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President John Sherry opened the meeting sporting a well tanned head from being hatless on the beach in San Diego for his son's wedding. John corrected the record of the chartering of the Lafayette Rotary as <u>Berkeley</u>, as well as Walnut Creek, was a sponsor. This cost Bill Eames \$5.

Guests: Erik Behr, principal oboist, Rochester Symphony; Kyle Athayde, attending Julliard in

New York City; Paul Laden, a videographer.

Mo Levich announced that the Rossmoor Big Band arranger has a new arrangement of 12 Gershwin tunes that will premiere at the Concert at the Res and be dedicated to Lafayette Rotary. Mo said there are plenty of seats for those who don't dance to attend the May 1 Big Band Dance at the Rheem Theater.

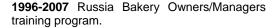
Troy Feddersen reported that the Bentley Interact E-waste event was successful and they raised \$1,000.

Bob Aguilar said there are sufficient numbers of folks going on the Wine Tour and there is room for 2 or 3 more.

Geoff Zimmerman announced that the *Odd Couple* Show is tonight. The theatre sustained sprinkler damage last week.

**SPEAKER:** Bob Shusta was the speaker and presented a history of past Outreach projects plus the on-going Arizona Project for which Lafayette Rotary donated \$1,500 to support. Past outreach projects were:

**1992** A \$15k deep well water system for Mulege, Mexico. Orinda & Mulege Rotary Clubs also participated.



**1998** Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg, Russia Chartered/Bob Shusta

**2000** Ray Bland visited Ghana, Africa to provide polio inoculations.

**2000-2004** Fire truck for Valle de Guadalupe, Mexico in conjunction with Rotary Club of Ensenada.

Bob said outreach opportunities are here in USA so no need to go to Mexico, Africa or Russia to participate. He showed a project initiated by the Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church, The Native American Outreach Ministries Inc. (NAMOI).

**1993** Linda Russell from Kentucky started a foster home on Navajo Nation Reservation that became NAOMI.

**1995** Foster home established near Joseph City near Winslow 70 miles east of Flagstaff between interstate 40 and major railroad line for abused and neglected Navajo, Apache and Hopi children from infant to 18.

**1996** Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church and NAOMI cooperate in Remodels Buildings:/ Ministry Center – 5,000 sq ft /Staff home – 2900 sq ft and Black Rock Church.

**2009** WCPC NAOMI and Black Rock Church home remodel takes place June 20 to 27 and anyone may participate. Cost is \$125/person for food the whole week.

A Fundraiser is being held on April 19 at WCPC. Perhaps a good way for the wine-O's to recover.











Courtesy of the Great Australian Bike Ride

Riders and support crew for the first stage of the Great Australian Bike Ride take a group photo in Tasmania.

## **ROTARIANS BIKE AROUND AUSTRALIA**

Donna Polydoros, Rotary Int'l News - 9 Apr 09

Australian Rotarians have embarked on the longest organized bike ride in their nation's history: a seven-month, 18,000kilometer (11,200-mile) journey to raise awareness of Rotary, Australian Rotary Health, and the need to fund mental illness research.

Great Australian Bike Ride is The sponsored by Australian Rotary Health, an RI Board-approved, multidistrict project that raises money for and provides grants to medical and mental health research projects.

"Rotarians welcome any novel opportunity to get involved and to help the community," says Dick White, chair of the event.

Riders took off from Melbourne on 21 March, then took a boat to their first stop, Hobart, Tasmania, looping around the island before returning to the mainland. Over the next seven months, riders will circle the country counterclockwise, stopping in the capital cities of each of Australia's states and territories before ending in Melbourne on 10 October.

Over 100 participants, many of them Rotarians, plan to ride one or more of the nine stages of the course. Five of the riders expect to complete the entire route.

Rotarians helped plan the event by surveying portions of the course and volunteering to find housing for the riders, supply meals, and host fundraisers.

"We hope to have major fundraising events in the capital cities, and large attendances at these would ensure their success," says White.

Event officials welcome additional riders for the remaining stages of the journey and invite Australian Rotary clubs to organize community rides to coincide with the event. Clubs are also encouraged to hold fundraisers to support mental health research.



#### THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## **OFFICERS & DIRECTORS**

Dong Kurn Lee Jim Campbell	
John Sherry	President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Club Service
Mike Kearney	,
Terry Camp	Vocational Service Past President Sergeant of Arms

## **GIVE HOPE - GIVE A HAND**



The Rotary Club of Lafayette donates an LN-4 Prosthetic Hand in of our 04/04 1:64 name speakers each week. The LN-4 Prosthetic Hand transforms lives and empowers those who have lost hands and

limbs due to land mines, birth defects, and other catastrophes.

## MAKE UP MEETINGS

See 'Where Clubs Meet' for meeting times and locations of nearby clubs:

www.rotary5160.org/clubs/meetings.php



#### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

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04/16	Planning and Climbing Mt Kilamanjaro
04/23	John Rossell III, Starting a new bank in these economic times
04/30	Jenni Beeman, Junior Achievement
05/07	TBD
05/14	Rosemary Cameron, East Bay Regional Park District
05/21	Thomas Peterson, Owner, Rheem Theatre

### **LOCAL & DISTRICT EVENTS**

04/18

	the West
04/18	Cycle for Sight & Rotary Ride for Veterans
04/25	Rotarians at Work Day, Lafayette Community Center
04/26	RI Conflict Resolution workshop, UC Berkeley
05/16	Concert at the Res
05/19	Adopt-A-Poll, special election
10/01-04	Dist. Conference, Lake Tahoe
11/07	Rotary Day at the Races, Golden Gate Fields

Wine Tour, 10:30am, Bank of

# **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

06/21-24 2009 RI Convention, Birmingham, England

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

04/01	Lisa Cohen
04/01	Ron Wake
04/07	Daniel Barnes
04/10	Warren Rupf
04/12	Sandi Mitchell
04/13	Mike Kearney
04/16	Tom Courtright
04/17	Dale Turner
04/18	Debbie Cooper
04/18	Larry Duson
04/26	Geoff Zimmermar

# ANNIVERSARIES

04/19 Geoff Zimmerman

## **GREETERS**

04/16	Bob Shusta
04/23	Anna Stevenson
04/30	Ed Stokes
05/07	Barry Toomaiian

