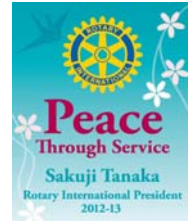




Bass Blitzes BERC fines of \$250.00 for Absent President Randall (Old Club Tradition)



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Dan Klingenberger speaker from the Employment Law Group gave an update to the new laws employers are facing as of the new year- There are 22...while he couldn't cover all of them he had detailed hand outs. Contact Christy Swatzell for a copy in case you missed this meeting. Much time was spent discussing the safety issues around religious attire such as turbans and beards cannot be banned if they are for religious reasons. The new laws don't address safety, however. Social Media is also addressed and now clarified. New term for Mental Retardation- now called Intellectual Disability. 24 page report, much detail!



Past President Dave Bass Conducts Meeting for President Christine Randall

Past President Dave suggests buying a bottle of wine for your mom because YOU are the reason she drinks. (don't get it at the Roto Lounge however- you only get a free glass of wine.)

Grand Opening -You Are Invited
Kern Assistive Technology Service
February 12, 2013 2:00 at 2600 F Street



Jim Tingstrom and wife Freona from Ventura visited today



Aaron Markovits sponsored the Roto Lounge to show off the many things that can be done to help Disabled persons use new technology.

OFFICERS

- President: Christine Randall
- Secretary: Alejandro Haiek
- Treasurer: Bob Parker
- Sgt. at Arms: Tom Burch
- Board Advisor: Larry Moxley

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- Administration: Michele Brown
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- Community Service: Jim Williams
- International Service: Baynes Bank
- New Generations: Aaron Markovits
- Rotary Foundation: Dan Giordano
- Past President: Dave Bass
- President '13-14: Sandi Schwartz

UPCOMING EVENTS AT BAKERSFIELD EAST

- 02/04/13 Vino Amore Committee Meeting 5:30
- 02/08/13 BERC DARK
- 02/09/13 Charter Night Diamond Jubilee Celebration
- 02/15/13 Meet & Greet No Speaker
- 02/22/13 Speaker Frank Tropiccio- Rotary International
- 03/01/13 Speaker Ron Biglin and Melinda Westfahl- River Cruising and How to Pack Your Suitcase
- 03/08/13 Speaker Chief Executive Officer at Mojave Airport
- 03/19 Board Meeting



Supper Club
J's Rosedale Hwy
Wednesday, Feb. 13
 6:00 PM make RSVP **Gary Stanfill** 327-8476 or call his office leave message with Meredith

February Birthdays

- **Franey 5**
- **Parker 7**
- **Pereyra 14**
- **Swatzell 16**



FEBRUARY Rotarian Magazine Assignments

R. I. Presidents page—**Terry Schroeppfer**
 Page 14—**Jim Turner**
 Page 23—**Doug Amstutz**
 Page 39—**Christy Swatzell**
 Page 55—**Bruce Keith** with Ambassadorial Scholar **Rhio Shinagawa**
 Did you know that for years Cy Wade, founding member, he supplied who got what assignments? Now Dan Giordano, PP has taken

Looking for Sponsors for the Roto Lounge

Your business could do some marketing activities and socialize with fellow Rotarians. See **Bill Gresco** to set up a week for your sponsorship or e mail at:

WILLIAM.GRESCO@SBCGLOBAL.NET
 DO BUSINESS WITH A FELLOW BERCER

Sad Note: Former Member Bobby B. Harper passed away on January 29, 2013. He was a Paul Harris Fellow.

BLASTS FROM THE PAST VIA FRANK GEDDES, PDG

Harris' Homilies: Words of Wisdom By Rotary Founding Father Paul Harris

"Whether we do much or little in the way of public work, it is apparent that there is a large and unique field of usefulness in Rotary. Possessing as we do red blood in our veins, it is fair to assume that we shall not be indifferent to the welfare of the communities in which we exist, nor unwilling to lend a hand to the doing of those things in the interests of the public which come within the proper sphere of our activities."

"As no individual who shirks his community service can lay justifiable claim to being a well-rounded citizen, so no Rotary club of today which is indifferent to the welfare of the city in which it is established measures up to the stature of full-grown Rotary clubs."

