



The Ramblings

The Official Bulletin of Modesto North Rotary

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Week of December 5, 2005

Service Above Self

Club President: Don Petersen

Upcoming Monday Meetings

- December 12 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez Program- Lloyd De Bock speaking about Camp Royal
- December 19 **HOLIDAY PARTY**
- December 26 **DARK**
- January 2 **DARK**
- January 9 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez Program- Motivational speaker Ron Landes
- January 16 **DARK- Martin Luther King Holiday**
- January 23 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez Rotary Education Night
- January 30 Regular Meeting- 6:15pm Appetez Program: Stuart Long with the Red Cross

Upcoming Rotary Events

- December 7 Rotary Board Meeting 5:30 pm at Appetez
- Apr 28-30, 2006 District Conference at Tenaya Lodge in Yosemite
- May 21 District Assembly in Stockton
- June 10 **CANYON CLASSIC CENTURY**
- June 11-14, 2006 International Convention in Denmark & Sweden

Meeting in Review

December 5, 2005

What a nice fellowship meeting! We (and I use the word "we" loosely) told some very bad yet entertaining jokes, listened to some confessions and enjoyed each others company. We had 100% of our members wearing their pins!



**President Don says:
"Wear Your Rotary Pin Today!"**

SATURDAY- December 10 Centennial Project Workday

Bob Olson's team is assigned to work this Saturday-- he has promised Mr. T's donuts to those who attend. However, other teams... remember...anyone can go to work and log hours!!!

BOARD MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

**WE WILL BE HAVING A BOARD MEETING ON WEDNESDAY-
DECEMBER 7TH AT 5:30 P.M. AT APPETEZ.**

Virginia Corridor Project Work Teams

Will you be the team that logs the least number of hours? If so you will be singing *Muskrat Love*. Will your team that place second to last... if so, *Bad Bad LeRoy Brown* is your song. If your teams logs the second most number of hours—you will treat the rest of the club to your rendition of *Money for Nothing*. However- there is no escaping *You're so Vain* by Carly Simon unless you are on the winning team! All three losing teams will sing *You're so Vain* it will be an exciting Team Trio! Maybe— just as a thought— the teams should sing in rounds.

Work days are every Saturday from 7:30 -8:00 am until about 10:00 am. The team captains will track how many hours each member works on the project.

Teams can get extra hours by bringing friends and family with them to work.



Team 3
Team Name- undecided
Work day- not currently assigned, but work any day
 Bill Compton- team captain
 Gary Akard
 Jack Holt
 Todd Venturini
 Gary Kirkpatrick
 Don Petersen
 Tim Salter
 Katrina Petrosovitch

Team 1
Team Name- undecided
Work day- December 10th
 Bob Olson- team captain
 Sue Itsara
 Al Girolami
 Tri Pham
 Rick DeLeon
 Louis Levin
 Andrea Olson
 Lynette Miller

Team 4
Team Name- The Junction Moles
Work day- December 17th
 Doug Ridenour- team captain
 George Betker
 Tony Varni
 Jim Ridenour
 Steve Madison
 John Whiteside
 Randy Siefkin
 Gene Wilkins
 Fred Sandow

Team 2
The Mighty Women and Two Dudes
Work day- not currently assigned, but work any day
 Francine DiCiano- fearless leader
 Judy Jensen
 Pam Harmon
 Terry Campbell
 Pam Stephens
 Marie Silveira
 Bob Gotelli
 Pete Kordiak
 Gloria Mraz

You're So Vain

By Carly Simon

(practice practice practice!!)

You walked into the party
 Like you were walking onto a yacht
 Your hat strategically dipped below one eye
 Your scarf it was apricot
 You had one eye in the mirror
 As you watched yourself gavotte
 And all the girls dreamed that they'd be your partner
 They'd be your partner, and

You're so vain
 You probably think this song is about you
 You're so vain
 I'll bet you think this song is about you
 Don't you? Don't you?

