



This Week

Meeting Date and Place

July 3, 2008 at 12:15p.m.Cameron Park Country Club

Words of Wisdom

Words of Wisdom: **Van Dossey**; Greeter **Bob Clarke**; and **Tom Keating** on the fornt desk

Program

Introduction of the new Board and discussion of goals and objectives for the year.

Last Week



SERVICE ABOVE SELF:

Individuals are initially attracted to Rotary for a variety of reasons, but long term Rotarians all have one thing in common; their commitment to service above self. Six veteran Cameron Park Rotarians were honored last week for their continued meritorious service over the years to their community and the world. President **Gary Reynolds** and Foundation Chair, **Dave Bunje** presented certificates awarding Complimentary Paul Harris Fellow Recognition to members **Doug Bisbee, Art Cort, Bob Edwards, Bill Ettlich, and Sig Hansen**, and to former Cameron Park Rotarian, **Bob Blum**. All are long term Rotarians who have contributed in many ways to the programs that serve both local and international communities. They are role models for today's Rotarians to follow. Three of the

honored Rotarians gave brief insights to their lives and some of their highlights in Rotary.

Doug Bisbee grew up in New England and talked about how life can throw a curve at you that sets your direction in ways that never could have been planned. As a young man, Doug was interested in cars and dropped out of college to work in a body shop. A stint in the Army took him to Alaska where he pursued body and fender work as a vocation. After getting out of the Army, he and wife **Dottie**, decided to stay in Alaska. Unfortunately, no opportunities were available at the time in his chosen field and he ended up as an investigator for Beneficial Finance. Joking that his job of chasing down debtors was preparation for his current position as Treasurer for the CP Rotary, he explained that it actually resulted in a lifelong career in consumer finance. The Alaska earthquake of 1964 inspired Doug and Dottie to move to California where jobs with Beneficial Finance included Marketing, Regional Manager and Governmental Relations. Doug took an early retirement when he was 50 and started a new career in real estate land development and building speculation homes.

Doug's experience with building made him a natural point person for several Rotary projects. These projects include the Christa McAuliff Community Park, the Rasmussen Community Park and the Cameron Park Rotary Community Observatory. Doug was the President of the Rotary Club of Cameron Park in the 1980s and is currently the Club Treasurer.

Sig Hansen grew up in Oregon. His father who was a science professor who encouraged Sig to build a solid career in engineering, which Sig did by graduating from Oregon State University with a degree in Engineering in 1964. He went to work with an engineering firm in Portland where he met **Bill Ettlich** who has been a friend and colleague ever since. Sig went on to get a master's degree in Environmental Engineering (known in those days as Sanitary Engineering) and specialized in water projects. In 1977, he moved to California and joined a firm in which Bill was a principal. He worked

with Bill on many water supply and treatment projects around the western United States. Most recently Sig completed a water filtration plant in Placer County and is now working of a project with the Federal Government at Lake Davis in Plumas County.

Sig was President of the Rotary Club of Cameron Park in 1994-95. Like Doug, he worked on all of the community park projects. For six years, he coordinated the selection and layout of wineries for **Wine at Serrano**, noting that the move to **Wine at Town Center** has resulted in a much superior event. Sig was instrumental in the club's international project, **Water for Peace**, in Vladivostok, Russia. He spent ten days working on that project in Russia in 2003 and most members recall the visiting engineers from Russia that he hosted in 2004.

Bill Ettlich is also an Oregon State engineering alum, graduating in 1957. He notes that Sig's history pretty much cover's his life as well. After graduation, he joined the Army during peacetime and was a pilot for 2 years. After his discharge, he moved to Portland, Oregon and worked for CH2M an engineering firm that had 60 employees. Bill noted with pride that CH2M has now grown to an international corporation with over 10,000 employees. In the late 1960s, Bill moved to California and set up a company to design and build public works projects. He later sold out to HDR Engineering, a company what then had 900 employees and has now grown to have 7, 500. Bill remains with HDR and says that he has not retired for good reasons; he loves his engineering work.

Bill joined Rotary in 1975 and was President of the Rotary Club of Cameron Park in 1987. He particularly enjoyed working on the community park projects. For ten years, Bill was the Club's Rotary Foundation coordinator and was successful in recruiting many members to become Paul Harris Fellows.

