



## CLUB HAPPENINGS

### Madera Sunrise Rotary-

On Wednesday evening June 28 Madera Sunrise Rotary held its annual "Demotion Night and Officer Installation" at the famous "Mule Town" (old frontier town) of Rotarian Steve King. During the ceremonies 15 new Paul Harris Fellows and three Multiple Paul Harris Fellow pins were awarded following a BBQ steak dinner. Newly installed President Lou Weibe vowed to match or beat this number for next year's ceremony. This may lead to quite a competition since Lou's wife and incoming President of that other Madera Rotary club says her club can do better than Madera Sunrise can. Stay tuned for the "fireworks"

**Madera Rotary-** Car racing was the theme of the Madera Rotary Kickout Party for 2006-07 President Pablo Aleman. Pablo's "pit crew" and "sponsors" gave him some serious pointers about "Leading the Way" during his year. Pablo's love for fast cars and recent crack up in his brand-spanking new Ferrari fueled a good roast. Pablo led Madera Rotarians to the Most Outstanding Large Club Award in District 5220.



**Turlock Rotary** President Tom Sperry is seen with his wife of 31 years, Debbi, to whom he awarded a Paul Harris Fellow. He and Debbi first met and dated when they were attending UOP. Also, our program today was put on by Lt. Fin Johnson of the Turlock Police Department who is a long time member. The program was about the police department's SWAT Team. Suddenly, without warning and with a stunning "stun grenade" the SWAT team burst into our meeting and within seconds had member Jeff Barton in custody. It was a highly impressive demonstration of their superb skills and was one of the most interesting and enjoyable programs we have had in years.



**Ceres Rotary Club** celebrated its 30 year anniversary on June 30<sup>th</sup> at the annual Kick Out Party held this year in the newly refurbished Rotary Grove in Smyrna Park. The club was chartered on June 22, 1977. The charter club is pictured here at a Charter Night Celebration. The charter president was Gus Pallios, who has retired from active membership but still attends many functions.

Over the 30 years, Ceres Rotary has raised thousands of dollars to benefit the Ceres community and the world. The first service project during the 1977-1978 Rotary year was a \$1900 contribution to purchase a 'jaws of life' for the City of Ceres. Subsequent projects have included scholarships awarded each year to graduating seniors at Ceres High School, the implementation 20 years ago, and current refurbishment of Rotary Grove in Smyrna Park, a soccer field at River Bluff Park, contributions to Rotaplast, an organization providing cleft lip and palate repair in third world countries, wheelchair distributions in Guatemala, dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Ceres Elementary



Paul Caruso, pictured here with charter member Paul Larson, was Sergeant at Arms for the charter club. He continues his membership in Ceres Rotary and boasts a 100% attendance record.



Schools and Shakelford Elementary, sponsorship of City parties, school field trips, sober grad nights, sports teams, ball fields, the Red Shield Center, YMCA camperships and many, many more. The current club is made up of 32 men and women who further the Rotary ideal of Service Above Self.



At the Kick Out Party and Anniversary Celebration, President Scott Siegel was royally kicked out of office, and incoming President Liz Bunch was welcomed.