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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Congratulations Oakdale Sunrise Rotary, our 55th Club in the District. Their charter night celebration will held on November 16th at the Almond Pavilion, 151 South Sierra Avenue, Oakdale, California. Thirty new members, with sixty more hands to serve mankind. Welcome to our Rotary family.

This year is proving to be one of the most enjoyable times of my life. It has been a real pleasure to visit your clubs and present Paul Harris Awards, induct new members and present the Quiet Rotarian pins. Each club is doing their best to set new records and yet having fun and fellowship. Keep up the good work.

Rotary International President Bhichai Rattakul will be visiting our area on January 3, 2003 at the Double Tree Hotel in Monterey. The price is \$45.00 per person and if you wish to spend the

night, a great price has been negotiated (\$79.00). We need to make a great showing for our very special guest so please plan to attend. Reservations will be sent out with the hard copy of the Rotary Times as well as on the website. We need at least 100 Rotarians and guests from District 5220.

David Bender, Rotary International Foundations staff member, visited our district and held a brainstorming session with the Foundation Chairmen from various clubs within the district. It was a great opportunity to discuss strategies for the Polio Campaign but also to remind us of the importance of the Annual Fund and why we must make our goal. He allowed much time for questions and answers, which was most beneficial.

Your District Governor,

Dorothy Bizzini



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District Governor



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Eradicate Polio**

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HIGHLIGHTS OF FOUNDATION EVENT

The Foundation Event was a huge success with over 500 people attending. Over 300 people came early and viewed the Museum and Science Technology Center. Approximately 125 people attended the V.I.P. Reception and watched as 24 Paul Harris Awards were presented by RI Director Floyd Olson and Past R.I. Director Jerry Barden. Jim Anthony PDG was MC for the ceremony. A room full of guest watch while flash bulbs went off and tears were shed as Cathy Mascitelli surprised her husband DGE Nick with his second Paul Harris Award as a gift to him for their 40th Anniversary. Awardees ranged in ages from: 3 years, 7, 13, 15, and up. So far this year there have been more than 100 Paul Harris Awards presented.



Governor Dorothy, RI Director Floyd Olson and Past RI Director Jerry Barden with Cathy Mascitelli who surprised Governor Elect Nick Mascitelli with a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

Michelle Allison, from the Merced Sunrise did us proud when she led off the evening with her explanation of the Pledge of Allegiance by Red Skelton and her song which paid tribute to the Firemen on 911.

DG Dorothy Bizzini welcomed the audience and introduced RI Director Floyd Olson and Sandra, PRID Jerry Barden and Diane, PDG Fred Ford RRFC and Barbara from Redlands and all our past district governors, DGE and DGN.

Special recognition banners were presented by PDG Phyllis Nusz to the top three clubs for per capita given:

- #1 Gustine-\$302.59,
- #2 Riverbank-\$239.25
- #3 Newman \$212.80.

Top three clubs for overall Annual Fund Giving:

- #1 Stockton \$26,475.00
- #2 Modesto \$19,870.00
- Modesto Sunrise #3 \$19,390.00.

RI Director Floyd Olson congratulated District 5220 and their many achievements in the past and praised us on how much we have contributed so far to the Polio Eradication Campaign. Director Olson also made a presentation to PDG Joe Serra for his work with Polio patients and his dedication to seeing the Polio Eradication Campaign completed.

PDG Fred Ford, Zone 23 Rotary Foundation Committee member, presented a bouquet of white roses to PDG Phyllis Nusz for the great job she did in her year as Governor. He then presented DG Dorothy Bizzini a bouquet of red roses as a symbol of encouragement.

Bob Hope (Mick Gwen) kept the audience in stitches with his dry humor and tales of the 1940's. For those of us who were around in those days it brought back memories. The Pacoima Singers, who traveled by bus, then by Amtrak, to be with us brought a new prospectus of America from our younger generation. The 7-8th graders from a Public School in L.A. brought talent, old fashion Christians gospels, and patriotism to the audience as they sang and danced the evening away.

We finished the evening with the keynote speaker Gen. James P. McCarthy. For those who were not there I would like to highlight parts of his speech.