Presidents Corner



DAVE BUNJE IS PERFECT:

He hasn't missed a meeting since September 1988. President **Gary Reynolds** presented **Dave Bunje** with the last Presidential Citation of his term in recognition of this attendance record which is only one indicator of the commitment that Dave has made to Rotary.

PHILIPPINE BOAT PROJECT:

Bob Dorr shared the most recent pictures of the boat which is nearing completion. The engines are being mounted this week and only a little paint a fiberglass work remains before the boat will be launched. Bob reminded everyone that it is time to start planning the next trip to the Philippines to celebrate the launching of our floating health clinic in Mindanao. He is organizing a trip for members of all the California and Nevada partner clubs to go for a week in September or October of this year. He envisions a one week trip that will include meetings with our Philippine partner clubs, a day on the Marsh and a chance to look at opportunities for

potential future projects in Mindanao. A history buff, Bob plans to organize a side trip to key World War II sites. Total cost of the trip is estimated to be less than \$2,000 per person. For those who want to laze around the islands or travel to Hong Kong or other Asian or South Pacific locations, it would be easy to combine those adventures with this trip. Anyone interested or having any questions is encouraged to contact **Bob Dorr** or **Jim Buckley**.

AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE:

Chuck LePere has put forth the name of **Andrea Ford** as an applicant for a District Ambassadorial Scholarship. Andrea is a graduate of Ponderosa High School and was active in the Interact Club. An anthropology major, Andrea intends to travel to West Africa to further her studies. The membership unanimously endorsed the move to sponsor Andrea's application. The District currently has three scholarships to award for 2009-10.

SACRAMENTO RIVER CATS:

The annual night at the River Cats for the Boy's and Girl's Club of El Dorado County will be on Friday, July 18, 2008, against Las Vegas. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cameron Park, volunteers will be needed to help with the hot dogs and other treats. It costs \$20 for each boy or girl and donations will be collected in coming weeks. Members interested in helping out are asked to contact President Gary.

COASTAL CLEANUP DAY IS SEPTEMBER 20, 2008:

California Coastal Cleanup Day is the premier volunteer event focused on the marine environment in the country. In 2007, more than 60,000 volunteers worked together to collect more than 900,000 pounds of trash and recyclables from our beaches, lakes, and waterways. California Coastal Cleanup Day has been hailed by the Guinness Book of World Records as ``the largest garbage collection`` (1993). Since the program started in 1985, over 800,000 Californians have removed more than 12 million pounds of debris from our state`s shorelines and coast. When combined with the International Coastal Cleanup, organized by The Ocean Conservancy and taking place on the same day, California Coastal Cleanup Day becomes part of one of the largest volunteer events of the year. In addition to cleaning ocean beaches, it also targets rivers, lakes and other inland waterways.

This year, the Rotary Club of Cameron Park is supporting the El Dorado County effort to clean up the South Fork of the American River, Folsom Lake, and Hangtown Creek. Last year there were 200 volunteers who cleaned up the river. Our club is committed to sending at least five people and \$500. **Coy Baugh, Bill Gallant, Dee Russo** and **Billy V** are working to enlist the Rotary Clubs of El Dorado Hills, Georgetown, Placerville and Pollock Pines to join in this effort. The money will be used for buying tee shirts and feeding those who donate their time. For more information about this statewide event, check the California Coastal Commission web site at: <http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/ccd/ccd.html>

PRESIDENT GARY REYNOLD’S DEBUNKING:

A high point of the year is the event to assure that the outgoing president is given the recognition to which he/she is entitled. President Gary has presented members with a wealth of material for which he will be remembered. **Darol Rasmussen** has volunteered his ranch to be the site of a party that promises to be unforgettable to all except President Gary who seems to have occasional memory lapses. The debunking will take place from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 12, 2008. Volunteers are being sought to make sure that Gary gets what he deserves. **Joe Ryan** reports that Chef **Gary Gall** will be presiding. Joe has the sign up sheet and encourages everyone to come with spouses and children. He guarantees a good time for all.

