



## This Week

### Meeting Date and Place

**August 20, 2009 at 12:15 p.m. ....Cameron Park Country Club**

### Words of Wisdom

Words of Wisdom: ; Greeter ; and at the desk

### Program

Job Seekers Program with **Mike Dugan**

## Last Week



Last week, the membership enjoyed the annual meeting at **Bob Clarke's** Latrobe Vineyard. Most appropriate for this locale, historian and docent at the El Dorado County Historical Museum in Placerville, **John McCabe** related stories about his adopted town of Latrobe, California. A resident of Latrobe since 1958, John took an early interest in the history of this railroad town between Placerville and Folsom. Cameron Park Rotarians Clarke and **Art Cort** are also long time residents of this small town and both contributed their knowledge of it's history. Bob was raised in Hawaii, but visited his grandmother in Latrobe during summers when he was a boy. There was no electricity in those days, but it was a perfect place for a boy to spend summers. He recalled the train dropping off the newspaper as it passed through what is now the

Latrobe Vineyard. Art first came to Latrobe in 1945 and met **Helen**, a native of Latrobe. He returned and married Helen and has called Latrobe his home for many years.

John talked about the origins of Latrobe and of J. H. Miller, the founding father who owned most of the land in this area. The town started on completion of the railroad in 1864, and was surveyed and platted by Chief Engineer F. A. Bishop, who also suggested the name of the town, after an engineer named Latrobe. The town of Latrobe, PA was also named after the same engineer. The town thrived and became the supply center for Amador County. Population is estimated to have been as many as 700 to 800 people at its peak. A fire in 1915 destroyed much of the town, including the hotel, the school and two saloons and it never recovered. For those interested in reading more about the history of Latrobe, refer to: <http://www.westernlivingcenter.com/history/history-latrobe.htm>

## Presidents Corner



The annual outing to Latrobe is always one of the highlights of the Cameron Park Rotary year. The club is indebted to **Bob** and **Joanne Clarke** for their wonderful hospitality. Bob gave credit to **Art Cort** for coming early to setup the meeting each year. The membership is particularly indebted to **Sig Hansen** for once again providing the wine with his own label; it seems to get better each year.

### PATH TO LITERACY:

**Art Cort** reports that the "Path to Literacy," a 650 foot paved path linking Camerado Springs

Middle School with the Cameron Park Library was being finished as he spoke. Several Rotarians volunteered their efforts to grading and preparing the path for paving. They met their goal of having the path ready for kids returning to school in August. To get an idea of how much effort was involved, see pictures of the project by **Mike Neal** at: <http://www.cameronparkrotary.org/ptl1/>

#### **VISIONING:**

The planning sessions led by **Ane Deister** have been consolidated and postponed until October 8, 2009. With participation from representatives from Rotary District 5190, goals and objectives for the club will be established for coming years. This day will be important to the future of the club and the change of dates is intended to assure maximum participation from the membership. Mark your calendar and plan to be there.

#### **EVENING IN THE ORCHARD:**

Visiting from **The Rotary Club of Pollock Pines-Camino** Ernie was on hand to publicize their major fund raising effort of the year. "Evening in the Orchard" will take place on September 16, 2009, at Rainbow Orchards in Camino. For \$40 a person, there will be a tri-tip dinner, music and raffles. All proceeds will go to buying dictionaries for third grade students and other special programs for the schools in the Pollock Pines-Camino area.

#### **SHRED DAY A SUCCESS:**

Lots of people managed to safely rid themselves of lots of paper and Rotarians worked hard to make the day a success. **Mike Collom** reports that the day earned \$1,500 for the Cameron Park Community Foundation Endowment Fund. Pictures of the day, courtesy of **Mike Neal** can be accessed at the link below or by going directly to <http://www.cameronparkrotary.org/sd09/>.

#### **Noted Rotarians**



#### **FINES AND HAPPY BUCKS:**

**Chris Moore** was in great spirits, and for good reason. Both he and wife **Alice** are celebrating birthdays this month and that is good for twenty happy bucks. Chris is also happy with athletic programs at Ponderosa High School. With a new stadium that Chris describes as "world class," and a football team scheduled to play in a featured Nike event in Berkeley, the fall is looking good. The real excitement, however, is that he thinks that PHS looks good for a league tennis title, all because of a new star student.

Rotary Youth Exchange student **Francisca Rojas** has completed the paperwork to play on the team. You may recall that Francisca was rated in the top four girls age 16 and under in all of Chile. For their good fortune in athletics, Chris has pledged an additional thirty happy bucks. Speaking of birthdays, **Sally Marshall** is also having one this month. It is also **Iain** and Sally's anniversary month, which is good for twenty happy bucks from Iain.

