009-2010

Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill

President	Jim Bonato
President Elect	Tina Young
Club Secretary	Stacy Antonel
Immediate Past President	Steve Wallace
Treasurer	Jerry Putman
Newsletter Editor	Steve Lack
Community Service	Norma Flaskerud
Membership	Pete Dunbar
President Elect Nominee	TBD
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Social	Stephanie Allen
International	Allen Vinson
Rotary Foundation	Raleigh Davis
Sgt. at Arms	Alan Thompson
Public Relations	Faye Donaghu
Historians	Jim Nunes Dave Tittle
Youth & Interact	Michael Huguet
Photographer	Eugene Whitney



POP QUIZ: ROTARY FACTS

Q: Paul Harris recorded a "Salute to Rotarians of 2043."

True or False?



→ LAST WEEK'S ROTARY POP QUIZ ANSWER ←

Julie Mason was the first female PH Rotarian in 1990. She worked for the Mt. Diablo YMCA.

FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD Week # 5



28 vs. Iowa 30



25 vs. Idaho 29



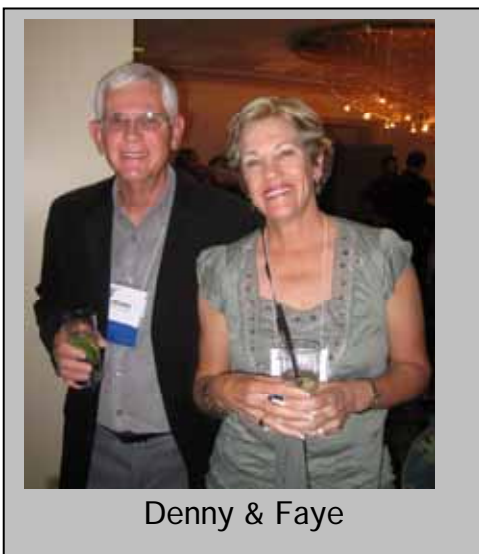
District Conference



District Governor Earl Kilmer Welcomes Rotarians to the 2009 District Conference



Ken and Steve help others upgrade LN-4



Denny & Faye



Bill & Delores



Steve Wallace & The Tittles



District Conference



The PH Gang in our hospitality suite with Dr. Scott Kellerman of Batwa Pygmy Fame



Betty Jo and Dave Tittle enjoy breakfast with Shelly and Ken Jacobson



Joe & Tina Young help others upgrade LN-4



District 5160 remembers Paul Watt and And other departed Rotarians