



BERC Gin Fizzed 2013

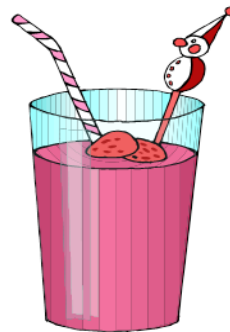


Our Newest Member– Amanda Frank. As bright as the sun behind her and joining her first Gin Fizz Breakfast! No one should be so cheery at 7:00 AM, I don't see a Rotary Pin, Just Sayin'



Below– Bud Leedy was and has been the bartender at least since 1995 for this event. He makes great Virgin Gin Fizzes, however Susan wasn't able to come as she had to take their 9 year old to school! My how time fly's!

Madame President Randall went to a Rolling Stones Concert the night before and had little trouble getting started and then no control over the meeting as everyone was talking, talking, talking....but on the bright side, Barbara Tarpley had on her shoes!



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UPCOMING EVENTS AT BAKERSFIELD EAST

- 05/17/13 Speaker Jim Tague Energy in 21st Century
- 05/24/13 Meet & Greet No Speaker
- 05/31/13 Vocational Program– BERC High School Scholarship Project
- 06/07/13 Speaker Bryonn Baker, co-owner Interim Healthcare (fragile children)
- 06/12/13 Joint Board Meeting Dinner 5:30 @ Sandi Schwartz's House
- 06/14/13 Speaker Major General Whitehead-Shafter Minter Field
- 06/21/13 Speaker Jason Gall– Women's Polo Coach at CSUB
- 06/28/13 **Demotion**
- 07/13/13 New Board Retreat 9:00-1:00 @ Sandi Schwartz's House



Supper Club
Postponed for the Summer- see
 Gary Stanfill 327-8476
 or call his office leave a message with Meredith if you want to hook up.

May Birthdays

- Ramsey 1
- Westfahl 4
- Sabin 9
- Burger 17
- Begin 30



May Rotarian Magazine Assignments

- Page 16—Dean Carpenter
 - Page 40—Barbara Tarpley
 - Page 50—Michelle Brown
 - Page 80 —Terry Maxwell
- BE PREPARED**

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
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BLASTS FROM THE PAST VIA FRANK GEDDES, PDG

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

"Insult is a poor means of winning friendship. The best way to win the esteem of others is by observing the simple rules of decency. If they won't accomplish the desired result, nothing will."

"Fellowship is an evangelizing force. Thousands of men have been born anew in the

"When stripped of all formalities and creeds, fellowship flourishes."

"Fellowship is wonderful; it illuminates life's pathway, spreads good cheer, and is worth high price."

"Friendliness knows no bounds; it surmounts all barriers; it navigates all seas."

"Smiles cost nothing, but they illuminate life's pathway wonderfully."

"Smiles are badges of friendliness. There are plenty of them within you. Do not hold them captive. Set them free at right times and places and their beneficent effects will carry to the very gates of eternity."

Editors Note: I have finished with all of the Past Presidents Years, ending in 1983. If anyone has a document from that time forward, please share so that I may share with everyone else. Thank You to Susan Gill for having shared the document presented each week.

On another subject— Gin Fizz Meeting was begun in 1970 by builder/real estate man named Ralph Smith who had everyone over to his house from all the area clubs for breakfast each year. When that event was cancelled when the housing industry fell on hard times. BERC decided that it was a good thing and made it a tradition at Gary Stanfill's house. This has been going on at Gary's for over 20 years now. This was his last Gin Fizz Breakfast at his house, but do not dispare— Bill Lewis will maintain the tradition at his house. As a side story about Ralph Smith— he was shot during a home invasion when my Richard was just a youngster. He and his brother used to camp out at the

The College of Rotary Knowledge—

"From the earliest days of Rotary, members have referred to each other on a first name basis. Since personal acquaintanceship and friendship are cornerstones of Rotary, it was natural that many clubs adopted the practice of setting aside formal titles in conversations among members. Individuals who normally would be addressed as Doctor, Mister, Professor, the Honorable, or Sir are regularly called Joe, Bill, Mary, Karen, or Charley by other Rotarians. The characteristic Rotary club name badge fosters the first-name custom.

