



# Crow's Call



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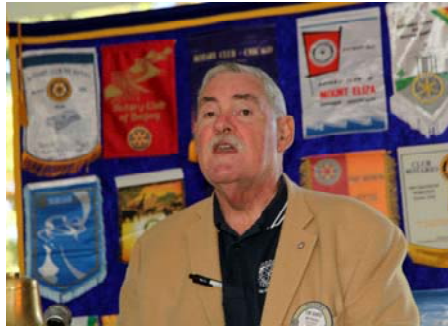
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## **Rotary Meeting - November 19th by Marie Galbo**



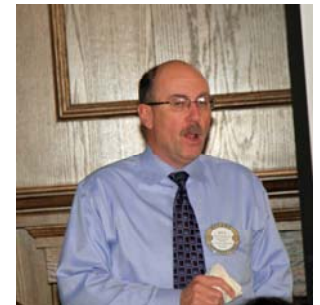
President Bill "The Bard" Harlan welcomed all to the Club and introduced former member, now visiting Rotarian and fill-in greeter, Michael Heller. Rob Scott was a bit tardy and had a non-member step in to greet (\$50) but Michael had a great

time seeing everyone at the door and leading the flag salute. Visiting Rotarians included both Michael Heller and Bill Erne of the Lafayette Club. Visitors include Chris Gaylor (George), Mark Ballook (Paula), Lien Celi (Pam), Jean Ohman and Pat Boom (Bill Clarkson).



### **Announcements:**

December 10- Committee Service Awards-Contact Bill Clarkson



District 5160 has approved a grant for housing 60 to 80 homeless children in South Africa. A big thanks to Kathy Gailey and Michael Prilutsky for their efforts in making this a success.

David Quick is taking sign-ups for the Tree Farm...please sign up on line as there are still many slots open.



**Service Above Self**



Spike Stevens is working with the Interact Club on their Holiday project. which is to help Seniors wrap their Christmas presents at the Senior Center.

Dictionaries- Spike and Chrissy had a very rewarding experience

RI Contribution-Contact John Sims if you wish to make your contribution by December 15 in order to have it as a write off for 2009.

Rotary Alliance-Hermann Welm needs two volunteers for the Business to Business Pageant on December 13 from 5-8 PM.

One Warm Coat-reminder that the evening Club has a barrel at the entrance to CCCC.

San Ramon SeniorCenter Lunch –Cho/Marie-  
December 17 @ noon. Watch for sign-ups.



Resignations-President Bill regrettably announced the resignations of Bob Desautels ( health reasons) and Steve Renfro ( business commitments)

Reno train Trip-Randy Perkins will forward email information for the trip scheduled for January 24-25.

Holiday party at the Tatum's home on Saturday, December 12. Ana Dominquez will have the invitations out shortly.

Contact the Bard if you are interested in serving on the Board for 2010-2011.



Honorary Rotarian-contact Horace if you wish to nominate someone for this high honor.

Due to the recent resignation of Bob Desautels, nominations for President-elect for 2010-2011 were taken from the floor. Jeff Disch nominated Dennis Garrison, seconded and approved by the membership. Dennis was elected by acclamation.



Guest speakers, Jean Ohman and Pat Boom, from The San Ramon Historic Foundation presented the history and slide show of the site. In 1929, Ruth married Travis Boone and moved to the walnut and grain farm to help save it during the depression. Travis died in 1981 and in his name, Ruth donated the property to the City of San Ramon in a life estate. She lived in the home until her death at the age of 98. The David Glass home was built in 1877 and moved to the Boone farm in 1999. The site depicts history in the late 1800's and early 1900's. It is used for education and to bring local history alive as it is one of few historical sites in this area. It has the largest tractor museum in the East Bay. The City owns and maintains the property and the Foundation raises money to make improvements. The David Glass open house will be held May 15, 2010 and a popular farmer's market are held on the site weekly.





# San Ramon Rotarian of the Week



**This week, December 3, 2009, you will be greeted by Paula Silva**

**Here are some things you should know about Paula:**

**Paula has been a member of our club since, May 2009**

**Classification: Banking**

Paula was born and raised in Hayward. She received a B.A. degree from The University of California Berkeley with a major in Political Economy of Industrial Societies. She became a Retail Personal Banker earlier this year after working for the Oakland Raiders selling their Luxury Suites at the coliseum.

