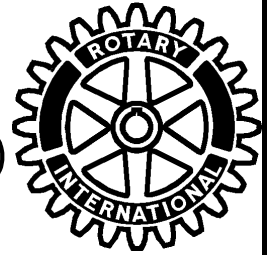




MODESTO NORTH ROTARY

RAMBLINGS

"THE MOST WELL-ADJUSTED CLUB IN THE DISTRICT"



March 8, 2001

March is Youth Services Month

Issue 64

HAVE YOU ASKED SOMEONE TODAY TO JOIN ROTARY?

It's truly amazing that Rotary has grown from only four individuals in 1905 to more than one million members in 2001. As we look to our past and to the future, we must continually strive to attract new members who will offer fresh perspectives and innovative ideas. Without this energizing influence, Rotary will not continue to be a major force in helping humanity throughout the world.

We constantly need to ask ourselves the question: "Who would make a good Rotarian?" The person can be a friend, a neighbor, your doctor or dentist, a co-worker, a business associate, a community leader. Today, we cannot increase our membership without being *proactive*. We have to consider every possible avenue for growth.

We need to constantly update our classification system, seek ethnic diversity, and consider younger individuals and women as prospective members. Also, don't forget Rotary alumni such as Group Study Exchange team members and Ambassadorial Scholars, who already have an understanding of Rotary and its mission.

So often I'll ask a person why they haven't joined Rotary, and I'm always surprised by the answer: "Because I've never been asked!"

Now is the time to ask. I am convinced that Rotary cannot meet the challenges of today's world without a solid base of enthusiastic, committed members. We are counting on every Rotarian to *Create Awareness and Take Action*.

Fulfill the promise of Rotary — ask someone to join today. Don't let another opportunity go by. In the end, your greatest contribution to Rotary may be the person you just asked to join.

Frank J. Devlyn

SPRING FEVER

This week's meeting features John Katz from the Modesto A's. That's right! Baseball season is just around the corner. John Thurmond Field is sure to be the home of another future Big League Star! Come to the meeting to hear the details about the upcoming season.

RAMBLINGS ON LINE

Russ Jensen, the illustrious spouse of member Judy Jensen, and able Son-in-law to Past-President George Betker, has again helped launch Modesto North Rotary into the 21st Century. We not only have our own Modesto North Rotary Web Site at www.thevision.net/modestonorthrotary/, but now RAMBLINGS, our club's newsletter can be found there. The activities of Modesto North Rotary are now accessible to all the world. Thank you Russ for all your time and effort.

MARCH SPECIAL DATES

Joined Rotary:
Doug Ridenour 3/95
Tony Varni 3/91
Birthdays:
Don Mikkelson 3/2
Doug Ridenour 3/11
Bill Compton 3/14
Marshall Berg 3/21
Lee Willems 3/27



Upcoming Events

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| Monday March 12 | Meeting at Appetez - John Katz - The Modesto A's |
| Tuesday March 13 | Board Meeting at St. Stan's Brew Pub - 5:30-6:30 pm |
| Monday March 19 | Meeting at Appetez - Rich Estrada, Modesto Bee on Agriculture |
| Monday March 26 | Meeting at Appetez - Allen Short - MID |
| Monday April 2 | Meeting at Appetez - TBA |
| Monday April 9 | Meeting at Appetez - Dave Dolenaar, County Wellness & Safety Fair |
| Monday April 16 | Meeting at Appetez - Russian Students and MUNFW |
| Monday April 23 | Meeting at Appetez - Club Assembly and Bike Ride Meeting |
| Monday April 30 | Meeting at Appetez - Interact and New Member Talks |

George's Corner

Contributed by George Betker

ATTENDANCE

THE MEMBERS LISTED BELOW MISSED THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS. YOU CAN MAKE UP A MISSED MEETING TWO WEEKS BEFORE AND TWO WEEKS AFTER THE MISSED DATE AT ANY CLUB IN THE WORLD. IF YOU MADE UP PLEASE ADVISE GEORGE B. ASAP.

NAME	1/22	1/29	2/5	2/12	2/27	3/5
BOB BLAEUER				X	X	X
ROLLAND ENZ					X	
DOUG RIDENOUR				X		X
TRI PHAM					X	X
REBECCA ROBERSON			X	X		
TIM SALTER				X	X	X
RANDY SIEFKIN					X	
DAVE STROBEL				X	X	
JOHN SULAK					X	
DWIGHT TRAMMEL				X		
TODD VENTURINI					X	
TONY VARNI					X	
JOHN WHITESIDE					X	
LEE WILLEMS				X	X	X
LORRAINE VAN VALKENBERG		X	X	X	X	X

IF WE MISSED YOU AT OUR LAST MEETING, PLEASE MAKE UP OR IT COULD COST YOU UP TO:
 1ST MISSED MEETING \$15.00
 2ND MISSED MEETING \$20.00
 3RD MISSED MEETING \$25.00

CANYON CLASSIC CENTURY

BIKE RIDE

JUNE 2, 2001

REGISTRATION FORM IS

ON OUR WEB SITE

CHECK IT OUT!!!

MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO

HELPED STUFF, FOLD AND LABEL

REGISTRATION FORMS ON MONDAY

NIGHT.

HELP, HELP WE NEED SPONSORS!!!

From David Letterman



Top Ten Hugh Rodham Tips For A Happy Life

10. No matter how busy you get, eat your nine square meals a day
9. Kick Roger Clinton's ass during "Disgraced Brothers Week" on "Jeopardy"
8. Get a good hole-punch -- you never know when you'll have to change your belt size
7. Try and model your relationships after Bill and Hillary...or Bill and Monica...or Bill and Paula
6. When anyone bumps into you and says, "Pardon me," say, "Sure, that'll be \$400,000"
5. Watch a lot of that wrestlin' football
4. If you hang with powerful in-laws, you may get in on some of that "hot intern action"
3. Cutting your own hair is a great way to save money
2. Remember, things could be worse. Hillary could be your wife
1. Take it in stride when your brother-in-law offers to pardon your "gigantic ass"

BRING A FRIEND TO ROTARY

CREATE AWARENESS, TAKE ACTION!

New RI Web site debuts this week

A completely redesigned RI Web site featuring a new look, better navigation, and more interactive features will be unveiled in the hours leading up to 23 February to coincide with Rotary's 96th birthday. The new site is configured so that Rotarians can find the information they need as quickly as possible, with an increased emphasis on making connections with other Rotarians and with RI staff through new features that include discussion forums and language communities.

Central to the new design is a reorganization that breaks down the information offered into eight main areas: About Rotary, News and Information, Membership, RI Programs, The Rotary Foundation, Meetings, Leadership Development, and Administrative Services. In addition, quick links to downloads, discussion forums, an RI staff contact page, and an improved search engine appear on every page of the site.

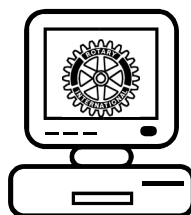
The discussion forums offer Rotarians and others involved in Rotary a place to meet and share ideas and experiences. Seventeen forums covering a wide variety of Rotary-

related topics are currently available. RI staff will monitor the forums and will be available to interact with participants on a regular basis.

Language community sites, available via links located at the top of the RI home page, give speakers of all official Rotary languages a place to check the Web for the latest Rotary information. A list of links to affiliate sites will cover other languages as well.

All of the popular features of the old Rotary site remain in place, including the searchable Where Clubs Meet, Community Projects, and Rotary Web Sites databases. New applications giving members the ability to conduct Rotary business will be added in July.

The new site is a work in progress, so new information will be added daily during the coming weeks. Users who have bookmarked links to the old Rotary site should note that those links will need to be updated to match the site's new architecture.



DISTRICT 5220

Rotary International District 5220 is a diverse region covering all of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Merced, Mariposa and Madera counties as well as Yosemite National Park and the city of Galt, California.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 2001 District Conference will be held at the Tenaya Lodge in beautiful Yosemite. The event includes a Golf Tournament, Barbeque, Breakout Sessions, and a farewell "Black Tie Overall Ball". The Keynote speaker will be former P.O.W. Dave Carey. Entertainment and dancing will also be provided.



**THANK YOU
TOM ARNOLD AND THE
WONDERFUL STAFF AT
APPETIZE FOR THE
GREAT DINNERS AND
EXCELLENT SERVICE.
YOU HAVE MADE OUR
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ENJOYABLE. WE ARE
HAPPY TO FREQUENT
YOUR ESTABLISHMENT.**

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Meetings of Area Rotary Clubs

Mon. noon Modesto Gateway
Doubletree, Downtown Modesto

Tues noon Modesto
Doubletree, Downtown Modesto

Tues noon Turlock
Turf Club, Fairgrounds, Turlock

Wed. 7:00 a.m. Turlock Sunrise
Latif's Restaurant, Golden State, Turlock

Wed. noon Modesto East
Hazel's, 12th St, Modesto

Wed. noon Oakdale
Oakdale C.C., N. Stearns Rd, Oakdale

Thurs. 7:00 a.m. Modesto Sunrise
Andiamo's, N. McHenry Blvd, Modesto

Thurs. noon Riverbank
Del Rio Restaurant, Atchison & Santa Fe

Fri. 6:45 a.m. Salida
The Fire Station on Broadway in Salida

Fri. 12:15 Ceres
Jenny's, Herndon Ave and Hatch, Ceres

Modesto North Rotary Club

Monday Evenings 6:15 PM

Meeting Location: Appetez

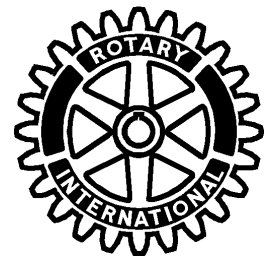
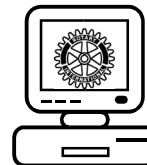
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The address is:
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Check it out for updated information.

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