In a few areas, such as Europe, club members use a more formal style in addressing fellow members. In other parts of the world, mainly in Asia, the practice is to assign each new Rotarian a humorous nickname that relates to some personal characteristic or describes the member's business or profession. For example, a member nicknamed "Oxygen" is the manufacturer of chemical gas products, while "Trees" might be the nickname for a Rotarian in the lumber business. Other members might carry nicknames like "Muscles," "Foghorn," or "Smiles" as commentaries on their physical characteristics.

The nicknames are frequently a source of good natured fun and fellowship. But whether a Rotarian is addressed by a given first name or a nickname, the spirit of personal friendship is the initial step that opens doors to all other opportunities for service."

By PRIP 1992/93 Cliff Dochterman

From "The ABC's of Rotary

Panorama Bluff Caves. On the morning that Ralph was shot, the getaway car with several people in it went down River Blvd & Panorama near the cemetery and crashed / flipped out the passengers at the gas station. The gun they used also flipped out of the car and Richard and his brother admired the gun and kept repeating, "Wow look at that gun!" They lived in a Ralph Smith built home in College Heights when they weren't camping out & attended River Blvd School— before it became Noble and before PDG Palmer was principle. Ralph survived the shooting and Richard survived Myra Noble as he was a frequent visitor to her office. On a BERC work day we picked up a small seedling under an ash tree and it has now grown up to be a nice tree in our yard. It is called the River Blvd Ash Tree. Just thought you all ought to know! Now does your day feel complete? R.K.S.

This week in business:



Terry Maxwell got up real early to make breakfast and Jean Watanabe, PP Kelly Giblin and Jerry Elkind offer him their appreciation for a job well done!



Look who showed up? Yep— Steve Richardson. He gave a report on the 20th Ethics & Leadership Conference with 135 students in attendance from the school districts all over Kern County. Only the South Club didn't participate this year.



The thank you gift to Gary & Evie for hosting the breakfast for so many years at their home.



Sad Note— PP Rich Harger has resigned from BERC to travel more with Gail. Have Fun Rich, we'll miss you!

- Bill Gresco showed up and said the Invocation, Alejandro Haiek showed up for the flag salute, No music men so Madame President was forced to ask Quon Louey to select a song which he did in his "Twangy Asian Accent"— "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Dan Giordano didn't show up to introduce the Visiting Rotarians so Herself introduced Pauline Larwood. Guests were in assisted by Tom Burch, PP as Mr. Past Prez Bass introduced his Mrs. Prez Elect brought along her Richard and then of course no Gin Fizz would be possible without Bud Leedy. Andrew Ozanich was singled out for having returned and now attended 3 straight meetings. (We were missing him.) Steve Richardson got the "hi stranger, wish I had a coat to give him."
- No Birthdays, Spouse's Birthdays, nor Anniversaries. Only Club Anniversary is Christy Swatzell with 2 years on May 27th.
- There was an attempt to have those with reading assignments give BERCers the info, however, Terry Maxwell, Michele Brown and Barbara Tarpley weren't prepared. Terry got a fine for \$50.00 as his excuse "When did I get the assignment, " touched off the fine machine— Madame Randall.
- Ladies were given beautiful red roses and wished a Happy Mother's Day.
- No 50-50 drawing today— no money either!
- Michele Brown was thanked for all her hard work in making off site events happen!

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: 05/17/13

Greeters: Elkind & Fanucchi

Invocation: Loader

Flag Salute: Tarpley

Visiting Rotarians: Denny

Reception Desk: Gill & Giblin

Find a Replacement or pay a fine!



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WE'LL BE ON THE WEB SOON

***“ Laughter is the shortest
distance between two
people.”***

Victor Borge