She lives in Pleasanton with the love of her life, Scout, a three year old boxer. Paula is also known in her community as a former Miss America Representative from her year of service as Miss Oakland 2007.

Paula is a banker for Comerica Bank in San Ramon. Before entering the banking field this year, Paula worked for the largest Technical Recruiting Company in the nation, Aerotek, right in the heart of Bishop Ranch. She managed a team of 7 recruiters to staff for manufacturing, medical device, and electronic companies. After that Paula went to live out her dream of working for the legendary Oakland Raiders.

Paula is very active within her community. She is a mentor for patients at Children's Hospital in Oakland and continues to assist in the Miss Oakland Scholarship Pageant. She is a member of the San Ramon Chamber and is very active in participating with Junior Achievement. When she is not busy you can find her playing on the San Ramon Competitive Coed Soccer and Soft-ball teams

# About Rotary!

An Excerpt from: A CENTURY OF SERVICE - The Story of Rotary International, by David C. Forward

## The Architect and the Builders

*(The first Rotary Convention was underway in Chicago, in August, 1910. Important work, such as establishing the fundamental laws of the association, was being undertaken. There was also a "peppery" atmosphere, with an abundance of sharing, fellowship, and fun.)*

In the end, delegates adopted the constitution and bylaws and the formation of the National Association of Rotary Clubs of America. They unanimously elected their first slate of officers, naming Paul Harris as president.

. . . *(After the convention broke up)* the newly elected Board of Directors remained and had its first meeting the next day. The first order of business was to approve reimbursement to the Rotary Club of Chicago of the almost \$360 it had spent to organize the convention. It then turned to finding a secretary to run the association. To the directors it seemed there was one obvious choice: Chesley Perry. No sooner had Ches returned to his workplace than he received a message asking him to go to Paul Harris's office where the Board was meeting. They asked him to accept the position temporarily until they could find a suitable candidate.

His "temporary" post lasted 32 years. . . . *(He)* was reelected as secretary . . . at the 1911 Rotary Convention, . . . and every year thereafter until he insisted on retiring in 1942, at the age of 65.

. . . . *(Initially)* . . . Ches conducted all Rotary work from his own office at 189 La Salle Street. What started with a card box and correspondence file atop his desk soon became filing cabinets and cartons of paperwork. Ches reported that in his first year as secretary he had handled 2,500 incoming -- and written more than 6,000 outgoing -- letters on a single typewriter

*(To be Continued)*

## ***Did you Know?***

At the 1910 Convention, an enthusiastic after-dinner keynote speaker, Daniel L Cady, of the Rotary Club of New York, predicted that "within 80 years, Rotary will encircle the earth," and that there would be 1,000 clubs! He was a bit off in his prediction: the 1,000<sup>th</sup> Rotary club was actually formed in 1921.

**Shared by Hermann Welm**

Meeting: Thursday, 12:15  
Crow Canyon Country Club  
711 Silver Lake Dr, Danville

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## San Ramon Rotary

### Greeter Protocol

When you are blessed with the duty of being our greeter, you should remember the following: (1) You should be at the meeting by 11:45 am in order to greet everyone as they come to the meeting. (2) You should bring a "greeter's gift". The gift should be approximately \$20.00 in value. (3) You will be leading the flag salute, giving the inspiration, and introducing the visiting Rotarians. It is a good idea to watch the visiting Rotarians sign in, so that you can ask them about any complicated names or classifications, or just plain BAD handwriting. sly

Is it the truth?  
Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill better friendships?  
Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

### Future Programs:

Dec 3rd Election of Officers  
Dec 10th Bill Spaulding - Rotary Medical  
Dec 17th Lunch at San Ramon Senior Center  
Dec 31st Ken Mintz - Telecommunication Update

### Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

December 12th Holiday Party - John Tatum  
December 17th Lunch at San Ramon Senior Center  
January 24th/25th Reno Train Trip

### Schedule of Greeters

December 3rd Paula Silva  
December 10th Lucky Sandhu