"Can a club of fifty or a hundred members influence the character of a small city? It has been clearly proven that Rotary clubs do influence the characters of the cities in which they are established. The influence naturally is most noticeable in the smaller communities. Many a dejected, spiritless town of the Main Street variety has been revived and invigorated. Existence can become drab indeed in small towns where there is no public spirit and where home folks are given to bickering and gossip. If the spirit is what it should be, life should be at its best in the smaller communities."

Part 18: 1969/70, Charles "Tut" Webster, President

1969/70 was the year of BERC's first king: King "Tut" I! Kicking off the year was a nice article in The Bakersfield Californian (in those days we could get a little publicity from the local rag). The only problem was that the article and photo caption were all about Rotarian of the Year Jim Huber while the photo was that of our newly crowned leader. Oh well!

DG Oran Palmer, Remlap's dad, visited on August 13th and tapped Lloyd Plank to head up the "On To Bakersfield" campaign for the District Conference in November. September brought a club luau and a statement of appreciation from Dick Henderson to hosts Barney & Joy Gill, to wit: **I am going to tell them as soon as I get there when I am able so I will know that I let them know."** Right!

Judy Butterfield, our exchange student, returned to BERC to tell the members all about her adventures during her exciting year in Norway. December's Kids Day featured Pat

The College of Rotary Knowledge—

"One of the most popular programs of The Rotary Foundation is Matching Grants, which assists Rotary clubs and districts in conducting international service projects. Since 1965, more than 24,000 grants have been awarded for projects in nearly 170 countries, totaling more than US\$243 million. The Rotary Foundation provides matching funds to clubs or districts for relatively small, one-time-only humanitarian service projects. Grants are awarded for a wide variety of projects, such as providing agriculture, water, and medical care/equipment; combatting diseases; helping the disabled; promoting literacy and numeracy; and developing educational or occupational training programs. The minimum grant award is \$5,000, and the maximum is \$150,000. The Foundation provides a \$0.50 match for every \$1 cash contribution and a \$1 match for every \$1 District Designated Fund contribution.

Matching Grants are not approved to purchase land or construct buildings and may not be used for programs already underway or completed. Personal participation by Rotarians is required, and the benefits should extend beyond the recipients.

The Matching Grants program plays a very significant part in The Rotary Foundation's humanitarian work and provides an important incentive for clubs to undertake worthwhile service projects in another part of the world."

*** From "The ABCs of Rotary" ***
 By PRIP 1992/93 Cliff Dochterman

Walsh as Santa Claus, lots of kids, hamburgers, ice cream— and snakes! East High Interact put on a car wash which was well patronized by BERCers. Jack Baird was fined heavily (\$25 in 1969 dollars) not for being chosen as District "On To Australia" Chmn (for the R.I. Convention in Sydney) but rather for failing to sit with his mother at Ladie's Day! And in the Spring the four local Rotary clubs sponsored several "Four Way Test" billboards around town and enjoyed a "steak and (gin) fizz breakfast" in Downtown Rotarian Ralph Smith's spacious back yard. As RotoNews reported, "if you've never visited Ralph Smith's back yard, it takes about four fizzes just to tour the grounds!"

New Texting Slang Dictionary for Old People

ATD— At the Doctor
 BTW— Bring the Wheelchair
 BYOT— Bring Your Own Teeth
 DWI— Driving While Incontinent
 IMHO— Is My Hearing-Aid On?
 LOL— Living on Lipitor
 ROFL— CGU— Rolling on the Floor Laughing but Can't Get Up

Past President Dave Bass— provided this list

This week in business:

- Dan Urban led us in prayer, Sandi Schwartz led the flag salute. George Palmer, PDG had us sing O'Beautiful for a change of pace. Tom Burch introduced a large number of visiting Rotarians— Jim Tingstrom and wife Freona from Ventura, Bob Lerue, Parks & Recreation from the Breakfast Club. The Past President of the Breakfast Club and now Past President of the Twilight Club— Jim Bell, who is also a District Governor's nominee for District 5240. Ben Batey was brought to the meeting by Frank Colatruglio. We had 6 Garces High Kids who Sandi Schwartz had introduce themselves, Bruce Keith introduced Riho who needs no introduction as our Ambassadorial Scholar. And lastly Helen Bass the PP Bass's wife, and former first lady.