Noted Rotarians



HAPPY BUCKS

Always honest, **Chris Moore** copped to wearing **Dave Sargent’s** badge, since he apparently left his at home after **Wine at Town Center**. Chris took his family to Tahoe for a well earned rest at the end of the school year and simply forgot to bring his badge. Ever generous, Chris donated \$5 for wearing the wrong badge and \$10 for having a great week with the family.

President Gary recognized Chris Moore as either one of the most generous or the happiest member in the club. A Super Bell Ringer, at a cost of \$150 a year, Chris is immune to fines. Yet, he continues to contribute for his

happy moments throughout the year. By far, Chris is the largest contributor of fines and happy bucks this year. His generosity is noted and much appreciated.

There was a quiet moment and **Ron Losel** is always ready to fill that vacuum. His humorous story of “chip monks” in Las Vegas brought a few groans, a few smiles and lots of laughs. It still cost him \$5.

It must have been a sad day for many Cameron Park Rotarians who were wearing black in observation of the fact that it was **Gary Reynolds’** last meeting as President of the Club. Either that, or they fell for the myth of the **Wrath or Reynolds** and his threat to all who failed to mourn the end of his term. It turns out that the “Wrath” was not evenly administered as \$5 fines were levied only against **Shiva Frentzen, Norm Headley** and **Jana Ellerman**. Surely Gary didn’t fall for **Van Dossey’s** claim that black trimming on his tennis shoes reflected the extent of his mourning?

Birthdays in July

Fritz Engel

Pete Oliver

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Cheryl Baugh

**Janet Bunje
Michael Davis
Dianne Ettlich
Linda Pohl
Chris Sanders**

Anniversaries in July

**Bob & Sara Edwards
Chris & Alice Moore
Brian & Stephanie Silverthorn
Ben & Lacey Young**

Upcoming Calendar

July 3, 2008 – Introduction of the new Board and discussion of goals and objectives for the year.
July 10, 2008 - **Mark Finan**, Channel Three Weather Chief (at Foothills United Methodist Church 3301 Green Valley Road, Rescue)
July 17, 2008 - **Debbie Betts**, from Bank of America – Reverse Mortgages
July 24, 2008 - **Ron Nieme** - The current situation in Iraq
July 31, 2008 - **David Greenwood** - Hypnotherapy
August 7, 2008 - **Bob Clarke** - The Cameron Park Rotary Community Foundation annual meeting.
August 14, 2008 – **Shannon Guzzo** - Travelogue to Antarctica
August 21, 2008 – Annual meeting at **Bob Clarke's** Latrobe Vineyard (Speaker TBA)
August 28, 2008 - **Mike Neal** - Vocational Service
September 4, 2008 - Sacramento River Cats Rally
September 11, 2008 - Patriots Day with **Maj. Ken Ashworth** from the California Military Museum
September 18, 2008 - **Kyleen Cornell** - Boys & Girls Club of El Dorado County Western Slope
September 25, 2008 - **Tammy Mefford** with Cameron Park Community Service District on exciting progress with new Community Center (at Faith Episcopal Church)

Upcoming Words of Wisdom

July 3, 2008 – Words of Wisdom by **Van Dossey** after a greeting from **Bob Clarke** with **Tom Keating** on the front desk
July 10, 2008 – Words of Wisdom by **Norm Headley** after a greeting from **Art Cort** with **Ben Young** on the front desk
July 17, 2008 – Words of Wisdom by **Steve Long** after a greeting from **Ben Young** with **Shiva Frentzen** on the front desk
July 24, 2008 – Words of Wisdom by **Mike Collom** after a greeting from **Bob Dorr** with **Tom Keating** on the front desk
July 31, 2008 – Words of Wisdom by **Vickie Christensen-McLain** after a greeting from **Bill Gallant** with **Fritz Engel** on the front desk

The Last Word



NEW MEMBER APPLICATION:

The Board has received a membership application from **Eric Pohl**, Manager and Head Golf Professional at the Bass Lake Golf Course. Pending consideration of comments from the membership, Eric is eligible for membership this week.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

July 1, 2008 - Monthly Board Meeting at Kobe's Restaurant in Burke's Junction at noon.

July 12, 2008 - Debunk outgoing President **Gary Reynolds**. 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. at **Darol Rasmussen's Ranch** in Cameron Park.