

ROTARY CLUB OF BIG BEAR LAKE
MEETING October 6, 2005 Best Western Chateau

President Ron Peavy, substituting for **P-E Anne Zimmerman**, opened the meeting just a few minutes early suggesting he was not derelict in his duties and had in fact done a make-up at the ER with **Dr. B., Dr. Rich Lambert** and **Vi Colunga** while doing a follow-up on the paramedic program the week before. We appreciate the research and follow-up report, **Ron**. **Jean Brownie** gave the Invocation ...lead us through hardship...give us guidance..Amen! **Dr. Lambert** led us in the pledge. The search went out for **maestro Jerome** but all we could turn up was a **dandy Grandi**. "Shine On Harvest Moon" - twice, no less? Then a little R-O-T with a little coaxing! Big hand for Glen-the-pianoman! **Dave Leach** came up to present a banner from the Cancun Rotary Club that he and **Renee Wagner** attended the last two weeks and to do the intros. The Cancun thing was cut short by **prez Ron** after we were learning far more than we needed to know! Guests included exchange students, Thiesa from Brazil, Jo Jo from (East) Germany and Carol from China. As if it were possible - **Capt. Bobby Phillips** introduced his replacement, Capt. Lee Watkins. Lee will be assuming command of the Big Bear Sheriff's station October 17th . We also had Interactors Juliana Baumgartner and Steve. **Skip Suhay** brought Jeff Martin our guest speaker.

Anne Zimmerman announced her no budget Halloween Party to be held October 27th. Come in costume - you know the drill from last week! **Kris Parde** announced a Foundation seminar next Sat at Crafton Hills. She also announced the Foundation Gala November 5th. She needs a raffle item.

Interact phone book deliveries have been postponed a week to October 22nd. **Mike Chilcoat** had our three exchange students come up and tell a little of their last weekend. All the kids had a great time throwing **John Stock** in the pool, fully dressed! **Mike** put in a plug for Jo Jo from Germany - he'd like to go on the end-of-the-year train trip across the US and is willing to do odd jobs to earn the money. Give Jo Jo a call at 584-7114.

Jean Brownie thanked **John Grandi** and **Ron Peavy** for putting together the Katrina fund-raiser and gave each a bottle of Jack Daniels! She also presented **Ron** a check for \$300.00 from the Earlyact kids of Big Bear Elementary! - that's a lot of recycling!

The Katrina fund-raiser has netted some \$40,000.00 - far in excess of the \$25,000.00 goal. Thank you **Ron** and **John** and Big Bear! **International Director, Rick Herrick** will be making a donation of fire apparatus to Mexico soon. **Ron** mentioned the complaints about politics at Rotary - *See my editorial!*

Old stuff - still important: Oom Pa Pa - we still have available, opportunities to work as costume people at Oktobefest. Workers are paid \$13.00 per hour donation to the Rotary Club. We recognize that some of you will be over paid but give it a shot anyway! See **Ron**.

Rob Shepherd passed on! "The nominating committee includes **Gary Antes, Rich Lambert, Dick Kun, Anne Zimmerman and Rob Shepherd**. See these people for your nominations for next year's board".

Aaaannnnnd - Heer's **Master Dick!** - **The Phine guy!** Pins and badges, caps and gowns - whatever? Five bucks a piece! **Simeon** refused to stand, called the five and was raised five. **Penardi** and **Applebury** were given kudos for their part on the Katrina fund-raiser - So phine - No phine! **Chuck Rounds**, we have here a picture of you in a plane with a young girl's arms around you. Do you want to tell us about it? **Chuck**: "Just a young sweetie I met on the plane - my wife knows about it." OK, if that's all we're going to get - \$10 bucks! **Roy Brownie**, new haircut? Are you trying to look younger? What's this about giving away gas? **Roy**: Well, this guy said he needed help and could he borrow a gallon of gas? I was on the phone so I told him help himself - he did - ten gallons and two gas cans!" **Larbi, Dally and Leach!** What do they have in common? - just returned from vacation! **Larbi** got it for ten plus another five for going to france! **Dally** for going to Corona (actually, Germany and others) without a single make-up in the whole three weeks - 10 bucks. **Leach** and **Wagner** went to Cancun and did two make-up but we didn't want to hear about it again - another ten! **Vi Colinga**, you were in the Griz? **Vi**: "It's **Colunga** and it's news to me!" We'll let you off with a little test. Which way is West? **Vi**: "It depends where you stand." OooKay - ten bucks! Keep standing. **Rick Baumgartner, Rich Lambert and Ron Peavy**. Did any of you have anything to do with the president missing the last meeting? **Vi**: "He got excellent care at the hospital! It was a drug problem!" **Dr. B.**: **Ron**, do I have

