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Upcoming Events

Baseball in San Francisco
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Been Out of the Country?

by *Donn Black*

No doubt many St. Helena Rotarians have had some pretty interesting experiences making up at Clubs outside the U.S. Well, we all want to hear about it-share those experiences. Please, when you do make-up abroad and find it interesting and different, let President Chuck know to get scheduled for a 3-minute or so slot to tell us all about it at one of our club meetings. We'll be looking forward to your report!

Meeting Report Mar 18 2008

by *John Muhlnr*

Future business leaders groomed by Junior Achievement

Inspired Rotarian **Jonathan Briano** introduced **Craig Underhill** and **Angela Higidon** from Junior Achievement (JA) to the St. Helena Rotary Club on March 18. After a few introductory remarks about the values of Junior Achievement, **Craig** showed a short film, which reflected several youngsters depicting what they had learned through JA.

Following the film, **Craig** turned the program over to **Angela**, Executive Director of the local chapter, who opened her remarks by thanking the members of Rotary for their past financial support. **Angela** stated that JA reaches out all over the world and to over 8 million students world wide, about 4 million in the US, and approximately 4,200 in Napa County. She is hopeful of reaching 5,000 in the county before the end of year. The chapter's annual budget is approximately \$100,000 which comes from foundations, service clubs, individuals, businesses, corporations, etc.

Angela went on to say that there are essentially three levels of JA participation in the school system. First is in the high schools where the students are taught financial acumen including balancing their check books, learning about credit cards, life insurance, etc. The second level is in the middle schools where the US economy is introduced and discussed, and the third level is at the elementary level where city government and its operations are explained.

After Q and A, **Cindy Warren** and **Frank Sottile** spoke up about the values of JA and how much fun it has been to be involved with the organization.

Visiting Rotarians: **Gary Rose** from Sunrise, Napa, presented Sunrise's upcoming fundraiser "Rotary Ride for Veterans" on April 26th and encouraged the St. Helena club's participation. The event will be held in conjunction with the California Veterans Home in Yountville and will be supporting returning veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress.

Gary stated that 50% of all funds raised by St. Helena Rotary through \$30 ticket sales, customized "T" signs, silent auction, etc.. will be passed back to the club.

Guests:

Mark Terrell introduced **Jim Bachor**, a probable new member.

Phil Toohey introduced **Linda Scheibel** from the Cambodian Relief Project.

Announcements:

Carol Sobczak encouraged the new members of the board and officers to attend the intensive training workshop in Ukiah on April 12th. All expenses to be reimbursed,

President Chuck held up and discussed the yellow brochure which explains all about St Helena Rotary and its projects. He also mentioned that the lifeblood of the club are its new members. **Roger Adams** reported that Rotary St Helena would be sending 2 high school students to camp. **Charlotte Williamson** reminded the club members about the walk/run in San Francisco supporting MMRF fund. **Joice Beatty** reported the untimely death of Ron Wright. **Nancy Levenberg** encouraged members to support Earth Day on April 26 - by participating in the annual City Clean-Up, and to sign-up for Bocce Ball and the kick-off luncheon on April 18th.

Raffle:

The winners were: **David Moreland, Gary Rose** (Visiting Rotarian), and **Jim Wright**

Finemaster:

Joel Toller stumped almost all the following on questions relating to Holy Week: **DeWitt Garlock, Jim Haslet, Fr. Mac, Bob Hoffman, Ima Holcomb,** and **Polly Keegan.**

Bell Ringers:

Phil Toohey reported that his son left for China a few days ago to head-up the U.S. Olympic medical clinic and will remain there through September supporting the Para-Olympics. **Dave Morlamd** stated that his "Bees" were successful in pollinating 94 acres.