Rotary International Director Floyd Olson and PDG Jim Anthony toured the Castle Air Museum



Sylvester Aguilar, Modesto Sunrise, Keni Freidman, Modesto and Lloyd DeBock, Stockton with PDG Phyllis Nusz

"I would like to begin my remarks by acknowledging your district's contribution to the World Peace Scholars Program. Rotary's sponsorship of a two-year graduate program in international relations, conflict resolution and peace studies is a wonderful initiative. I am proud that one of the scholars is an Air Force officer. Captain Jeffery Whitfield is an Air Force Academy graduate and one of my political science students. The World Peace Scholars Program fills a desperate need for the nation to understand that other tools of statecraft are needed to achieve peace besides our military forces.

Too often we resort to our military to solve a problem because we have not invested in other means to achieve our national objective. I applaud Rotary's initiative in estab-



Gary Schmidt, Newman, Pat MacDonald, Riverbank and Alvin Amaral, Gustine with PDG Phyllis Nusz

lishing the program and thank you for your support, not only for the World Peace Scholars Program, but all of your many contributions.

For thirty five years, my business was being ready for combat or being in combat. In later years of my career, international relations became my focus. For the last ten years, I have taught Political Science at the Air Force Academy. I find it exciting and challenging and I have been asked tonight to give you some perspectives of the international situation and changes in our military.

In February 2001, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld asked me to chair a study on transforming the military. For nearly three months, our team of retired flag officers sought new concepts for war fighting. We sought innovation and creativity and drew some important conclusions.

We need forces that are more light and lethal. Information systems and sensors need to be combined to give us total situation awareness. We need to improve the accuracy of our weapons so we can use smaller ones, causing less collateral damage and permitting more to be carried by each aircraft or tank. We also need to:

- Ensure US forces have the capabilities to operate across the full spectrum—major conflict through peacetime activities.
- Significantly enhance operational capability by building a true joint integrated force capa-

- bility.
- Pervasive networks of intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance and targeting assets.
- Long range precision strike and information operations such as the B-2
- Able to cope with weapons of mass destruction (WMD), missiles, mines, and other anti-access measures.
- The ability to project power anywhere in the world.

The events of September 11th required these new transformational ideas long before we expected. Concepts from transformation impacted the planning and execution of Afghanistan operations.

In December 2001 Sect. of Defense asked me to lead a task force on lessons learned previously in Bosnia in 95-96 and Kosovo 1999. Multi-phased effort. December briefs by Office of Sect. of Defense, Joint Staff, Services, Agencies and CinCs into the AOR visiting 17 locations in 11 countries including Afghanistan, Pakistan and Uzbekistan.

Let me tell you some unclassified conclusions.

- This is a war against terrorism: Afghanistan is only the first campaign.
- The ground forces were indigenous and third world; US effort was primarily covert action, a greatly expanded Special Operations Forces role, and air support.
- Distance, time, and access were exceptional challenges, exacerbated by constraints imposed by some coalition nations 700 miles carriers to N targets.
- 9/11 events generated a supportive bias in US media and the public.
- Winning the international perception war was more difficult.
- Outstanding morale in our forces in the field: Great troops with strong leadership made it happen

Operational innovation produced important first:

- Carrier as a SOF base
 - Close Air Support from 35,000 feet.
 - JSTARS cueing of Predator
 - Predator video feed to AC-130s
 - Marines inland to new depth.
- Four months ago no one was talking about Iraq and inspections. Now virtually every nation is supporting tough inspections. President Bush is anticipating Saddam's game.

By the time we go to war, he will have international support. Coalitions will remain very important. More have signed on than is publicly acknowledged. Differences in military capability will be more apparent. US will do most of the fighting. Overall, this will be an easier war to win than to meet our political objectives for the long term.

As a warrior who never wants the country to have to go to war again, I am proud of our very capable military that can win any conflict. We are ready to go to war with Iraq if that is required. But we need to find ways to avoid war and I applaud your efforts. That is why the World Peace Scholars Program is so important to the nation."

Gov. Bizzini presented Gen. McCarthy a Paul Harris Award for his effort toward world peace.

