



The Alamo Oak

Rotary Club of Alamo

March 25, 2009

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ROUND HILL PROGRAM CALENDAR:

Date	Program	Greeter
April 1 st	Humphrey Mort Schwartz /Automotive Industry Expert	West
April 8 th	West	Johnson

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 4th Egg Hunt, 10AM SHARP @ Livorna Park
- April 11th District Assembly, 8AM-2PM
- April 20th Board Meeting @ Jim Schuppert's home.

TODAY'S GUESTS:

Music Festival Award recipients from local schools.
Denise Rousset, Sentinel Newspaper
Phil Scott, Merrill Lynch
Francisco Cabrita, San Ramon Rotary
Nardy Silverman, Rotary Club of Polson, Montana
Jenna Ervice

March 25, 2009 Announcements/Reminders

Greg Schuyler has invited all interested Alamo Rotarians to a free cruise on his Celebrations on the Bay this Sunday at 1:30. **Monte Vista Interactors** will be on hand to decorate Celebrations on the Bay for the “Day on the Bay” event to be held on April 26th. Contact Greg for more details.

Beth Randall announced the latest good deeds done by the **MV Interactors!** They have recently donated seven bags of books to the Ndabibi Secondary School in Kenya. They are coordinating this work with Sally Scholl, who has previously presented her projects at our club.

Each **Interactor** has also pledged to donate a bag of food to the Contra Costa Food Bank. Beth wants us to meet the challenge as well!
More info coming soon..

Egg Hunt: Saturday morning, April 4th

Chuck Ortmeyer needs volunteers to help stuff the eggs on April 3rd and to help hide the eggs at Livorna Park on the morning of the egg hunt.

District Assembly Workshop: All members, especially new members and officers/board members ... please take note and plan to attend this 6 (8AM to 2PM) hour Rotary workshop on **Saturday morning, April 11th**. It is at University East Bay, Concord Campus, 4700 Ygnacio Valley Road. Please contact Bill Randall to reserve a spot . Headcount is important as they do provide a box lunch ... want to be sure no one goes away hungry!

Rotary Center for International Studies: Sunday, April 26th –

The Annual Spring Seminar is an opportunity for you to learn more about the Rotary Peace Fellow program at UC Berkeley. After an introduction of the Fellows, they will divide up for panel presentations and interaction with Rotarians. Luncheon at noon will feature a speaker on peace and conflict resolution followed by more panel presentations. It will be at the Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant in Berkeley. Registration fee of \$40 includes lunch. Contact Jim Schuppert if you are interested in reserving a spot for this event.

Bocce Ball Tourney: May 9th at Martinez Bocce Ball Federation, noon to 6PM. Contact Bill Ferguson or Mark Kahn if interested.



Fines/Recognitions:

So there is a Santa....suit, after all. Bill Randall confessed to having found the “missing” Santa suit neatly hanging in his closet! Bill Ferguson was finally cleared of all charges of having lost the suit after his Christmas gig. Out of habit, Bill donated \$5 for telling a joke.

Raffle: Diane Barley pulled out a black marble, leaving \$30 for next week’s winner.

Our Program:

Thanks to Carolyn Thiessen for organizing this week’s program, the Annual Music Awards, which are given to the six local schools. Each of the six schools was presented with a \$1000 check, from the proceeds of the 2008 Alamo Music Festival.

In addition to the gratitude given to Alamo Rotary for its continued support, the common theme throughout each speaker’s remarks was the budget crisis that is facing the school district today. It is unfortunate that we may not be seeing these music teachers next year, since some of them have already been given their pink slips.

Accepting the check for Alamo school were Principal Amy Hink and Nancy Raaum. Carolyn has also arranged for the Alamo School Chorus to sing for us in December! Sylvia Ryan accepted the check for San Ramon Valley HS. Principal Shawn McElroy and Ben Loomer were representing Stone Valley Middle School. Principal Becky Smith, Bruce Kolina and Ed Cloyd accepted the check for Monte Vista HS. Representing Rancho Romero were Interim Principal Loraine Ritchie, Christine Bertolero and Connie Forslind. Principal Claudia Ronaldson and Carmen Trefil accepted the check on behalf of the Mauzy School.