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ANOTHER LIFE SAVED THANKS TO "PROJECT SHARE LIFE"

President Mary opened the meeting with a crisp clang of the gavel, followed by a lengthy and rambling pledge to an Irishman by Kim Bauriedel. Bob Burchit delivered the invocation, and Sonja Stayton introduced 3 visiting Rotarians. Several guests were introduced, including our own Past President John Dalby. Troy Vizenor had no sunshine report, which is great news, assuming no news is good news.

Nyle Henderson gave a wonderful follow up story - about 7 years ago, they did a Project Share Life recruiting campaign in Fort Bragg, and a then 40 year old registered for the database. He was recently designated as a match, and recently donated some marrow to save the life of a 28 year old in San Francisco, thus giving the young woman a second chance at life, and one which will hopefully last considerably longer than the first go-around. Our club first committed to Project Share Life 11 years and one month ago, and this is one more life that has been saved, thanks to the registration of so many caring people over the years.



Linda Jo Alexander delivered a lively craft talk, complete with a presidential-suckup Gottschalks bag. She was raised on a Quarterhorse ranch in Oregon, and moved into radio broadcasting when she turned 18.

While she didn't seem to still be wearing her spurs from the ranch, she did fess up

to wearing a bra from Victoria's Secret from when she used to work there [NOTE TO LINDA JO - the bulletin



committee always welcomes photographs for the newsletter], along with boots from the Gap (from when she worked there, too). She is currently the Area Manager for Edge Wireless - and if that weren't enough, she's also the new owner of Diana's Bridal Boutique in Henderson Center.

Mary presented an only slightly-belated vampire duck to Steve Hagenbaugh for the highly successful blood drive (thanks for the duck, Jay).. The Super Bowl pool had many more square-buyers today, but still wasn't completely filled up. February 15th is partners day at our club, so be sure to invite your partner. Jay Sooter will be hosting the next ROAR on Feb 14 at Gabriel's - he's buying the wine, and you're on your own for lunch if you wish to eat.

Mary Kay Hartman gave us an update on her International Committee. They are currently looking at 3 projects in Russia with the Eureka Club, and they expect to narrow the choices and select the best one of those. They are also planning to do a water project in Ecuador, and also looking at 2 water projects from the Festival of Brotherhood. Great job on the International front, Mary Kay!

Maggie Kraft from the Humboldt Senior Resource Center thanked us again for our contributions to the New Alzheimer's Center (which is



currently in the framing stage), and announced their next fund raiser for that project is an evening at Casablanca. For a mere \$75.00 donation, you will be treated to dinner, an open bar, then you'll get to watch the film "Casablanca" in the Arkley Center for the Performing Arts, which is followed by dessert and coffee. For information, please contact Jim Anderson or John Moore.

Greg Dale announced that the Highland Park bleachers were being built today, and Bob Burchit was fined \$10 for Jane taking a phone call while Mary was running the meeting. Steve Brodhag got sung to on his birthday, and would have gotten off without a fine if he hadn't tried to implicate four "innocent" Rotarians.

The irrepressible Cindy Denbo held what could loosely be described as a talent contest regarding the upcoming Murder in Tinseltown, and truly, finer performances were rarely seen even on the original Ted Mack Amateur Hour (note to those under 40 - you'll

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Don't forget:

The next R.O.A.R. meeting will be held on Thursday, February 14th at 12:00 noon at Gabriel's.

Past President Jay Sooter will emphasize and explain International Projects as well as his work as a District officer.

Thank you.....

to John Moore for this week's bulletin text and to Liz Ennis for this week's photos.

UPCOMING:

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

**Partner Day—February
15th**

Casino Night—April 5th

need to ask an older member about this show). Patti Needham won \$50 toward her PHF, and Bill Morrell picked up \$40 by answering the easiest Beatles question so far.



Jay Sooter and John Gullam did a great presentation on their recent visit to Ecuador, where they visited a project fair and toured most of Ecuador. Great pictures, guys, and a great program!



As to the departed wheel, two lyrics from the Beatles come to mind. First, it seems the *Committee To Liberate Mary's Wheel* might be saying this to Mary:

If you want it, here it is come and get it

mmmmmm make your mind up fast

If you want it, anytime, I can give it

But you better hurry 'cause it may not last

The second version is much more pessimistic, but if the wheel doesn't recover from the recent gunshots, we could be listening to this one later:

All things must pass

All things must pass away

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