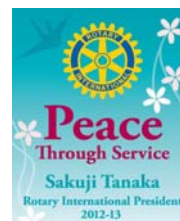




# Meet & Greet Rotarians at Work in Bakersfield

**This Past Week**



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Greeter Jim Williams—says he was Sandi Schwartz today...the only thing one could see they had in common was being Rotarians & being tall! Looks like Roy Hermann is being greeted by Jim, I mean Sandi.



PP Tom Burch faithfully takes pictures at Charter Night & brings them in, distributes them, sends them wherever for members or friends not present. He's been doing this for years with little applause— Tom is hard at work preserving the present so someday it will be in the past! Thank You!



Youth Financial Literacy Class at East Bakersfield High School (above) Group that is being taught by Roy Hermann and Baynes Bank. Roy Hermann in action (below). BERCers using their talents for youth!



President Christine seems very happy to be back at the Podium & to pay \$250.00 in fines !!

**OFFICERS**

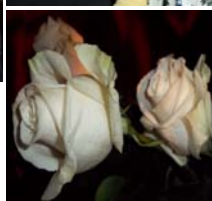
President: Christine Randall

Secretary: Alejandro Haick

Treasurer: Bob Parker

Sgt. at Arms: Tom Burch

Board Advisor: Larry Moxley



Hope everyone had a good Valentine's Day!

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Administration: Michele Brown

Membership: Scarlett Sabin

Vocational Service: Bill Gresco

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**

02/19/13 Board Meeting

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

03/15/13 Speaker to be Announced

03/19 Board Meeting

03/22/13 Speaker Sandy Morris, Bakersfield Police Department "Master Piece Living"

03/29/13 Meet & Greet No Speaker



**Supper Club**  
**Pappy's**  
 4795 Panama Ln. SE Corner-  
 Wednesday  
 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 Schroepfer  
 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 sup-  
 plied who got what assignments?  
 Now Dan Giordano, PP has taken  
 on the assignment.

**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](mailto:WILLIAM.GRESCO@SBCGLOBAL.NET)

DO BUSINESS WITH A FELLOW BERCER

**BLASTS FROM THE PAST VIA FRANK GEDDES, PDG**

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

"Even staunchly built New England houses may disappear as a result of storm, flood, or fire, but memories of homes where love abides are imperishable. When one looks back over a long period of years, much which once seemed important fades into insignificance, while other things grow into such commanding importance that one may in truth say, "Nothing else matters." Sacrifice, devotion, honor, truth, sincerity, love -- these are the homely virtues characteristic of good, old-fashioned homes."

"Life is more than steels, motors, and rails, more than business. Business is a means to an end, not the end. The sweetest words of tongue or pen are not stocks, bonds, interest and dividends: the sweetest words of tongue or pen are mother, father, wife, son, daughter, friends. They stand for life's imperishables."

**Part 22: 1971/72— Martin Simon President**

1971/72 began with an interclub Steak Feed with South at Kern River Golf Park and a visitation & lunch at the all new Bakersfield Inn. Books were collected and donated to the Paul Harris Memorial Library in the "Mexican Colony" three miles south of Shafter. Proceeds from BERC's fireworks sale were tallied and showed \$4,500 in sales; over \$1,000 in profits and just \$10 worth of merchandise left over. Now that's merchandising!

Other activities included a bus trip to an L.A. Dodgers/N.Y. Mets game, an Environmental Workshop at the Bakersfield College Theater, a visitation to the Virginia Colony Fire Station in S.E. Bakersfield (Fire Chief Bob Williams was a new BERC member), a leap-year (Feb. 29th) interclub with North at East, and Joint Meetings with all Bakersfield clubs to hear nationally famous newscaster George Putnam and Apollo II Astronaut Buzz Aldrin (2nd man to step on the surface of the Moon) speak. Jim Huber served as Master of Ceremonies at BERC's 20th Anniversary Celebration (Charter Night) held at the Elks' Club. Robert Sharon was BERC's emissary to the Rotary Club of Kristiansand, Norway, spending an exciting year there as a Youth Exchange student. And we proudly sponsored the chartering of a new Interact club (our second) at Highland High.

One other item of note in '71/'72 was the presentation by the Congress of Neurological Surgeons of its Distinguished Service Award at its annual meeting in Miami. This prestigious award, extended only three times in the Congress' 21 years of existence, went to BERC's own Dr. George Ablin.

**The College of Rotary Knowledge—**

"PolioPlus is Rotary's massive effort to eradicate poliomyelitis from the world. It was launched in 1985 with the goal of raising US\$120 million to immunize the developing world's children against polio for five years. The PolioPlus fundraising campaign that concluded in 1988 raised a record \$247 million. In 2002, after a funding gap was identified as the most significant obstacle to global eradication, Rotary launched a new polio eradication fundraising campaign called Fulfilling Our Promise: Eradicate Polio, with a goal of \$80 million. With typical generosity and enthusiasm, Rotarians raised more than \$135 million in cash, District Designated Fund allocations, and government matching funds. Overall, Rotarian contributions to the global polio eradication effort will exceed \$650 million.

