

**ROTARY CLUB OF BIG BEAR LAKE**  
**MEETING April 14, 2005 BEST WESTERN CHATEAU**

It was 7:30 and all was well and **prez Rob Shepherd** rang the Rotary bell signaling the start of yet another meeting of the Big Bear Rotary Club. **Charlie Brewster** of Nottinghams fame gave the invocation and **John Grandi** from stage and bar room fame led the pledge. **Cristianne** once again shucked her infamous pink jacket to lead us in song. She jumped Glen the piano-man in "My Country Tis OF Thee" then our old standby, R-O-T! **Dave Leach** didn't want to do Schmile. He did, however, get into the introductions with gusto! We had Tim and Hunter from Interact and four of our exchange students. **Dave** made mention of **Simeon Prophet**, newly crowned Man About Town! Way to go, dude! **Dave** introduced Mike and Tanya Perry and **Janet Stevens-Moore** introduced Jerry from the Kite Shop.

Tim and Hunter came up to do the High School report. Both were appreciative of the opportunity to attend RYLA April 1,2 & 3. A big Thank You goes to **Alan Clark** for spear-heading that event and to all those other Rotarians that once again made RYLA a huge success! Tim & Hunter invited us to the Senior, Sr. Prom even though we are still pretending we are not old enough!

Your humble scribe /Community Service Director was called upon to present some of your hard earned money to a couple worthy causes. We presented \$500.00 to Meals On Wheels, sponsored by **John Eminger** and received by **Bob Puckett**, and \$1,000.00 went to Rotaplast sponsored by moi! I have always felt strongly about Rotoplast but their program presentations can be heartwrenching. We gave them the money on condition they wouldn't do a program!

Pres-elect **Ron Peavy** reminded us of the upcoming District Assembly at Crafton Hills College Saturday, April 23rd. We'll meet at the Sizzler to car pool down. Incoming Board Members and new members really should attend. Contact **Ron** for details.

**Paul Simon** announced a new members meeting next week at 6:30 PM upstairs. **Prez Rob** announced a Fireside for five incoming members to be held at **Rich Lambert's** house Tuesday 4/19, 7 PM. Incoming members and sponsors will be there, Board members are encouraged to be there and all are invited.

Copies of the current and also proposed revised By-Laws will be distributed for your review. Please look them over for your comments before they are brought to a vote in a couple weeks.

The Raffle was held and Sabina, exchange student from Germany, was the lucky ticket holder. She was able to come up with the 4th question of the Four-way Test to win \$58.00.

SnowBoy, Mrs. Kun's little boy **Dickie**, AKA *The Fine Guy*, graced us with his presence after several weeks gone missing. He did do make-ups though! First was the obligatory missing pins and badges. Next was the "Red Badges" for taking so long to get "Blue Badges" @ 5 bucks each to set the tone -*mmmmm*! **Simeon Prophet**, you made a lot of money for the swimming pool and won yourself the coveted title of Man About Town for 2005 but you didn't make any money for us! Consider this a dry run - no fine tonight but...! **Shed Conklin**, a relative in the paper? **Shed**: I read the paper from cover-to-cover and I didn't see anything. Some of us can read, you know!" This was a group picture for those of us that can't read - \$5.00! **Vi Colunga**. **Vi**: "Yeeess, *fine Dick*?" That'll be \$5 just for that! You failed to know the names of the guests at your table so you could introduce them - another \$5.00! **Darrell Mulvihill**. **Darrell**: "Yes, **Mr. Kun**?" (*oooooooo's from the assemblage*)! I have here a letter from the city about the upcoming Cinco De Mayo event. As mayor, can you tell where the event will be held? **Darrell**: "It doesn't say? I think you should ask the city manager since he makes more than me. Did we get the date right?" No it doesn't say. Why don't we make it \$20 and you and Michael decide how to split it up as usual. **Ron Peavy**. **Ron**: "Yes, honorable fine guy?" Did you take your wife somewhere special for your 30th wedding anniversary? **Darrell**: "Yeah, he took her to the Motel 6." **Ron**: Well, it was one of their best suites with two queen size beds and it was off the hill in Barstow. It was 1st class!" Well lets say \$15. How many years again? **Ron**: "30!" Well then, let's go with \$30! Ok, stay with 15! **Cristianne**, Just like **Bartley** and the boots and **Walter** and the ties - it's your pink jacket thing! Did you ask anyone before you bought that thing? **Cristianne**: "Well, yes, maybe **Paul Simon** and some others." **Paul**, what do you know about this? **Paul**: "I know nothing! I don't recall! Well, maybe, no, I don't think so! Several years ago I wanted the pink but it made me look short so I ordered everyone the khaki so we wouldn't have to wash them as often!" Ok, **Paul**,

