



Crow's Call



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Rotary Meeting — November 4th by Dr. Bill Harlan



The musical "clunk" of **Dennis Garrison's** new bell wafted through the room, calling the meeting to order. After reminding all present to check their flies, the Menace announced that **John Tatum** had agreed to serve as president after Spike's term. General jubilation followed.

Greeter **Karen McNamara** shared the Thought for the Day from the Declaration of Independence, "We hold these truths to be self-evident." **Guy Greco** worked his magic one last time this season with "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" as our patriotic song.



Visiting Rotarians included Jack Luteman and Shreeni from the Rotary Club of Bombay, India. He described for us his club, one of the largest in the world with 340 members. Guests included **Darlene ("Bambi") Gaylor** and **Terry Koehne**. **Ana Domingues** led her table in a rousing "Aloha" greeting.

Announcements:

Lucky Sandhu will host a "thank you" party at his place for the Carboload planning group on 11/12.

Geoff Johnson circulated a sign-up sheet for the Senior Holiday luncheon on 12/9 at Senior Center.



Service Above Self



Randy Perkins has only a few spaces left for the Reno Train trip on 1/21-22 for \$300.

Chris Gallagher pronounced the Halloween Party so successful Renee said she would host it again.



John Sims reminds us we have only two more months to get our Foundation contribution in for taxes. **Spike** needs someone to drive five Interact kids to Sacramento this Sunday for the Interact Convention.

Recognitions:

Tom Port was recognized for failure to come to a complete stop on his way to the Halloween party. **aren of McNamara** was recognized for getting the Crow's Call into Jim Livingstone late. **Glen Weber** was harassed and recognized for Purdue's loss this last weekend. (Navy also lost!) **Don Jones** was recognized because his wife Cynthia got to attend one of the Series games.

Presentations:



Terry Koehne was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship for his work with our club.

Spike introduced **Eileen Mann**, Leadership teacher at Cal High. She in turn introduced us to our Students of the Month, **Cameron Ambler** and **Nitin Yenigalla**. These two organized the Homecoming Dance at the school. The task involved a lot of logistics and marketing, and 1750 students attended the event.





Gary Sloan introduced our speaker, **Fred La Cosse**, a former newscaster and TV personality in the Bay Area. Fred did a dramatic program of conversations with our founding fathers and one mother. The list included Ben Franklin, Patrick Henry, Samuel Adams, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Abigail Adams, James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Paine and George Washington. La Cosse blended quotations with informal banter to cover the highpoints in the history of our country from the initial opposition to the Stamp Act in 1769 through the adoption of the Constitution. He also touched on the resolution of the issues of slavery and women's suffrage within the framework of the Bill of Rights. Fred emphasized the importance of the concept of consent of the governed

in the foundation of our republican form of government. He also showed the many political compromises that had to be worked out in order to win approval for the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. He urged that we educate young people in their essential role in fostering our political institutions and developing critical thinking skills with which to help make sound decisions. More information is available at Fred La Cosse's website: www.lacosse.net.

The raffle was won by Rob Scott (an IOU from Karen McNamara) and Randy Perkins (who blew the progressive question). The Club anxiously awaits this long-overdue correspondent winning another raffle.

Meeting: Thursday, 12:15
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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. rtt

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:

Nov. 11th - Carla Goulart - Sentinals of Freedom

Nov. 18th - Charles Anderson - Company C Contemporary Ballet

Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

Thanksgiving November 25th - NO MEETING

Schedule of Greeters

November 11th Fred Nevarez
November 18th Pat Paterson

