Catching Up – Meet New Member, Craig Price

Well, here we are, one month into the Presidency of David Bloedel and we are already running last year’s news. Actually David is doing a fine job but it is always front page news when we induct a brand new Rotarian and so please meet Craig Price who was inducted into our club in June of 2008. Craig is a lawyer and a partner in Griffith & Thornburgh, LLP, located at 8 East Figueroa St. in Santa Barbara. He’s married to Tricia and is also a Berkeley man, but we won’t hold that against him.

New member, Craig Price with sponsor, Bill Carty (L) and now Past Prez, Dave Durflinger (R).

ROTARY MEETINGS IN AUGUST

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Rotary Club of Carpinteria

Club Foundation Report

Our Foundation Committee held the first meeting of the year on 7/7/08. This was also considered the Annual Meeting of the Club Foundation where we elected or confirmed the Foundation officers, and elected Directors. Andy Bailard was elected President, Lin Graf was confirmed to continue as Secretary and Donna Treloar was confirmed to continue as Treasurer. The Directors elected were Dave Bloedel, Dave Durflinger, Bob Berkenmeier and John Welty.

Important recommendations included:

1. Review and update the Foundation By-Laws to meet our current needs
2. Provide funds for specific capital type items or improvements where needed in Carpinteria
3. Start an Endowment Fund for scholarships, youth education and services, assistance to seniors and other designated purposes
4. Survey club members to determine the focus of the Club Foundation and whether to establish an Endowment Fund

The Foundation receives the funds from the various fundraising events, and last year nearly $13,000 was donated to support numerous local and international projects. Congratulations to Club members for last year’s accomplishments. The Foundation Committee asks for continued member support so that we can do even more for our community and special projects for the coming year.

Andy Bailard
Chair. Foundation Committee

Thoughts from the Club Service Director

Wow, one month of the new Rotary year has already gone by and, under the leadership of President David Bloedel, all seems to be going well. But in order to make this year the very best in “Service Above Self,” we all have to help each other with our new Rotary jobs. Our club cannot do great things for others without the support of the total membership. So please step up and look for that program that would interest the membership. Give ideas for helping others. Above all, be excited about our club and what we do. I will continue to work hard to support our president and club goals, and I hope you will, too.

Many thanks to those of you who have already helped with our programs. This first month was just fine, and next month looks good also. But I think we always can do better. We are looking for programs in October – November. I will be back from vacation August 10th and look forward to hearing your suggestions.

John F. Welty
Club Service
Presidential Musings

Summertime, and the livin' is easy.

This "Easy Livin" month begins, as it does each year, with Fiesta! What could be more California Summer than adorning our Rotary Float with flowers on July 31st and watching it in the big Historical Parade on the first day of August?

Our Rotary club program planners have put together a complimentary set of programs which fit an August Summertime Living Theme. On the 7th Barry Enticknap will again lead us on a new adventure of discovery at our neighboring Channel Islands National Park and Marine Sanctuary......With fires threatening much of our state this summer it will be timely to hear from our Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Department on the 14th......"In the Navy, In the Navy' - no, it's not an old rock group but a real Navy League officer who, on August 21st, will bring us up to date on this fine support group for our sailors who sail the ocean blue......And, in case you physically over-did it this summer, we will hear a report on August 28th about the fascinating changes taking place in the art of physical therapy. Every one of these would be good days to bring a Rotary Guest or Potential Rotarian.

For our Rotarians scattered here and there on summer vacations the living might seem to be easy as they visit exotic places - except for the long lines, crowded planes and astronomical travel costs. Hmmmm............Staying home and kicking back at a Carpinteria barbecue with good friends and an Island Brew (Note: blatant product placement!), a soda or a refreshing glass of Santa Barbara County wine while enjoying the ocean view and a cool breeze at the close a hot summer day is sounding more and more like "the livin' is easy".

Hey, this is no day dream! It's a for-real Rotary Event coming this month. Bring your sweetie and come to our Carpinteria Rotarians Living Is Easy Summer BBQ at Betty Brown's home, 3483 Padaro Lane, on Friday, August 22 at 6:00 PM. We'll be passing around a Sign-up Sheet at the August meetings so Betty can know for how many to prepare, and there will be a small charge which may be added to your Rotary invoice. You may also bring an appetizer or a dessert and/or a bottle of your favorite beverage to share. And, of course you may bring a Potential Rotarian.

Even our District Seminars are "easy" this summer month. A half-day Membership Development Seminar will be held in Oxnard on August 9, and a compact Seminar on Grant Writing and Rotary Foundation will be held in Montecito on August 11. If you are interested in attending either or both of these please see me ahead of time so you can be registered. There will be no charge to you.

While the living may be easy for many this summer we all know that it is not easy for everyone. The needs continue and so does Rotary Service. Our club is now more than half way to sponsoring our first young child who has been orphaned by the AIDS epidemic in Africa. Thank you for your loose change and intentional gifts placed in our Make Dreams Real Orphan Rescue Project cups at club meetings! We can all make the living easier for our Carpinteria senior and shut in citizens by helping out at one or both of the Brown Bag Project dates this month.

Enjoy the summer, Rotarians, and enjoy making living easier for someone else.

Yours in Rotary Service, David Bloedel
My Presidential Memories (Tales from the Great Northwest)

You’ve probably heard it said that the best thing about being President of the Rotary Club, is that then you get to be a “Past President!” Well, I couldn’t disagree more. During the Rotary year 1999-2000 I learned so much about myself, my Rotary friends, Rotary’s work in the world around me, and how blessed we are to be able to practice “Service Above Self.”