\$10 and **Cristianne** \$10. **Cristianne**: "Can I wear it outside of here?" If you must, but not here! **Jerry Gruber**, water-boy, Did you get a new car? **Jerry**: "It's not new any more. I've already made three payments on it." That'll be 10 bucks. Don't sit down, there's also the trip to Washington DC to get money. Did you get any? **Jerry**: "No!" I'm leaning toward another 10! **Tony Tamberchi**, I understand you attended the Chamber of Commerce Mixer Tuesday? Did anything of note happen? **Tony**: "Yeah, I tripped over a low wall and fell on my head." And, who owns this wall? **Tony**: "My attorney is looking into that!" Well, unless you get a big settlement, let's say \$10 each for the tripee and the tripor - 20 bucks! **Rob Shepherd**, you said you have been in violation of the By-Laws and that's why you're changing them? **Rob**: "No, I'm changing them so **Ron** won't be in violation next year. Ask **Bob Davies**. **Bob**: "Yes, it's necessary from time-to-time." Also, is there anything you want to share with us about your driver's license submitted to the School District to be able to drive the kids to career day next Tuesday? **Capt. Bobby Phillips**: "Should I take notes?" **Rob**: "It seems some of **Bobby's** little men don't like me much even though they were only doing their job." Maybe **Bobby** can take my place driving the kids?" I don't know about that but let's say \$20.00 for everything! **Walter Con**, you made some kind of investment with **John Eminger**? **Walter**: **John's** the culprit. He took his wife to Vegas and I just asked him to put \$20.00 on a hard eight - that's dice! It hit for 200 and I gave him 100, so I got 80 plus my original investment." Good, that'll be 20 bucks! Snow-boy, the *fine Dick*, had some housekeeping on himself - Let's see, **Dick** won the Rotary Golf Tournament - a dollar, he sold his lake front house - another dollar, he had his 20th wedding anniversary and stayed home (the 30th is when you go for the Motel 6) - that's another dollar and of course his wife got a new car and he got her hand-me-down benefiting him and there was another inch of snow so that too is another buck - all together...ching, ching, ching ... ahhh make it 100 bucks! That's it folks!

#### **Program:**

**Darrell Mulvihill** came to the podium to introduce City Manager, Michael Perry, guest speaker. Michael thought rather than give us a bunch of statistics on the City he would give us a trivia quiz. It was quite entertaining and a very enjoyable presentation. We all learned a little bit more about our fair city and some of our founding fathers, some of whom were and are Rotarians.

Last week, while I was at the Airport Board Meeting, we had two very special presentations for our program. They were craft talks by two new members **Councilman Bill Jahn** and **Dr. John Sharp**.

**Bill** kept his rather short and sweet so we'll probably have to get him back for chapter two. **Bill** was born and raised in Downey and served in the U.S. Navy SeaBees before building a career in construction in Chino and Big Bear. One interesting business he had was buying up obsolete school busses in Florida and transporting them to Nicaragua. He moved full time to Big Bear in 1991 with his wife Mary Jo and has had the opportunity to serve on the Planning Commission until being elected to the City Council last November. **Bill** is honored to be asked to join the Rotary Club.

**Dr. John** got a little more in depth. **John** was born in Kentucky the son of a tobacco farmer. He was teased that it was tobacco money that put him through medical school. **John's** mother was heavily involved in race horses and as a youth he got involved on the farm in veterinary work. That led to his interest in medicine. He attended the University of Kentucky for both his undergraduate studies and med school. He went on to Colorado for his general surgery residency and two years of practice then returned to Kentucky where he soon found he missed the mountains. **John** has a sister in Solano Beach CA that trains race horses and gave him a California connection. He met his "feisty Brazilian wife" here in California. He likes the four seasons in Big Bear and believes it is a wonderful place for him to practice medicine. He just completed his 10 year surgery recertification. **John** too, is pleased to be a part of the Rotary Club.

#### **Upcoming meetings:**

*April 21, 2005 - 6:30 New Members Meeting,  
Regular Meeting.*

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*April 23, 2005 - District Assembly - Crafton Hills College.*

*April 28, 2005 - 5:30 Board Meeting, Regular Meeting*

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*May 5, 2005 - Spouses Night, Regular Meeting*

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*May 12, 2005 - Regular Meeting*

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*May 19, 2005 - 5:30 Board Meeting, Regular Meeting*

*May 28, 2005 - Saturday Yard Sale - Big Bear City Park*