You had me several years ago
 When I was still quite naive
 Well, you said that we made such a pretty pair
 And that you would never leave
 But you gave away the things you loved
 And one of them was me
 I had some dreams they were clouds in my coffee
 Clouds in my coffee, and

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Well, I hear you went up to Saratoga
 And your horse naturally won
 Then you flew your Lear jet up to Nova Scotia
 To see the total eclipse of the sun
 Well, you're where you should be all the time
 And when you're not, you're with
 Some underworld spy or the wife of a close friend
 Wife of a close friend, and

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Club Announcement

- ◆ Doug Ridenour's Virginia Corridor Team has selected their team name: **The Junction Moles**. I wonder if they knew that a mole is a small burrowing mammal with dark, velvety fur. It grows up to 7 inches long, and has acute senses of hearing, smell, and touch, but poor eyesight. It has short, muscular forelimbs and shovel-like, clawed front feet for burrowing in search of insects, grubs, and worms. Their fur lies without direction so that they can move forwards or backwards in their tunnels without discomfort. Moles are greedy eaters; they cannot live more than a few hours without food (this explains the serving of breakfast on their workday). Moles are considered pests in yards. The best bets for mole removal are mole traps, poisons and mole repellents. Moles are sometimes confused with muskrats.... As in that famous song by Captain and Tennille- Muskrat Love. Great name! The Mighty Women and Two Dudes rule!
- ◆ NUNCRACKERS A-MEN is currently playing at the Merced Playhouse. Show dates are December 2nd - December 17th, 2005. Both **Amelia Varni** and **Nella Varni** have parts in the show.
- ◆ President Don will be out of town next week. President Elect Bob will be at the helm.

"Knock knock"
"Who's there"
"Bob G"
..... silence is our best defense!
- ◆ If you are interested in a trip to Costa Rica with other Rotarians January 11-16, 2006, please contact President Don.

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Ramblings disclosure: This newsletter is intended to impart information in a fun and informative way. All jokes are intended to be just that... a joke. Do not object, take offense or cry yourself to sleep. If there were no jokes, no jibs, no writer tricks, then there would be no fun! HOWEVER, the opinions expressed herein are not those of the editor or any other member of Modesto North Rotary. They are not the opinions of past or present presidents. We are currently unable to verify whose opinions they are! When someone steps forward and takes responsibility, we will notify you.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Date: DECEMBER 19, 2006

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: 313 Hartley Drive, Modesto

We will be having a wine tasting, enjoying great food and fellowship. We are hoping the Varni girls will be able to attend! We will be passing around a sign up sheet again next Monday.

Directions:

From McHenry Ave.

- Travel north on McHenry Ave. towards Escalon
- Turn left on Stewart Road (stop light)
- Turn left on Grove Point (this will be the first left)
- Turn right on Hartley Drive (this will be the second right)
- The house will be on the right hand side.

From 99:

- Exit: Kiernan/Salida exit
- Turn east on Kiernan
- Turn left on Carver Road (stop sign)
- Turn right on Ladd Road (three way stop sign)
- Turn left on St. John (right before the RR tracks)
- St. John will turn right and become Stewart Road.
- Turn right on Grove Point (last right before McHenry)
- Turn right on Hartley Drive.

Mystery Puzzle

16 18 5 19 9 4 5 14 20 5 12 5 3 20

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18 1 13 2 12 9 14 7 19 5 4 9 20 15 18

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22

W	X	Y	Z
23	24	25	26



CANYON CLASSIC CENTURY

Mark your calendars for June 10, 2006.... Bob G. and Louis are co-chairs of this year's bike ride. They will be signing up volunteers, gathering donations, probably adding a new route and doing much much more. They will soon be stressed out and will probably take their pain out on us.... So be strong and remember - - we always have fun on the day of the ride! Let's make lots of money for our charities this year!!!!

ROTARY EDUCATION CORNER
THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

The Paul Harris Society of District 5220 was started in 2004. The purpose of the program is to encourage Rotarians and friends to pledge a minimum of \$1,000 per year to The Rotary Foundation. The donor will receive a special metal ribbon that can attached to a Paul Harris pin. The donor will also be able to designate who will be honored by their donation, and if for some reason finances do not allow a donor to continue in the Society, they may withdraw at anytime.

"Rotary International's masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation. It transforms our dreams into splendid realities. . . it is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity - a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind. The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve."

GEORGE B. HUMOR

Walking into the bar,
 Henry said to the bartender,
 "Pour me a stiff one, Eddie.
 I just had another fight with the little woman."

"Oh yeah?" said Eddie.
 "And how did this one end?"

"When it was over," Henry replied,
 "she came to me on her hands and knees!"

"Really? Now that's a switch!
 What did she say?"

She said, "Come out from under that bed,
 you little chicken."

4-Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Location</u>
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