Of equal significance has been the huge volunteer army mobilized by Rotary International. Hundreds of thousands of volunteers at the local level have provided support during National Immunization Days -- and continue to do so in the few polio-endemic countries -- mobilizing their communities for immunization and other polio eradication activities.

Rotary International is part of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in partnership with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, national governments, and others, making this effort the world's most extensive public-private health undertaking. As a result of the initiative's efforts, almost two billion children have received oral polio vaccine and are protected from poliomyelitis. WHO declared the Americas polio-free in 1994, the Western Pacific region in 2000, and Europe in 2002.

As of 2006, the number of polio cases had been reduced 99 percent since 1985. Efforts are focused on eradicating the virus in a few remaining polio-endemic countries -- all in Africa and South Asia.

Achieving eradication will be difficult (only one other disease, smallpox, has ever been eradicated) and expensive (estimated cost is nearly \$3 billion). It requires polio-endemic, high-risk, and recently endemic countries to carry out National Immunization Days to immunize all children under the age of five, continued routine immunization of children worldwide, systematic reporting of all suspected cases, rapid response to outbreaks, and establishment of laboratory networks. This infrastructure developed for the polio eradication initiative is helping to combat many other infectious diseases throughout the developing world.

No other non-governmental organization has ever made a commitment on the scale of PolioPlus. It may be considered the greatest humanitarian service the world has ever seen. Every Rotarian can share the pride of that achievement."

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

Ask Madame President about meeting Peggy Fullerton from the Breakfast Club about their meeting in a restaurant in Santa Barbara and then being seated together at the Santa Barbara Symposium on Saturday-- it was cute, you shoulda been there!

## This week in business:

- Well this week a short prayer by Rena Kay Schrader. Madame President wrote down Terry to do Flag Salute...she didn't know which one. Maxwell offered, but Schroepfer took over his assignment. Then since Baynes Bank wasn't here (too wore out from teaching financial literacy), PDG George had us sing GBA. Scarlet Sabin was AOL, so Tom Burch ran around the room and told us about Larry Tiller from Taft, Bob Lurie from the Parks & Recreation Department- Downtown Club. For guests we had Dave.... From Stop the Violence program. Also, Rijo joined us again. No spouses Birthdays, one anniversary Jose & Gracie Pereyra, who were absent, married on the 16th 30 years! Club Anniversaries- John Fanucchi 5 years today, but he also was MIA. Then the Birthday Girl wasn't on Madame President's list, more fines. (see right- picture).
- Gary Stanfill didn't know where supper club was going to be- see the second page of the Roto News, he got the scoop from Johnson Jung and it will be at Pappy's on Panama Lane.
- No one sponsored the RotoLounge- see Bill Gresco if interested for next week.
- PRLS is coming to Bakersfield on Saturday, March 2nd. (Potential Rotary Leaders Seminar) PP Dave Bass actually knew what PRLS was! It's being held at the Marriott Hotel. Cost \$50.00 for members, \$25.00 for Rotoractors, or Spouses of Rotarians. There are 6 courses throughout the day.
- Rich Harger took Gail Malouf to dinner, bought concert tickets and roses. The dinner was a gift card, so cost him only .84 cents- cheep date. Bill Lewis took Jane to the Steak & Grape. Terry Maxwell took Paula to Dagnies and sat under the umbrella outside and listened to Blue Grass Music.



Andrea Covey- hasn't changed to her new last name yet -shows off her wedding shoes- she was very comfortable during the long Mass. The Stinky Green Coat is going to Bora Bora and pictures are promised of her in that coat!



Birthday Girl- Christie (happy to say she's 61)Swatzell got her check for winning the football pool for one of the quarters- \$200.00. Nice Birthday Present! Other winners were Bob Parker, Christine Randall & Jean Watanabe. Thanks to Quon Louey and Mike Cooper for putting it together!



Look who showed up to say, just for lunch- Larry Tiller from the Taft Club. He and PDG George Palmer go way back !



- The 50-50 drawing was Sandi (Jim) Schwartz out of \$257, she got 4 bucks!

Meet & Greet is always a light meal, but how nice is this? A chocolate cake drizzled with strawberry, a fresh strawberry on top and fresh blueberries. MMMMM-

## 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 Reminder Club

Assignments: 02/22

Greeters: Pereyra & Parker

Flag Salute: Palmer

Invocation: Moxley

Visiting Rotarians: ?

Front Desk: Tarpley & Ramos

Find a Replacement or pay a fine!



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BAKERSFIELD EAST

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WE'LL BE ON THE WEB SOON

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***“What you discover about life’s shell game  
is that it’s hardest to follow the pea when  
you’re the pea”***

***Robert Brault***