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## MSG WHEEL MISSING—DEMANDS MADE BY WHEELKNAPPERS!

President Mary called our first meeting of 2008 to order from a new podium location, emphasizing that things were going to be "different". Sam Kennedy led us in the pledge, followed by the introduction of guests by greeter Marie Liscom. Jerry Colivas was supposed to give the invocation, but no one knew where he was, so John Ennis stepped in and did a fine job!

There were no visiting Rotarians; guests included prospective member Nancy Kay, the Kimura family, Greg Hufford's wife Samantha and son, regular Dawnelle and exchange student Jannick.



Troy Vizenor gave his Sunshine Report noting that Joan Smith was hospitalized and a Get Well card was being circulated, Mike Dominick was attending the funeral of his mother-in-law and Kim McReynold's infant son is still recovering from his burn injury.

Our Prez announced that her MSG Wheel is still missing and she wants it back! (Since our meeting date there has been correspondence from a group called the Brotherhood of the Wheel (BOTW) stating that they have the wheel and they are making demands for its return. Mary is concerned because the wheel has a medical condition called cog-genital defect..... But despite a GPS tracking device Mary's Futile Bureau of Investigation has not been able to locate the wheel. The BOTW has notified Mary that they were sending a piece of the wheel in the mail and have administered the oil needed to protect it until they receive her cooperation. Despite

Mary's admission that her wheel's cousin is none other than hit-wheel Russian Roulette, the BOTW are busy planning their next demand. Stay Tuned!)

Members were reminded of the upcoming R.O.A.R. meeting to be held at the Elks Lodge at 5:00 pm on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. Topics will be Evergreen Lodge and Project Share Life.

Don Hartman delivered a short and sweet craft talk, letting us know that SW is his fourth Rotary Club. He's previously been a member in Seattle, Vail and Oxnard. Don began his banking career at Bank of America and then moved on to Wells Fargo. He also started a bank in Vail. Don has been married for 29 years and has a daughter. Mary assessed the "craft talk" fine of \$20.



Haider Aijina arrived late and was questioned about Mary's wheel. No information was forthcoming His fine is assumed to be \$60 although he seemed to keep throwing cash down on the table. Eventually, Steve Brodhag and Don Bachman were implicated. (Mary could not believe Don was involved.)

A total of 85 pints were donated to-date for the President's Challenge Blood Drive. The total for our club is 28 pints and counting.

Cindy Denbo announced that there are only five weeks left until Murder in Tinseltown. Next week she will be getting us primed for the event with a trivia contest and fabulous prizes. Frankly, Lew Quinby did not give a damn!



Lew reported that his back is feeling better. The meeting got livelier with the reading of an off-color list of generic names for Viagra.

Judge Morrison attended the meeting and our President took the opportunity to fine him for recently celebrating his 48<sup>th</sup> anniversary. When Mary tried to inflate the fine the Judge complained that his wife had depreciated like an old pick up truck. Our Prez came back by asking John if he was a brand new clean runnin' machine! He paid the fine!



Other fines levied:

Larry Goldberg donated \$25 for recognition received from Senator Pat Wiggins for his creation of the home matching website set up to assist victims of the SoCal fires. Burnie Kemp tapped out following his announcement that he and his wife purchased a brand new red corvette. Sonja Stayton was recognized (and fined \$20) for celebrating 20 years in business.

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### Don't forget:

*The next R.O.A.R. meeting will be held January 14th, Elks Lodge, 5 pm*

*The host will be Nyle Henderson and the projects discussed will be Evergreen Lodge and Project Share Life.*

*This week's bulletin brought to you by Marie Liscom.*

*Thank you Liz Ennis for this week's photos.*

### UPCOMING:

*Murder in Tinseltown, Elks-Lodge—February 9th*

*Partner Day—February 15th*

*Casino Night—April 5th*

It was time for MSG and Haider would not divulge the location of the wheel. Dan Brown won the drawing for \$50 towards his PHF. Rick Roberts correctly answered the lyrics in question were from the Beatle's song "Day Tripper", his winnings were paid by, you guessed it.....Haider!

Happy Birthday Haider!



Our program for the day was delivered by Allison Kimura, last year's outbound exchange student to Argentina. The town where she stayed is called General Villagas, located five hours from Buenos Aires.

Allison attended Rotary Club meetings every week, which she enjoyed. Her host club is a new club and doesn't have much funding. Lew asked if there were any rowdies in the club, to which she replied "Not like you"! Allison attended a small private Catholic school with enrollment of about 100 students, which was a great experience because everyone was involved in activities.

Other highlights were a trip to Patagonia, meeting Tatiana's family in Catamarca and seeing beautiful waterfalls.



In closing, Allison asked that our club consider helping with supplies for a new school being constructed in Villegas.

President Mary closed the meeting with some Beatle's lyrics for a stormy and windy winter day. See you next Friday!

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