Glenn Miller music was provided by Larry Byrnes, President of Angels-Murphy and his fellow musicians during the cocktail and dinner hour. The evening paid tribute to our proud past and bright future.



RI Director Floyd Olson presented an award to Joe Serra. Dorothy Serra is holding the award.

CLUB NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

MERCED SUNRISE SPOILS THE SENIORS



Merced just completed their 10th Annual Running of the Roses. Roses are purchased by local merchants, businessmen, family members etc. and Rotarians deliver them to their special friends. Roses were delivered to the Convalescent Homes, Hospitals, and The Woman's Shelter. It really brightens the day for so many shut-ins and it also brightens the day for the Rotarians.

OAKHURST SIERRA SUNRISE CLUB

Membership is moving right along in their club and their 12 new member goal seems very realistic. Four new Paul Harris Awards were presented and their names added to the Paul Harris banner which hangs proudly behind the Club President Don Olson.

WEST SIDE INTERCLUB DINNER

PDG Joe Serra, District 5220 Polio Eradication Chairman will be guest speaker at a Dinner on Thursday, November 14th, L.J Newman Center, 649 Orestimba Rd, Newman 6:30 PM Social, 7:00 PM Dinner \$15.00 T Bob McConnell Dinner Chair 209-862-2195 Los Banos, Newman, Patterson, Gustine, Dos Palos Rotary Clubs Host.



MODESTO SUNRISE ROTARY

Baccus and Brew was most successful as members challenged the bids on the many Silent Auction Items, as the liquid flowed and the fun and fellowship increased. According to DGE Nick Mascitelli, this was

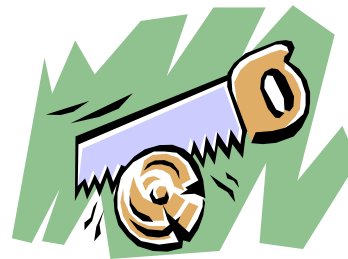
their best event this year. Great job members of Modesto Sunrise. Congratulations to John Anderson, a new Rotarian sponsored by Romy Angla.

LOS BANOS ROTARY

The two Mike's (Villalta and McCormick) are working in tandem this year to provide leadership to the Club. Mike McCormick was to be President but due to the events of 911, things changed fast and he was called to serve his country and Mike Villalta stepped up to the plate and is doing a great job. Congratulations to new members: Ray Heid, Los Banos Unified School District, Director of Facilities and Gene Lieb, editor of the Los Enterprise.

OAKHURST SIERRA CLUB

"Protect our Children" traffic signs are now posted around the schools thanks to Rotary, and what a great idea to call attention to schools zones where drivers seem to forget what the speed limit is. Pres. Nancy Brumbaugh presented an unusual gift to her quiet Rotarian. It was an antique saw with an inscription 'Mike Horasanian, The Best Wood Cutter.' Mike has been Chairman of the Wood Cutting Program, which provides wood to the Seniors as well as the general public for many years. He says, "there is no better way of helping others than with your hands."



NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH: ARE YOU ACHIEVING YOUR FOUNDATION GOALS?

In keeping with Pres. Bhichai Rattakul's theme, **Sow the Seeds of Love**, what better way to renew your commitment and dedication to The Rotary Foundation than giving a Paul Harris Fellow to a deserving person in your community. It could be a volunteer who has been giving hundreds of hours at your local library working with children after school or a person who has been driving meals to shut ins or a

school crossing guard. What about a policeman, city worker or teacher? An award such as this will let someone know that there are people who appreciate what they do and their job is very important. It is also a way to publicize Rotary.

An award will allow you to renew interest and understanding of the Rotary Foundation whose single purpose is to support the ef-

forts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace through international humanitarian, educational and cultural exchange programs.

