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## THE ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHWEST EUREKA

Greg Dale called the meeting of the "best Rotary club in the world" to order and mentioned that he had only two more meetings to go. With that, Lew Quinby took the opportunity to snore loudly into the microphone. John Goff led us in the pledge and the invocation was given by Carol Hill.



Visiting Rotarians were Winslow Cervantes from Grants Pass, Jim Hunt from Fortuna and Tom Eastman from Ferndale. Chuck Smith introduced his guest Greg Hufford, Patti Needham introduced Tatiana's mother, sister and brother who were in town for her Eureka High graduation, and John Goff introduced his wife Louise. Jane Burchit was also in attendance.

Jerry Colivas sent a card around for Nyle Henderson who is recovering from surgery and is said to be doing fine. Just as members were discussing the status of John Koopmans, he appeared (to everyone's relief) looking healthy and hungry! Larry Goldberg reported that his dad is now home from the hospital and doing well following heart surgery.

Keith Korbin announced there were sign up sheets on each table for the upcoming Firesides. Members should try to attend one of four meetings for the purpose of assisting Mary Crumley in planning the club's direction during her year as our President.

Chuck Smith re-introduced his guest Greg Hufford, an Economic Fuel winner for a business proposal to provide guided

horseback tours of Redwood National Park. Greg also works with Roland Johnson. If you will remember, our club decided to grant an entrepreneur from the competition a free year-long membership. Congratulations and welcome Greg!

Greg Stevens, a new member and publisher for the *Times Standard* was presented with the Southwest Eureka Rotary pin by our President, who pointed out that it bears the image of Chuck Smith.

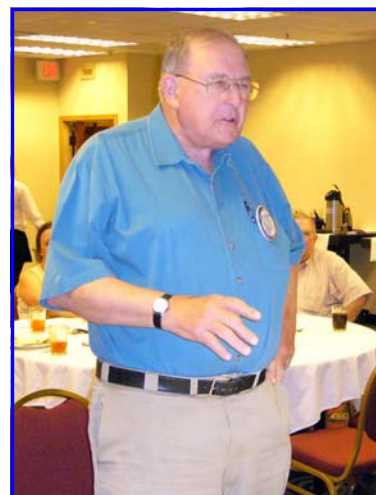
Jane Burchit's phone started ringing and it cost Bob \$10.

President Greg was sporting his championship bocce hat from the Rotary BBQ held at the Giraud's the previous weekend. Even though Greg's son Cameron and regular meeting attendee Dawnelle carried him, he was on the winning team! We heard the story (again) about what happened to the oysters we were supposed to eat at the BBQ. Greg conveyed thanks to Dick and Beth for a wonderful Sunday BBQ and bocce tournament!

Chuck Smith announced that he just returned from an 8,000 mile road trip in his little red *Fit* car. His destination was Charleston, S.C. via many other places. He remembered Jerry Colivas complaining about how much spam he ate during WWII and while on a visit to the Spam Museum in Austin, Minnesota, Chuck purchased a book on its history which he presented to Jerry.



Greg greeted Judge John Morrison who said he was going to eat the "other guys" oysters at the Oyster Festival this year because on one occasion he ate 27 of Greg's oysters and it did him no good! He asked Greg for a list of booths he should avoid. Greg reminded him of the saying "eat fish live longer, eat oysters love longer". John was happy to report that in the era of "Pushy Broads" (his words) in Rotary he was excited about and approved of our new member Denise Jones because of her outstanding service to the schools and youth of our community. Greg presented the Judge with a "Service above Shellfish" award. According to Lew Quinby, the secret is to eat 27 oysters with a crushed little blue pill.



Sam Kennedy was congratulated for passing his test following hunter safety class, which he attended with President Greg's boys. Sam owns four planes and photos of two of them were circulated for members to view. He was also presented with a Shell Award.

Steve Hagenbaugh distributed sign up sheets for the *RELAY FOR LIFE 2007* annual "Feed the Heroes" event on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to serve on the afternoon/evening of July 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Steve to sign up.

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John Goff and his wife Louise were celebrating their 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the day of our meeting. They met at Eureka Fisheries on a blind date at age 26. To celebrate, they were traveling to Clear Lake right after the meeting to visit their kids and grandkids.

Mark Dias has returned from a ten-day trip to Reno. He had lots of mail to go through. He pulled the thank you letter received for his Casino Royale sponsorship out of his pocket. Seems it was addressed to Ron instead of Mark. Ooops! Sorry, and thank you for your support, Mark.

John Moore presented Chuck Smith with his fourth Paul Harris fellow. Chuck has two, his grandson Nicholas has one and now his grandson Matthew has one. Thank you to Chuck for his continued support of the Rotary Foundation.

Bernie Kemp has been having quite a time lately, but he has a birthday coming on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. First he had the crud for three weeks, then gout for a week and a half, and then he pulled his back. In the meantime, he lost 10 pounds and is shooting poorly. Greg gave Bernie a shell for all his troubles. Hope your birthday turns things around, Bernie.

Greg Stevens won the drawing for \$10 (donated back to the club) and Rick Roberts received \$50 toward a Paul Harris.

The topic for our program was Global Climate Change. Larry Goldberg belongs to the local Climate Action Group and took us through a PowerPoint presentation. He told us that the atmosphere is thinner than an apple peel and the thickness of the carbon blanket is ever

increasing. If temperatures on earth increase 3 degrees, the impacts will be catastrophic. Local impacts of global warming are increased wildfires and temperatures affecting crops like grapes. There will also be increased fights for our water supply.

The poor of the world in Southeast Asia and Africa stand to suffer the most. The greatest impacts at present are in Greenland and the Antarctic. Electricity and gasoline are the biggest part of our energy use. Air travel has a big impact on emissions.

Conservation, energy efficiency and alternative energies are the areas we have to look at in the next ten years to avoid hazardous changes. The good news is California already has the lowest state per capita use of energy. We all need to continue to do our part.



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### 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:  
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