**Brian Silverthorn** hasn't been seen much lately, but he's back and sporting a tan. Brian tried to distract attention from being late (which cost him \$10) by talking about making up meetings in Cabo San Lucas and announcing that he would be the featured speaker at Rotary Club in Folsom. He pulled out all stops for getting attention by describing his renewal of vows with wife **Stephanie** on the beach in Mexico. He talked big about renewing for a only week at a time, but anyone who has met Stephanie knows that Brian is not foolish enough to let her get away. For all of Brian's good stories, another \$30 happy bucks is much appreciated. Also late, but not worried about telling stories, **Max Callaghan** bragged that he was out making money and a \$12.50 fine is no problem. Late without excuses cost **Dave Bunje** ten not so happy dollars. Also making up Rotary meetings was **Dave Sargent** who has been taking it easy at Lake Tahoe. Dave went to meetings of the Tahoe Douglas and the South Lake Tahoe clubs. Unfortunately, those meetings are in casino hotels and Dave was left with only \$2.50 in not so happy bucks to talk about it.

It's hard to believe that **Ane Deister's** daughter is already a freshman at Ponderosa High School. Starting last week, she has great classes and a great schedule. For that, Ane contributed happy bucks of \$12.50. **Mike Collom**, his father, his son and his grandson got together to enjoy "Hot August Nights" in Reno. That makes a gathering of four generations, which is worth \$20 from Mike.

**Mike Dugan** has been doing a great job spearheading the efforts of the Western Slope Rotary Clubs to present their **Job Seekers** workshops. On this night, Mike was making a presentation to the Rotary Club of Placerville. Not only does Mike do good works, he paid \$12.50 to talk about it.

The Rotary night at the River Cat game last week was great fun and the local team won with some extraordinary 8th and 9th inning pitching. **Bob Dorr** fully enjoyed the evening despite a fender bender in the Cameron Park Country Club lot involving **Gary Reynolds**. Not one to hold a grudge, Bob was particularly taken with Gary's interpretation of the classic **Chicken Dance**. So impressed that he offered ten happy bucks for Gary to strut his stuff.

### **Birthdays in August**

**Max Callaghan**

**Chris Moore**

**Gary Reynolds**

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**Barbara Lloyd**

**Sally Marshall**

**Alice Moore**

**Trudy Neal**

**Lacey Young**

### **Anniversaries in August**

**Doug & Dottie Bisbee**

**Carla & Frank Carlson**

**Bill & Dianne Ettlich**

**Dennis & Michelle Hamilton**

**Iain & Sally Marshall**

**Gary & Robin Reynolds**

### **Upcoming Calendar**

August 20, 2009 - Job Seekers Program with **Mike Dugan**

August 27, 2009 - Folsom Lake College Performing Arts Center with **Lori Rianda**

September 3, 2009 - Vocational talk with **Norm Headley** and **Tom Keating**

September 10, 2009 - Discussion with District Governor **Janice Gage**

September 17, 2009 - Hangtown Trade School presentation with **Cara Prentiss**

September 23, 2009 - Meeting at new Cameron Park Community Center lunch and tour

October 1, 2009 - **Jean Irwin** will speak on one of Rotary goals: Literacy in District 5190

October 8, 2009 - **Dave Bunje** will speak on his African trip with Compassion International

October 15, 2009- **Rob Roscoe** with Sacramento Water District will speak on water challenges in the Delta

October 22, 2009 - **Vicki Barber, Ed.D**, Superintendent of the El Dorado County Office of Education will speak on education issues facing our county.

October 29, 2009 - **Ane Deister** will relate her recent life changing experiences in Honduras. Note: this meeting will be held at Faith Episcopal Church in Cameron Park

November 5, 2009 - **Dave Bunje** will give an update on the Rotary Foundation

November 12, 2009 - Annual Rotary Foundation dinner 11/12 Rotary Foundation DINNER

November 19, 2009 - **Bob Edwards** will discuss the Sugarloaf Arts and Music program

November 26, 2009 - No meeting this week. Happy Thanksgiving

December 3, 2009 - Annual Christmas Dinner and Auction

December 10, 2009 - TBA

December 17, 2009 - TBA

December 24, 2009 - No meeting this week. Merry Christmas

December 31, 2009 - No meeting this week. Happy New Year

### **Upcoming Words of Wisdom**

## The Last Word



### DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 10, 2009 - Monthly Board Meeting at the Cameron Park Country Club at 10:00 a.m. with District Governor **Janice Gage**. All members are welcome.

September 12, 2009 - Debunk outgoing President **Iain Marshall** at **Ulla Petersen`s** house in Shingle Springs. Cocktails at 3:00 p.m., Debunking at 4:00 p.m. and dinner at 5:00 p.m.

September 16, 2009 - Fireside Chat at **Bob Clarke`s** home in Latrobe from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

October 8, 2009 - Visioning session to determine future direction of the club.

October 10, 2009 - **Show and Shine** at Cameron Park Airport

November 12, 2009 - Annual Area Foundation Dinner

**Mike Neal** has put together a photo series of highlights the Path to Literacy project and Shred Day project. The link is at the bottom of this web page and was last updated on 08/15/2009 when the paving was completed.

**Gear Up** is written by **Jim Buckley** and **Art Cort**. Web site, photography, and artwork through the talents of **Mike Neal**.