This is the perfect time for us to begin talking about the Polio Eradication Fundraising Campaign. **Rotary will Eradicate Polio from the World.**

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP & ATTENDANCE REPORT

Club	Begin Year 7/1/02	Rotary Quest Goal 6/30/03	Aug-02	Sep-02	Diff	% Per Month	Club	Begin Year 7/1/02	Rotary Quest Goal 6/30/03	Aug-02	Sep-02	Diff	% Per Month
Angels Murphy's	43	48	46	46	0	86.28%	Modesto Gateway	44	49	44	44	0	69.00%
Arnold	20	25	20	20	0	75.00%	Modesto North	31	36	32	33	1	79.24%
Atwater	32	37	32	32	0	66.00%	Modesto Sunrise	100	105	97	96	-1	92.00%
Ceres	26	31	26	27	1	80.56%	Newman	25	30	25	24	-1	81.00%
Chowchilla	42	47	38	38	0	88.10%	Oak. Sierra Sunrise	42	47	44	46	2	71.00%
Dos Palos	15	20	17	17	0	68.00%	Oakdale	51	56	49	49	0	68.00%
Escalon Sunrise	22	27	21	22	1	75.00%	Oakhurst Sierra	54	59	53	53	0	73.98%
Galt	31	36	31	30	-1	94.00%	Patterson	34	39	34	32	-2	68.00%
Galt Sunrise	19	24	18	18	0	68.00%	Ripon	19	24	20	20	0	75.00%
Groveland	22	27	22	22	0	94.09%	Riverbank	21	26	19	19	0	82.00%
Gustine	18	23	15	15	0	70.00%	Salida	33	38	33	32	-1	69.77%
Lathrop Sunrise	22	27	23	22	-1	86.00%	Sonora	16	21	17	17	0	70.00%
Livingston	34	39	35	35	0	80.00%	Sonora 49er	25	30	25	26	1	80.00%
Lodi	106	111	102	106	4	76.20%	Sonora Sunrise	41	46	42	44	2	89.00%
Lodi Sunrise	29	34	21	22	1	75.00%	Stockton	232	237	230	233	3	88.17%
Lodi Tokay	60	65	60	61	1	80.00%	Stockton Delta	35	40	30	30	0	58.00%
Los Banos	37	42	36	37	1	63.00%	Stockton East	39	44	43	43	0	77.00%
Madera	53	58	57	58	1	74.00%	Stockton North	102	107	102	100	-2	65.20%
Madera Sunrise	54	59	54	54	0	79.00%	Stockton Seaport	24	29	24	24	0	61.50%
Manteca	44	49	46	47	1	77.00%	Stockton Sunrise	37	42	37	38	1	85.00%
Manteca Morning	24	29	23	24	1	70.00%	Tracy	69	74	63	63	0	71.82%
Mariposa	43	48	47	46	-1	78.00%	Tracy Sunrise	65	70	61	59	-2	78.93%
Merced	75	80	76	76	0	68.77%	Turlock	113	118	110	110	0	65.10%
Merced North	46	51	45	47	2	63.21%	Turlock Sunrise	59	64	60	60	0	47.88%
Merced Sunrise	22	27	22	22	0	62.00%	Twain Harte	31	36	32	32	0	80.47%
Modesto	259	264	260	260	0	81.02%	West Calaveras	21	26	20	20	0	70.00%
Modesto East	30	35	28	29	1	75.00%	Yosemite	14	19	14	14	0	48.00%
	1228	1363	1221	1233	12		Total	2605	2875	2581	2594	13	

Attendance Reports are due to the District Attendance Secretary, Larry Whitney by the 6th of each month.

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*** Note: **Highlighted (or Circled) Clubs** indicate last months numbers - no current report received

NOVEMBER CABINET MEETING

Quarterly Cabinet Meeting 10/16/02 Salida Fire House 8:30 AM. Be prepared with your reports and we will try to have you home in time for a round of golf or a relaxing evening of television.

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November is “Rotary Foundation” Month. Make your PolioPlus Commitment NOW.

DISTRICT DATES & DEADLINES

November—Rotary Foundation Month

- 9 **Livingston Rotary Crab Feed**
- 12 **WCS Meeting** - Barnwood, Ripon, 7:00 PM
- 16 **Cabinet Meeting** - Salida Firehouse- 8:30 AM
- 23 **Nick Mascitelli's ADG and Team Leader Training**
- 26 **All City Luncheon** Stockton Rotary Clubs- Noon
- 28 **HAPPY THANKSGIVING**
- 29 Rotary Clubs submit High School winning 4 Way Test Essays to Ron Moore, District Vocational Service Chairman

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