Up until that time, I couldn’t quite grasp how important it is that our organization has an international focus. We started providing some dental clinics in Russia to people who had never heard of a dentist, much less seen one. Can you imagine what your teeth would look like without any dental hygiene and the likes of Dr. Bob? Now, imagine what you would tell everyone you know if a group of people from the United States showed up to help you, for no other reason than they wanted to help you. It was difficult for people in a newly emerging democracy to grasp the idea, but hopefully, they understood our gift and at some time in their lives, decided to pass on a gift to someone else.

Along the same lines, during my term as President our club became a 100% Sustaining Member Club, with each member contributing a minimum of $100 per year to R.I. One of the things discussed at the joint board meeting held in June this year was the possibility that our club could become a 100% Paul Harris Fellow club. That would be such a wonderful accomplishment – I truly hope we do it!

A couple of funny things happened during the year. The first was that we decided to go on an all-day whale watching trip out to the Channel Islands. Well, Friday was as calm as could be. And Sunday was as calm as could be. Unfortunately, Saturday saw 6 foot swells every 10 seconds, and you guessed it, some people were sick before leaving the harbor. Nilo has yet to be able to think about going for a boat ride!

Also, remember Y2K?! Also known as the scheme by computer/software makers to get rich? Anyway, I was planning a New Year’s Eve party and no one would sign up to come because of the threat that somehow the world was going to come to an end, or at least go back to the 1900’s!

I think the most important thing I learned was the Rotarians pull together to accomplish great things when asked. And lots of times, they do it even when they aren’t asked. Volunteer and get involved—you won’t be sorry.

Signing off, as today I’m hiking to a natural bridge in Yellowstone National park. Wish you were here. See everyone in October!

Donna

Editor’s Note: This is the first in a series (I hope) of “Presidential Memories”.

Thank you Donna for taking the “first swing at the cat”.

Please send Club information and news and comments to
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2008 Junior Wheelchair Camp

I just finished spending a week at UCSB volunteering at the 2008 Junior Wheelchair Camp. I had the privilege of photographing some of the action of these amazing wheelchair bound kids ages 5-17 doing incredible feats of rock climbing, rugby, scuba diving and kayaking. UCSB had hosted the event for the last 23 years but ran out of funding for this year’s program. Cottage Hospital Foundation and Cottage Rehabilitation Foundation stepped up and funded the camp this year, making it one of the most successful years of the camp. 2 new custom fitted wheelchairs were awarded to two deserving campers as well as other numerous prizes and awards. This is the most exciting week of the year for most of these kids and it showed on their faces. It was a week I’ll never forget. Thank you to Michael Ensign of Holiday Inn Express of Carpinteria for providing housing for 10 families for this event and to Subway of Carpinteria for feeding 125 hungry campers and volunteers. See attached photos. More photos of the event can be seen at www.powdrell.smugmug.com

Submitted by David Powdrell
Rotary Club of Carpinteria

Images from the 2008 Rotary International Convention

Photos courtesy of John Welty
JayFoolery

Your 2008-2009 Board in Action
Another of Mr. Welty’s “3 Minute” Talks

“And, if I may digress again for just a minute or so....”

“Just make it stop”

“Lord, take me now.”

“Just shoot me”

“Here it goes, the death stare”

“ZZZZZ”

“ZZZZZ”

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“ZZZZZ”

Club Assembly 7/10/2008

Club Administration Director Welty addresses the audience as his fellow bored (oops) board members react. Those assembled were acutely aware that Mr. Welty was also filling in for Foundation chair, Andy Bailard, and thus he would later be returning to the podium. Honorary member, Fos Campbell, made the unfortunate decision to attend this week’s meeting. We probably won’t see him again for quite a spell.

Editor’s Note: No actual feelings were purported to be hurt as a result of the publication of this cartoon.
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Our Past Presidents

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Rotary Makeup

- **Carpinteria Morning**
  - Meeting Wednesday 7:00 AM at the Carpinteria Woman's Club, 1059 Vallecito Rd., Carpinteria
- **Goleta - Meeting**
  - Tuesday 6:30 PM at the Elephant Bar Restaurant, 521 Firestone, Goleta
- **Goleta Noonitime - Meeting**
  - Tuesday 11:45 AM at the Elephant Bar Restaurant, 521 Firestone, Goleta
- **Montecito – Meeting**
  - Tuesday 12:10 PM at The Montecito Country Club, Montecito
- **Santa Barbara - Meeting**
  - Friday at Noon at the Fess Parker Double Tree Resort, Santa Barbara
- **Santa Barbara North – Meeting**
  - Wednesday Noon in the Warren Room of the Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara
- **Santa Barbara Sunrise – Meeting**
  - Wednesday 7:00 AM Santa Barbara Club, 1105 Chapala St., Santa Barbara

August Assignments

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- Greeter/Flag Salute – Matthew Berger
- “Who Am I” Spotlight – Preston Marx

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- Greeter/Flag Salute – Bob Berkenmeier
- “Who Am I” Spotlight – Meredith McCurdy

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- Greeter/Flag Salute – Bill (Doc) Carty
- “Who Am I” Spotlight – Craig Meister

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 28**
- Greeter/Flag Salute – Anthony Castillo
- “Who Am I” Spotlight – Craig Murray

Rotary’s Upper Crust (working for the man)

Rotary International President: Dong Kurn (D. K.) Lee, Rotary Club of Seoul Hangang, South Korea
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