



# Crow's Call



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## **Rotary Meeting — December 8th by Hermann Welm**



In President "Trixie" Stevens' absence, our esteemed President-Elect, **John Tatum**, called the meeting to order.

Our Greeter, **Patti Hennigan**, gave us her Thought for the Day, by Aristotle: "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit." This was followed by the salute to the Flag.



The Patriotic Song, "God Bless America," was selected and ably led by **PP Don Jones**.

Visiting Rotarians: **Grahame Henderson**, from the Peebles (Scotland) Rotary Club, who is visiting his son and family, employed by Chevron. This was his second visit with us this year and his 7<sup>th</sup> visit in total.

Other Visitors: **Brian Lindblom**, Honorary Rotarian and **Joanne Lagerstrom**, of Fresh Start; both will be speakers. **Tom Ash**, and his parents, **Lisa** and **Phil Ash**, as well as Cal High staffers, **Laura Wood** and **Pete**, who all joined us for the Student of the Month presentation.

**Service Above Self**

Blue Badge Presentation: **PE Tatum** asked **PP Chris "The Viking" Gallagher** to present **Steve Glaski** with his Blue Badge. **Steve** once again showed that young Rotarians have absolutely no problem memorizing the Four-Way Test.



Induction of the 2012/13 Board of Directors: **PE Tatum** introduced his Board and, there being no nominations from the floor, they were confirmed by unanimous consent. They are:

President-Elect:	<b>Barry Toby</b>
Secretary:	<b>Dr. Bill</b>
Treasurer:	<b>Jeff Disch</b>
Sergeant at Arms:	<b>Chris Gayler</b>
Communications:	<b>Terry Koehne</b>
Community Service:	<b>Paula-Sue Silva</b>
Leadership:	<b>Patti Hennigan</b>
Membership:	<b>Guy Greco</b>
Club Service:	<b>Steve Wilcox</b>
International:	<b>Kathy Gailey</b>





**Patti Hennigan** asked **Laura Woods**, Cal High's Drama Teacher, to introduce **Tom Ash**, the Student of the Month. **Tom** is taking a curriculum heavy in engineering and hopes to attend either USC or Loyola. His participation in the Drama Department has been more behind the scenes as Stage Manager, Set Director and in the Scene Shop. He is able to put a lot of his technical knowledge to use in these arenas.

Pre-Program Program: **Brian Lindblom** spoke about his involvement in the Juvenile Hall Auxiliary which provides support for incarcerated youth, as well as those assigned to foster homes. Our club has been supporting them financially over the years, as well as members providing useful items for both boys and girls. These include toiletries, personal grooming items, clothing, games, books school supplies, and gift cards. Checks, made payable to "Juvenile Hall Auxiliary," and/or the items mentioned above can be given to **Rick Probert**. He will see that they get to the right place. (NOTE: clothing items should not be in either red or blue colors.)



Program: **Gary Sloan** introduced our **Horace Crawford** and **Joanne Lagerstrom**, who are involved as volunteers with the Fresh Start program. They gave us statistics as to the number of homeless in Central County (about 600) and showed slides of some of the encampments that can be found under bridges and in other out-of-sight locations in Walnut Creek and Concord.



Their program opens the doors of the St. Paul Episcopal Church's Fellowship Hall twice a week (Tuesday and Thursday) and provides food, counseling, games, fellowship, a place to clean up, and job postings. About 50 to 60 people show up on each of these days, with 60 percent being men. A team of 14 volunteers works with those attending.

**Horace** collected some winter clothing and other supplies from Rotarians attending. He will once again bring his truck to next week's meeting (at the San Ramon Senior Center!!!!) to collect additional items. In addition to warm clothes, Fresh Start could use tents, tarps, sleeping bags, and of course money in order to meet this winter's needs. Let's load up that truck on the 15<sup>th</sup>!

Announcements:

This **Scribe** communicated to those present that former member **Fumi Suzuki**, who led our Senior Entertainment effort and who retired 18 months ago, has joined the Berkeley Rotary Club and is thoroughly enjoying it. She is doing some part-time work, as well as volunteer work with her church and the International Student Ministry. Her back problem (pinched nerves), which caused her to be in pain while driving, have improved markedly. She wishes everyone a Merry Christmas!

**Alan Ward** advised that volunteer sign-ups for the Christmas Tree Lot are well covered, and **PE Tatum** announced that we might be selling out the inventory this weekend.

**PE Tatum** reminded us that three of our members are nominees for the San Ramon Community Awards: **Steve Wilcox, Ed Duarte, and Matt Carhart.**

The Progressive Christmas Party will begin at the **Harvey** (*A to L*) and **Disch** (*M to Z*) homes (which are adjacent to each other) at 5:00 pm, Saturday, December 17. The party will adjourn to the Crow Canyon Country Club, for dinner, at about 6:30 pm.

**Ana Dominguez** reminded us that the December 22 Regular Meeting will include a Visit from Santa. This will be a family event (Meaning that **Dr. Bill** will wear socks and **Mark vonH** will be at-tired in long pants), so children are specifically requested to accompany parents and grandparents! If Santa is to give the little tykes a present, please deliver them to **Horace Crawford**, suitably gift-wrapped, on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

The club will be "DARK" on the 29<sup>th</sup>!

Next week's meeting -- the 15<sup>th</sup> -- will be at the San Ramon Senior Center! Don't forget the Fresh Start contributions, items for the Juvenile Hall Auxiliary, and gift-wrapped present for any child joining us on the 22<sup>nd</sup>!

Recognitions: None.

Raffle:

The **Scribe** totally blew it and failed to record -- and therefore remember -- who the two winners were, but he knows it was NOT him!

Next Week: **PP Marie Galbo** and **Cho Tang** will lead us in the Annual Senior Christmas Party at the San Ramon Senior Center.

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. lgt

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. 15th - Off-site at Senior Center - Marie Galbo & Cho Tang  
Dec. 22nd - Visit from Santa  
Dec. 29th - DARK - NO MEETING

### Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

Dec. 17th - Holiday Party  
Dec. 29th - DARK — NO MEETING

### Schedule of Greeters

December 15th Ira Hillyer  
December 22nd Geoff Johnson

