

The Ramblings

The Official Bulletin of Modesto North Rotary

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Service Above Self

Club President: Don Petersen

Upcoming Monday Meetings

- September 5 DARK—LABOR DAY
- September 12 Program—Kathleen Nicely from the Gallo Arts Center. 6:15pm Appetez
- September 19 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez
- September 26 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez
- October 3 Football Night
- October 10 Program- Katrina Petrosovitch and friends will talk about Katrina's wedding in Lativa and their customs and traditions.

Upcoming Rotary Events

- September 14 Board Meeting- St. Stan's Brewery @ 5:30 p.m.
- October 3 FOOTBALL NIGHT**
- October 17 District Governor's visit
- November 4 Foundation Dinner

MEETING IN REVIEW

August 29, 2005

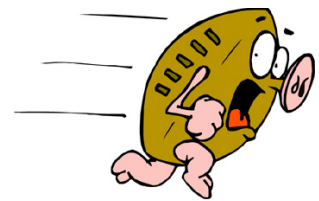
Jeff Lindstrom, the founder of the Model United Nations of the Russian Far East (MUNREF), spoke with us about the program. MUNREF continues to grow and thrive. They are adding new programs such as their student government program. For more information, take a look at their website at www.lidi.ru/munrfe.



Members who committed to purchases a brick for the Centennial Project need to complete the donation form sent out by Louis and mail it and the donated money to address on the form. I've attached another copy of the form with this Ramblings.

FOOTBALL NIGHT

Football night is OCTOBER 3, 2005 at the SOS. The game- Green Bay at Carolina- kick-off at 6:00 p.m. Francine and Pam S. passed around sign up sheets last Monday. Members are needed to assist with registration, set up, BBQing, kitchen crew, serving, raffle, and a number of other jobs. Everyone is on the clean-up crew. If you can not be at football night, please let Francine and President Don know.



Tickets will be distributed for sale at our next meeting. We will have the Football Throw game that Pete made last year up and running. All members need to bring 2 raffle prizes for the raffle. Interact kids will be on hand again to help set up and sell raffle tickets. It will be a great event!



President Don says:

“Wear Your Rotary Pin Today!”





MODESTO NORTH FINANCIAL UPDATE

- Modesto North Rotary will be making a donation of \$4,000 to the Parent Resource Center. We will be (or have) applied for a matching \$1,000 grant with District 5220 which would make a total benefit to the PRC of \$5,000.
- For the past few months all members have been assessed \$30 per month for Modesto North's centennial obligation. The assessment funds have been placed in a separate account. There is currently over \$5,000 in that separate account. Because of the club's strong financial position, the board has decided to stop the monthly assessment and fund our remaining centennial obligation (the amount of which remains unknown- but will be less than \$30k in a worst case scenario) through the general account. What does this mean to you?? THE MONTHLY \$30 ASSESMENT WILL END IN SEPTEMBER!!
- Pursuant to a meeting with Appetez, there will no longer be a "no eat" option for Monday night meals. The cost, whether you choose to eat or not, is \$15.00. Sorry.

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MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

Day	Time	Club	Location
Monday	12:15 PM	Modesto Gateway	Early Dawn on Kansas, Modesto
Monday	6:15 PM	Modesto North	Appetez @ Roseburg Square, Modesto
Tuesday	12:15 PM	Modesto Downtown	Double Tree on 9 th , Modesto
Tuesday	12:15 PM	Turlock	Turf Club @ Fairgrounds, Turlock
Wednesday	7:00 AM	Turlock Sunrise	Latif's on Golden State, Turlock
Wednesday	12:15 PM	Modesto East	Hazel's, Modesto
Wednesday	12:15 PM	Oakdale	Oakdale Golf & Country Club, Oakdale
Thursday	7:00 AM	Modesto Sunrise	S.O.S. Club, Modesto
Thursday	7:15 AM	Riverbank	Del Rio Rest. On 2 nd , Riverbank
Friday	6:45 AM	Salida	Salida Firehouse, Salida
Friday	7:00 AM	Oakdale Sunrise	Oakdale Golf & Country Club
Friday	12:15 PM	Ceres	Jenny's on Herndon, Ceres

Humor courtesy of Siefkin

Lesson In Cow-Logic Political Science

(no animals were maimed or killed during any part of this test)

DEMOCRATIC

You have two cows. Your neighbor has none. You feel guilty for being successful. Barbara Streisand sings for you.

REPUBLICANISM

You have two cows.
Your neighbor has none.
So?

SOCIALIST

You have two cows. The government takes one and gives it to your neighbor. You form a cooperative to tell him how to manage his cow.

COMMUNIST

You have two cows. The government seizes both and provides you with milk. You wait in line for hours to get it. It is expensive and sour.

CAPITALISM, AMERICAN STYLE

You have two cows. You sell one, buy a bull, and build a herd of cows.

BUREAUCRACY, AMERICAN STYLE

You have two cows.
Under the new farm program the government pays you to shoot one, milk the other, and then pours the milk down the drain.

AMERICAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.
You sell one, lease it back to yourself and do an IPO on the 2nd one. You force the two cows to produce the milk of four cows. You are surprised when one cow drops dead. You spin an announcement to the analysts stating you have downsized and are reducing expenses. Your stock goes up.

FRENCH CORPORATION

You have two cows.
You go on strike because you want three cows. You go to lunch and drink wine. Life is good.

GERMAN CORPORATION

You have two cows.
You engineer them so they are all blond, drink lots of beer, give excellent quality milk, and run a hundred miles an hour. Unfortunately they also demand 13 weeks of vacation per year.

ITALIAN CORPORATION

You have two cows but you don't know where they are. While ambling around, you see a beautiful woman.
You break for lunch. Life is good.

TALIBAN CORPORATION

You have all the cows in Afghanistan, which are two. You don't milk them because you cannot touch any creature's private parts. You get a \$40 million grant from the US government to find alternatives to milk production but use the money to buy weapons.
IRAQI CORPORATION
You have two cows.
They go into hiding.
They send radio tapes of their mooing.

FLORIDA CORPORATION

You have a black cow and a brown cow. Everyone votes for the better looking one. Some of the people who actually like the brown one better accidentally vote for the black one. Some people vote for both. Some people vote for neither. Some people can't figure out how to vote at all. Finally, a bunch of guys from out-of-state tells you which one you think is the better-looking cow.

Club Announcements

- Members can earn **ROTARY BUCKS** (to be applied towards recognitions) every time a Board Member sees them at an outside function wearing their Rotary lapel pin. Recognitions have been stiff so far this year so every **ROTARY BUCK** helps!
- Chuck Bukhari has invited the club to a Dinner and Dance on September 17, 2005 at Jacobs. Four members and their spouses have already signed up. Attached with the Ramblings is a flyer for the event.