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THE ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHWEST EUREKA

President Greg Dale rang the bell to call us to order for the 21st meeting of our 38th year. After several odd starts, we said the pledge and we were led in the invocation. Our Greeter, Matt Nilsen, introduced three visiting Rotarians: Father Mike Cloney (now of Ukiah), Kurt Barthel, and Dan Sweet (Songmi's husband). Sam Kennedy introduced his guest, Danielle Sancho. Cheryl Brown sat in for her traveling husband Dan. Haider introduced his guest, our speaker for today, Larry Buwalda.



Larry Goldberg told us about the beginning of Hannukah, the Festival of Lights. He lit the candles of the menorah, and Keith Korbin, Eddie Morgan and Jeff Smoller joined him in a blessing. It is truly a blessing that we are all free to worship as we choose.



President Greg said that we are sending \$3 to the Rose Parade to put roses on a car. Then he reminded us that we are halfway through

his year. RI President Bill Boyd is having dinner in Santa Clara on January 3rd, if any member would like to join him.

Howard Julien announced that Jay is the chair of the nominating committee. Elections will be held the second meeting in January (since we are dark December 22nd and December 29th). That's January 12th, for the calendar-impaired. The 2007-2008 slate is:

Mary Crumley, President

John Ennis, Vice President

Pat Dillman, President Elect

Mark McGowan, Treasurer

Howard Julien, Secretary

Bob Burchit, Mary Kay Hartman, Keith Korbin, Eddie Morgan, Mary Lou Riley and John Vandermolen have all agreed to serve at Directors (vote for three).

Chuck Smith reported that Tamara, our 1998-1999 exchange student from Brazil, is studying to be an attorney. She is one of only two people from her city selected to study for federal attorney. Congratulations, Tamara!

John Ennis (you gotta see the shirt he has on) reminded us that we can purchase our recent club photo, taken by Brandi Easter on a fine sunny day, for only \$16.00. Sign up now!

Cindy Denbo took over the podium to invite all to attend Murder at the Elks Club-a-Go-Go on Saturday, February 10th, (circa 1965) at 7 P.M. Cindy has been working with Nyle, Dick and Beth Giraud, Liz Ennis, Mary Lou Riley, Sid Noyes, Les Merrill and Patti Needham to put together another BOSS, FAB, BITCHIN' night of go-go boots, too much eyeliner, and Steve Brodhag in that really short skirt doing the Watusi. Generous sponsors SHN, Living Styles, KIEM, and many others are helping to make this murder possible. (Cindy is glad to see that Captain



Chuck has recovered from last year's evildoing.) We will have our classic quiz, with prizes, at a later time. Someone will explain the terms "boss" and "fab" to our president, who was "born, too late, for you to (sing it with me)..."

Nyle related stories of his grandson driving a fast car all over the country, crashing one (which Nyle bought). Nyle agreed to tap out and contribute \$100 to his PHF. Nyle was asked to join our Prez and



Past Prez Haider to receive a large check from the Tour of Trinidad. The proceeds from this year, \$5,000.00, plus the proceeds from last year, \$2,800.00, will enable Project Share Life to continue to make some miracles. Matching donors of bone marrow to recipients is getting easier, thanks to a new cheek swab instead of the traditional blood test.

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	John Vance

A belated Sunshine Report : Jay Sooter was having some problems (Lewis says he still is), but is better now. According to our President, we won't be meeting for next time, this school year (who was having problems?).

Greg produced a more recent picture, and asked Melinda Ciarabellini to explain. Melinda's stepson is a bodybuilder. He lives in Tacoma, Washington. The picture was taken in Chicago, where he took First Place at the competition. He has also been a guest poser in President Greg's home state of Alaska. Melinda went to Fairbanks and the North Pole in September; it was not snowing yet. She didn't see the Northern Lights, but she did see the pipeline. Melinda was ill last week from the cruise ship virus, in the Caribbean. She is better this week, now that she is home again. Melinda tapped out for all of the above.

Roger Smith was next up. Roger is a Jaguar fan. He says it's a two seater economy car. He parted with \$50.00.

Ed Nilsen won \$10 cash for the first drawing. Father Mike Cloney won \$50.00 toward his Paul Harris.

Larry Buwalda was introduced (second time today). Larry took us on his kayak tour three hundred miles north of Vancouver Island. For nine days in mid-September, Larry and four friends paddled around a group of islands, enjoying extremely clear water and the company of orcas, dolphins and porpoises. He said they paddled close to the animals, even on shore, because they could be so quiet in a kayak. They stayed overnight in a provincial park called "God's Pocket" for the clarity of the water. They also stayed at the Scarlett Point

Lightstation, where they saw pods of humpback whales. Larry recommended Explore North Coast and the Humboldt Kayaking Club to anyone who would like to join in. By paddling together, the members learn from other kayakers, an enjoyable way to learn and to network.



This week's bulletin brought
to you by Pat Dillman

Sunshine Reports 2006-07

Don't be shy about sharing news about yourself or other members. Contact Jerry Colivas (725-5906) or Ed Nilsen (442-9156) with your weekly input!

Next Week's Program:

To Be Announced...