permission to discuss your case?" **Ron**: "Yes!" **Dr. B.**: "I diagnosed him with a 3rd degree social disease for which **Dr. Lambert** gave him the wrong medicine." **Dr. Lambert**: "Well, I thought the prescription said you were treating him for a tooth ache!" **Dr. B.**: "It was over pretty fast but we just hung out in **Vi's** ER to make **Ron** squirm so we wouldn't have to come back to the meeting!" **Ron**: "I'll gladly pay all of their fines!" **Scotty**: "Yer shoulda called me, I have a plumber's snake what'll cure most anythin'!" **Scotty and Dokter, Garry!** **Scotty**: "Yes yer fine **Dick?**" There we go! **Garry**, what's this about **Scotty** mishandling a Santa check? **Garry**: "Yeah, **Scotty** gave me a couple checks from the 2004 Santa program and the Old miners parade totaling \$150.00. **Scotty**: Well yer see, I weres gittin' out my snake to help the **Doc** when all la da sudden it musta been an epiphany fer once it occurred that shoot happens, I come up with these here checks, so being an honest plumber I couldn't help my poor self!" Ok, 20 bucks! **Garry**, you're going to have to get it for 10 bucks for the problems getting finger printed to open your new Elevations Day Spa. It might be a good idea to keep **Scotty** out for a while! **Bobby Phillips**, you're leaving? **Bobby**: "Yeah, I've been too soft on you guys but Capt. Watkins will soon fix that! Gonna miss you **Bobby**. Good luck on your new assignment - 20 bucks!"

Kris Parde won the raffle and donated her winnings to Jo Jo toward his cross country trip. Thanks **Kris!** **Dr. B's** daughter Juliana and first year Interactor Steve, did the school reports.

Skip Suhay introduced Jeff Martin, Sales Manager for Pyro Spectaculars. Jeff's 5th generation company puts on our 4th of July spectacular fireworks extravaganza. Concurrent with our show they do another 520 shows the same evening! We helped their company to grow to one of the largest in the world. **Skip Suhay's** insistence has kept our show up there with the Olympics, Superbowl games and other spectacular events. Jeff showed us a little how special displays are made and explained how you can tell the country of origin by the type of light display. Shells are brought in from many countries to make a single spectacular event. Jeff thanked us for being their customer and looks forward to many more years working together.

President Ron thanked Jeff and presented him with a souvenir Rotary book mark. Meeting adjourned.

EDITORIAL -

It has been brought to the attention of the president and in turn to the Bulletin editor (moi) that we are not a political organization and therefore should not express or promote our political views at Rotary. I say, we are supposed to be leaders in the community. We have approximately 20% of the club membership holding elected or appointed political offices. Others are previous office holders and some will be future office holders. Like it or not, we are politically involved. In my previous club and the two others in Fullerton, CA there were similar involvements, including at least one State Senator, an Assemblyman and occasionally a Congressman. While I agree Rotary should never indorse candidates, on the other hand, individual Rotary members should not be discouraged from reasonable displays of political support. As far as the Bulletin goes, I try not to cross the line, but occasionally fail. If offended, you are welcome to take over as editor at any time! The complaint department is on my right wing at 9,500 ft, next to the smoking section!

- Bob McNutt

Upcoming meetings:

- October 13, 2005 - Yom Kippur. Board Meeting
Regular meeting. Program - Video game
design - Jay Obernolte, FarSight.*
- October 20, 2005 - Regular Meeting
Program -*
- October 27, 2005 - Spouses Night. Brief Meeting.
Halloween party*
- November 3, 2005 - Regular Meeting
Program - To Be Announced*
- November 8, 2005 - ELECTION DAY - PLEASE VOTE!*
- November 10, 2005 - 5:30 Board Meeting. Regular Meeting.
Program - Tentative FBI*
- November 17, 2005 - Spouses Night. Regular Meeting
Program - WWII Normandy Invasion Medal
Of Honor holder Walt Ehlers.*
- November 24, 2005 - DARK! Happy Thanksgiving!*

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Respectfully submitted: **Bob McNutt**, Scribe, with the assistance of **Rich Lambert**.