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THE ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHWEST EUREKA

Acting President John Ennis started the meeting. The pledge of allegiance was led by Chuck Smith and the invocation, by Deb Giraud – who recited the original version of the Serenity Prayer. Our Greeter, Haider Ajina, introduced our one and only visiting Rotarian – Father Michael Cloney. And, there were no guests.

The Sunshine Report was given by Jerry Colivas. There will be a memorial service for Don Michael and John Martucci is feeling better after his angioplasty.

Haider Ajina reminded us about Mexico Night – which will commence on Saturday, April 21st, at The Elks, at 7PM. We will be eating Mexican food and learning about the Club's involvement in projects in Mexico. Dean Charlton will present and there will be Latin dancing (complete with instruction) for our entertainment.



Cindy Denbo-a-go-go acknowledged Club Members for their contributions and gave us the second (or third) segment of our pre-murder Groovy '65 Quiz. Howard Julien was awarded a bottle of raspberry sparkle-tini for

making the album covers. Also noted were Roger Smith for making signs, Mike Dominick for printing posters, Les Merrill for providing linen, Liz Ennis and her team for setting-up and Steve Brodhag and his team for "taking the sh-t down".

And so the "Groovy-get-stoked-60's quiz" commenced, ever reminding us that: *anchorman, compact car, Astroturf, status report, head-hunter, glitch, area code and security blanket* were all terms originating in this great decade. Be assured that: *spandex, gobble-de-gook, slum lord, exit poll, bikini, hidden agenda, gridlock, rust belt, palimony, paper trail, A-bomb, hottie, and eye candy* were not.

Beth Giraud informed us that we had only 20-or-so tickets left for the "Murder". So, get your now!

Steve Brodhag announced that: "we have crabs" for the crab-feed, Thursday, February 22nd.

Bob Burchit announced that this year's Casino Royale theme is *Viva Las Vegas*. Proceeds will benefit two of our favorite causes – Project Share Life and Evergreen Lodge. The date is set for April 28th at the Adorni.

Blue Badges were strewn for Scott Pesch, Marie Liscom, and Steve Hagenbaugh. Congratulations and welcome to active membership!

Recognitions:

Steve Brodhag – for his 8th wedding anniversary (1/31) and his 56th birthday (on 2/1). He and Rina



celebrated by going to Cabo San Lucas, where Steve (and possibly Rina) drank lots of cheap beer. \$30, please.

Haider – for his 45th birthday (1/4) and a New Year's ski trip to Mt. Shasta. He went to Luzmilla's for his birthday dinner and paid \$60 for the rest.



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Reminder!!!

Casino Royale

Viva Las Vegas!

April 28th

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Jay Sooter – for his 67th (2/7) where he celebrated with a 5-or-6 course meal at Carter’s Restaurant 301, and his 30-something anniversary which prompted a trip to Barcelona, Spain. He’s not certain how many years it’s been. He doesn’t count. Gauges how many years by what car he was driving back then. Somehow, Margaret found it within her heart to make a lemon-lime pie for him.

John Moore – for his 29th anniversary (1/23). They postponed the celebration but it still cost \$40.

An acting-presidential reminder that February 14th is Valentine’s Day! Melinda Ciarabellini won \$10 drawing and John Koopmans \$50 PHF contribution.

Our program was presented by the CEO of St. Joseph Hospital – Joe Mark. The information was comprehensive and clearly communicated. Health care in Humboldt County is facing several major challenges: bad debt, geographic isolation, seismic retrofit/new construction costs, and others. He has plans to raise money to match fund dollars allocated by St. Joseph Health System in SoCal to help build a free-standing cancer treatment facility. He wants create incentives for young physicians/specialists to move to this area

possibly by subcontracting their billing and insurance collection. He sees ways to utilize the existing properties for construction of a new in-patient facility. He was very optimistic about the recent settlement with nurse’s salaries and the re-acquisition of Humboldt Radiology. Thank you, Joe. We look forward to an update next year.



Special Note: Jay Sooter’s application to the Humboldt Area Foundation received \$2000 grant money toward bleachers for our Highland Park project. Money came from the Schulze-Kroneberg Memorial Fund.

This week’s bulletin brought to you by Keith Korbin

Next Week’s Program:

Dr. Kim Bauriedel

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!