



# The Alamo Oak

*Rotary Club of Alamo*

*October 1, 2008*

[Alamorotary.org](http://Alamorotary.org)

## PROGRAM CALENDAR:

Date	Program	Greeter
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Morton Bill Harlan Shakespeare and “who really wrote the plays”	Cheney
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Robbins Delhi Polio NID	Brandt
October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Soult John Bellandi/Alamo Hay & Grain	Barley

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday October 18 <sup>th</sup>	Rotary Day at the Races
October 24-26	District 5160 Conference, Concord Hilton
Monday October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting at Jim Schuppert’s home
Wednesday October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Club Fireside (NO lunch meeting)



## October 1<sup>st</sup> MEETING:

In Jim Schuppert's absence, PE Bill Randall presided over today's meeting.

ALAMO ROTARIANS WELCOMED THE FOLLOWING GUESTS:

Mary Piepho-Supervisor/Speaker  
Gina Ferretti-Assistant to the Supervisor  
John Jones-Guest of Jack Thompson

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dictionary Project: The dictionaries have been purchased and the distribution date is scheduled for 11/4. Contact Beth Randall if you would like to be part of the distribution team.

Contact Jack Thompson if you are missing any items from the Music Festival.

Greg Schuyler would like to encourage more members to join the "One Hundred Club" of Contra Costa County. The purpose of the One Hundred Club is to help provide for the spouses and dependents of police and firefighters who lose their lives in the line of duty. More info is available at [100ClubContraCostaCounty.org](http://100ClubContraCostaCounty.org).

Elmer is helping out Soles4Souls by getting the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts involved in this project, which was initially brought to our attention by Chris Campbell. To date, over 1000 pairs of shoes have been collected. Check out the Soles4Souls cover story in this week's edition of Alamo Today.

Last Sunday, Beth Randall and the Monte Vista Interactors completed another fundraiser: a Swim for Polio Plus. In spite of the heat, one student went on to swim 301 laps and another student managed 300 laps!! We'll wait to hear from Beth exactly how much was raised at this event.

#### FINES/RECOGNITIONS:

Jack Campbell was fined for his recent 17-day trip to Turkey. He never mentioned the Hagia Sophia, the Bosphorus or the ruins at Ephesus, but he remembered to tell us to 'bring your own vodka!'

Alan Fahrenkrog was fined for not surfing on his recent trip with Rosemarie to Huntington Beach.

Jack Thompson was fined (once again!!) for taking a trip...this time he attended a wedding in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Don Morton tried to have Father Bill fined for not wearing his blue badge during the meeting...Bill picked up the badge off the floor and spared himself. Who knew there was a 10 second rule for badges!!

All of the above fines were for \$20...but Vish was fined \$25 for his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The whole family surprised the couple with a big bash and Vish is taking Sheila on an extended South American vacation!

## OUR PROGRAM:

Supervisor Mary Piepho was our speaker today. She was elected to the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors in November 2004 and reelected in 2008. She represents District III of Contra Costa County. She is a resident of Walnut Creek and has offices in Danville and Brentwood.

-Contra Costa County (CCC) has an annual budget of \$1.3 Billion, of which \$300 million represent unrestricted funds.

-CCC is the ninth most populous county in California.

-There are five Supervisors in the CCC Board of Supervisors, representing the five districts of the county.

-District III is the largest of the five districts and covers the communities of Walnut Creek, Danville, Alamo, San Ramon, Discovery Bay, Diablo, Brentwood, Byron, Knightsen, Blackhawk and the Tassajara Valley.

Raffle: Alan Fahrenkrog tried but did not win the \$15.