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## Upcoming Programs

**June 24 Debunking President Peter.**  
With Anne LeClair in charge, it won't be pretty.

**July 1 Central Park Rotary Grove annual picnic in the park meeting.**  
Note: Check out our [website](#) for events, updates

## Spinnings for June 17, 2010

**"All the news that fits, we print."**

### *Future Events:*

Saturday June 26 Work day at Bayside Middle School. 8 AM.

### *In the beginning*

The pledge was given by Peter Sortwell

Invocation: John Derussy

Song: T. Jack Foster

Newscast: Chris Lundquist: Not Osama Bin Laden



***Sunshine*** : Bob Whitehill  
The sun is shining!



***Visiting Rotarians*** by Rod Dowiat  
DG Riki Intner visited for the last time as DG.  
Terry Shannon from Foster City, Attorney

***Rotarians with Guests:***

President PW forgot to intro his wife and had to circle back.  
Anne Campbell was introduced.  
Peter Sortwell: Linas Jarasius of Swiss Avenue Partners  
June Birthdays by **Kent Michelson**

**President Peter** showed pictures from the Dine Out at Roti, reminding us what a great job **Sunny Arora** did. Those of us who attended were quit pleased by the high quality food and thankful for Sunny's run down of the dishes available.

**Sue Lempert** wrote an opinion piece for the San Mateo Daily Journal highlighting our club's scholarship programs. Since we have given out nearly two million dollars, it was nice to get some public credit. Is it any wonder that Sue won second place in the feature columns category from the San Francisco Peninsula Press Club during the 33rd Annual Greater Bay Area Journalism Award dinner Saturday?

**Work crew announcement**

President Peter showed us photographic evidence that plants we planted on Jan 17 are still there and growing.

Next Saturday: Bayside Middle School much needed picking up and general grunt work.

Incoming pres **Linda Asbury** reminded us of the July 1 picnic to be held at Central Park.

DG Intne honored Aron Hoffman for joining the Paul Harris Society.



This is a group of Rotarians who give \$1,000 to the RI Foundation every single year!. Way to go, Aron!

On behalf of the club, PW was also presented with a Rotary International award.



**Tom Huening** has hit 25k (miles? meters? Can't be yards.) mark in running, and gave \$250 to the foundation to mark the milestone.

### **Peter's Thank You's**

Began with the notion that in Rotary Past Presidents don't just fade away but continue to be major players in their clubs. With that thought in mind, President Peter will be taking over the Chair of the Foundation Committee.

### **Outgoing President Mugs Fellow Rotarians**

President Peter presented special Rotary Club of San Mateo coffee mugs to various club members as tokens of his appreciation. The awards were limited by number of mugs, not number of deserving people

The club viewed a photoshopped picture of board of directors. Apparently they could never all get together at the same time, so digital magic was invoked.



The Haciendas board was recognized for their often overlooked work.

John Root and Margaret Taylor were recognized for the Four Year Scholarship Program  
Jean Holbrook and Chris Lundquist were recognized for the two Year Scholarship Program .

Don Leydig and Tom Thompson were mugged for the SMART program

**Bob Binn;** recognized for getting a legacy giving program going. To show his gratitude, Pres Peter complains that we aren't getting any money from the program yet. The matter has been referred to the Sunshine Committee.

For those whose long time attendance records have not been recognized, Pres Peter pointed out that when Gino died, we lost attendance records. Record keeping will begin anew.

The Pres noted that the newscasts this year were uniformly G rated; apparently this is a good thing.

Website Lowenstein, Lopez-Garcia

Fishing fellowship Dave Bennett and Michael Berube

Special awards of a Hillsdale gift certificate were handed to:  
Frank Baldanzi for his key role in the Franchise Tax Board adventure



Jeff Lowenstein for his website oversight.



Judy Dombrowsky for her extraordinary book keeping services



At the end of the thank you's Pres Peter asked Anne LeClair for mercy in the debunking next week. As if. NB: Spell-check wants to exchange LeClair to éclair.

At the end of the thank you's, the club gave President Peter Webb a well deserved standing ovation.

### ***The Program***

#### **What happens at the RI convention stays at the RI convention.**

Due to the long list of thank you's, the program was unusually short. Which meant that the amount of obfuscation was held to a minimum.

It seems that the RI convention is preceded by an inordinate number of local festivities including PETS. That would be President Elect Training Seminars. There are also local meeting of presidents each month. The convention itself was held in Birmingham England where Pres Peter had his picture taken with about anyone who would stand still.

Convention highlight: \$9 Wally burgers in Birmingham.

Parade! There was a parade!

Pres Peter's take on his fellow conventioners: They're just like us hardworking successful and looking to contribute beyond the immediate.

### **This Just In**

State Superintendent Jack O'Connell addressed the graduating eight-grade class of Rotarian Jeanne Elliott's Bayside S.T.E.M. Academy last Friday. When the State Super shows up at your graduation ceremony, you *must* be doing a great job!

**Erratum:** Last week this writer neglected to include **Jim Engel** in the list of 3 year perfect attendance folks. Apologies.

No doubt this writer overlooked some who were recognized. For this he apologizes.

.....Lance Huntley  
Apprentice Editor

**REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Board — 2nd Thursday, 7:30 a.m.**

Board meets at the Main Library

**Program — 4th Friday, 7:30 a.m.**

Program meets at Park Towers, 700 Laurel Ave.

**COG — 1st Thursday, 7:30 a.m.**

COG at Rotary Floritas - 99 27th Avenue, San Mateo

**Subject to change — visit <http://www.rotary5150.org> for latest information**

**MAKEUP SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY**

Belmont, 12:15, Van's Restaurant

Burlingame, 12:15, Sheraton Gateway

**TUESDAY**

Millbrae, 12:15, Green Hills CC

Pacifica, 7:15 am, Sharp Park GC

Peninsula Sunrise, 7:30 a.m., Pete's Harbor, Redwood City

Redwood City, 12:15, Sequoia Club

San Francisco, Noon, Kensington Park Hotel

San Francisco Greater Mission, 7:45 am, Double Play Restaurant

**WEDNESDAY**

Daly City, 12:15, Marie Callender's Restaurant

Foster City, 12:15, Crowne Plaza

Menlo Park, 12:15, Menlo Park Rec Center

San Bruno, 12:15, El Rancho Inn

San Francisco Bayview, 6 pm, So. Seafood Village

SFO Airport, 12:00, Firewood Café, Int'l Terminal

Woodside/Portola Valley, 7:30 am, Woodside Village Church

**THURSDAY**

Fisherman's Wharf, 7:30 am, Franciscan Restaurant

Half Moon Bay, 12:15, United Methodist Church

So. San Francisco, 12:15, Basque Cultural Center

**FRIDAY**

San Mateo Sunrise, 7:30 am Crystal Springs GC

San Carlos, 12:15, Piaceri Restaurant