



Crow's Call



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Rotary Meeting — January 6th by Dr. Bill Harlan

Menacingly, President **Dennis Garrison** called the meeting to order....or else! Greeter **Mike Rood** thought hard and concluded, "Trust not what inspires others when you pick a goal for your life, but rather dream. It is better to achieve your dream than reach your goal." He led a spirited Pledge to the Flag since, as head of the country club, he knew where it was.

Walt Trembley, undoubtedly dreaming of last year's championship, had us sing patriotically "Take Me Out to the Ballgame." Our

visiting Rotarian was **David Behring** of the Danville-Sycamore Club, the District Governor's enforcer. **Guy Greco** introduced a guest who is the head of Kids' Country. **Glen Weber** led the Long Version quite well



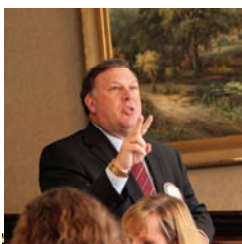
Announcements:

* **Captain John Sims**

reminded us that he is always ready to pick up your annual commitment to the RI Foundation. When prompted, he also told us that the Aztecs of San Diego State had sunk his beloved Navy in the Poinsettia Bowl; coincidentally several fighters from the Palomar Naval Air Station accidentally bombed and strafed the campus of CSUSD later the same day.



* Dr. **Bill Harlan** reported that about 10 Rotarians attended the Ho-Down with RI President **Ray Klingensmith** last Sunday at the Saddle Rack. There was much chowing down on vittles and riding of the mechanical bull and Dr. Bill was reunited with Cousin Ray briefly before Security escorted him and Ruth from the building.



* **Gary Sloan** stepped into the breach left by the cancellation of the Reno Train Trip and has set up the Las Vegas Fun Flight on January 20 – 21. See him to join the high-flying high rollers!

Service Above Self

* **Dennis Harvey** invited us to join him at the Memorial Service for **Mel Creusere** in Pleasanton.

* **Hermann Welm** awarded **Jay Tontz** his Blue Badge when it was revealed Jay knew the Four-Way Test because he had written it.



Guy Greco urged us to start reporting our walking mileage to **Judy Lewis**. Replacement pedometers are available. Let's at least collectively make it out of California if not all the way to NYC.

* **Mark von Hoetendorff** shared a Xmas letter from former Rotarian **Ron Geis** who is returning to CA.



The peripatetic **Paula Sue Silva** has still another new job with Iron Horse International doing software sales. At least the commute is a little easier since the headquarters are in Bishop Ranch. **Paula Sue** urges people to get nominations for the Unsung Heroes award for outstanding volunteers into her by January 15, the absolute deadline! Nominees cannot be Rotarians, note to **Hermann Welm**.

Student of the Month:

Robin Stevens introduced **Jen Tilton**, the VP of Cal High. She in turn introduced us to **Julia Alvey**, the Student of the Month. Julia is the president of the Leadership Class and has spent the last four years organizing blood drives and proms. Julia was joined by her proud parents **Tammy & Bob Alvey**. President Garrison helpfully pointed out that the SOM parking place in front of the school will require a new car.



Job Shadow Day:

Patti Hennigan, who coordinated the event, introduced **Shanin McKavish** who teaches the Life Skills class at Cal High. She thanked the Rotarians for their help in putting this event together for the 12th year. The Rotarians who were shadowed included **Ana Dominguez** (Gates & Associates), **Glen Weber** (San Ramon Veterinary Hospital) , **Gary Sloan** (San Ramon Medical), **Mike Rood** (Crow Canyon Country Club) and the ubiquitous **Patti Hennigan** (Salon X).





The Shadowers included **Kelly Horton, Kamli Belle, Megan Gomm, Kimberlee Braden, Tara Burns, Carly Stanelley, Heather Weeck, Taylor Reading, Nikki Shareb, Alex Akky, Ian Jethmal, Josh Barish, Sam Something, Michael Drisko, Andrew Wyant, Cassie Rodriguez, Vanessa Vanrotz, Sydney Venierakis** and **Blair Kunselman**.

Here are some of the observations of the students:

"We used the fancy software at Ana's office to give Li'l Wayne [a noted rapper] a new face."

"We looked at an x-ray in Glen's office which clearly showed that the dog had eaten the parts of the toy car. It was way cool."

"We shouldn't watch while they draw blood at the hospital; otherwise you get light-headed and have to sit down."

"The guy in charge of the golf course told us how many times he had hit a ball through somebody's window."

"Patti taught us that the first thing you do as a hairdresser in the morning is go to Starbucks."

Shanin McKavish hopes to do another Job Shadow in the spring.

The two raffle prizes were won by visitors: **Dave Behring** and one of the Cal High kids who took us for \$60.



San Ramon Rotarian of the Week



This week, January 13th, 2011, you will be greeted by Lucky Sandhu

Here are some things you should know about Lucky:

Lucky has been a member of our club since, July 2008

Classification: Mortgage Broker

Lucky is the President of Reliance Financial, a premier mortgage brokerage based in San Ramon. He is responsible for setting the company vision, development goals and marketing strategies while presiding over the day-to-day operations. As a mortgage originator, he has been personally responsible for over \$350 million in funded mortgage transactions.

Before founding Reliance Financial in 2004, Lucky worked for seven years in the professional services industry, first as a Certified Public Accountant at Ernst and Young LLP (1996-1999) and then as a management consultant with Cap Gemini Ernst and Young (1999-2003). Lucky holds a B.S. degree from the University of California, Walter A. Haas School of Business (1996). He is a licensed Mortgage Broker and a Certified Mortgage Planning Specialist.

Lucky currently serves as the President of UC Berkeley's Haas Alumni Network, East Bay Chapter, as a Board of Director for the California Association of Mortgage Professionals, an Ambassador for the San Ramon Chamber of Commerce and an active member of the Rotary Club of San Ramon. He is a proud member of the Leadership San Ramon Valley, Class of 2010. Lucky was honored as the 2010 Business Person of the Year by the San Ramon Chamber of Commerce.

Lucky is blessed with a lovely daughter, Chaya. He enjoys working out, watching movies, reading, writing and speaking on trends and news shaping the Mortgage and Real Estate Industry markets.

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. cff

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:

Jan. 13th - Gems & Jewelry - Fred Nevarez

Jan. 20th - Fitness for Health & Longevity - Dr. Leslie Hewitt

Jan. 27th - Economic Forecast for 2011 - Jay Tontz

Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

Schedule of Greeters

January 13th

Lucky Sandhu

January 20th

Paula Silva