Look Who Showed Up Today! Frank Colatruglio brought former long time member Ben Batey to the meeting. He may rejoin!

- Birthday's were Phil Franey on the 5th, Bob Parker 7th, with Jose Pereyra on the 14th. Partner Birthday's is Ann Braun on the 12th. We sang the BD Song. Wedding Anniversaries on the 3rd Rena Kay and Richard Schrader, 12 years. Johnson and Dian Jung will celebrate on the 9th 28 years, but Johnson was missing today.
- Club Anniversaries was Kelly Giblin, 19 years today, Wayne Kress 27 years and John Jung 34 years. To top them all is Tom Larwood 52 years! However, another club anniversary which is on the same day as Kelly Giblin is Tony Ansolabehere also 19 years coming in on the same day to BERC. Madame President is fined \$50.00 for the error on the agenda. On the 5th is Sandi Schwartz for 14 years, Feb. 10 is Andrew Ozanich for 1 year. Aaron Markovits, Baynes Bank and Alejandro Haiek are all 3 years on the 12th.
- An Old Tradition was resurrected— Fining the President who is absent. Anyone could confess anything fine free— but no one took up PP Bass on this freebee. 8 lucky people were without pins and went fine free. Madame President is fined \$100.00 for repeating January's Awareness Month rather than February's. PP Bass said it was World Understanding Month, however Jim Bell wasn't sure about that, in any event the fine stands.
- There is no supper club this week because of Charter Night. The following week will be at J's on Rosedale Hwy. See you all at the Stockdale Country Club on Saturday!
- Ethics Conference March 12th needs a couple of more people to sign up— see Steve Richardson. It is held at the Doubletree from 8:00-1:00.
- Nobody wore a coat today— stinky or not.
- February reading assignments were in error since Dan Giordano, PP didn't get the info in for the RotoNews, so Madame President was fined \$100.00.
- Check out your numbers for the super bowl. Everyone in the club will be emailed with the results.
- Jim Bell reminded everyone of the March 2nd Basic PERLS and then 9th. & 23rd. Situational Facilitational Leadership classes he will be teaching. They are looking for teachers on the subject from membership in the District. Sandi Schwartz is paying for the Interactors at Garces to attend PERLS.
- Greeter was Jim Williams, John Wilson was missing. At the reception table was Steve Karcher, no Jim Turner. Melinda Westfahl took home the box of forms and missed the meeting, so Madame President was fined \$100.00 again. No 50/50 either. The meeting ended with a joke- "Did you hear about 3 ladies that were sitting quietly together minding their own business?" No punch line.

Area Meetings

MONDAY

Bakersfield South-noon
Petroleum Club

Wasco- noon
Veteran's Hall on Poplar Ave.

TUESDAY

Bakersfield North- noon
Petroleum Club

Inyokern- 6 p.m.
Bernardino's

WEDNESDAY

Bakersfield West-noon
Stockdale Country Club

China Lake-noon
Heritage Inn

Shafter-6:30 a.m.
Shafter Vet's Hall
Bakersfield Breakfast-
6:45 am

Petroleum Club
Taft- noon

Jo's Restaurant

THURSDAY

Frazier Park- 5:30 PM
Los Pinos Restaurant

Bakersfield Downtown-
noon
Bakersfield Art Museum

Tehachapi- noon
Kelcy's Restaurant

Delano-noon
Kong's Dynasty

Kern River Valley - 6 pm
Ewings

FRIDAY

Bakersfield East - noon
Starlight Theatre

BERC CLUB

Reminder Club

Assignments: 02/15

Greeters: Smith & Schwartz

Flag Salute: Schroepfer

Invocation: Schrader

Visiting Rotarians:

Sabin

Front Desk: Tarpley & Ramos

Find a Replacement or pay a fine!



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WE'LL BE ON THE WEB SOON

***“A bargain is something that you can’t use
at a price you can’t resist.”***

Franklin P. Jones