



# The Alamo Oak

*Rotary Club of Alamo*

*November 12, 2008*

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## ROUND HILL PROGRAM CALENDAR:

Date	Program	Greeter
December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ferguson Voice-Over Specialist...	Combs
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	C. Thiessen MV Beauty Shop Quartet	Fahrenkrog
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Program	Morton

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting at Jim Schuppert's home
Wed November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Six Club Meeting ( <b>NO</b> Lunch meeting) Speaker: Economist Jay Tonz
Sun December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Tree Lighting Ceremony
Sat December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Alamo Rotary Holiday Party

Alamo Rotary Welcomed the following guests:

Gail Murray: Speaker (BART)  
Roderick Lee: BART  
Aaron Gobler: Rotary Club of Albany, District Website Manager  
Tony Colorado: Union Bank of California

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations to the newest members of Alamo Rotary:  
JP Furber and Eric Roberts

Six Club Meeting Info:

Contact Jim Schuppert if you are interested in attending the meeting.  
Economist Jay Tonz will speak about 'current economic issues that are relevant to all of us'.  
November 19<sup>th</sup> 6-8:30pm  
Crow Canyon Country Club  
Buffet Dinner and No-Host Bar  
\$35 per person

Mrs. Clark (3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Rancho) sent a note of Thanks to the Dictionary Distribution team. Her third graders also sent letters of appreciation for their brand new dictionaries.

Alamo Rotary Holiday Party:

December 13<sup>th</sup> @ Jim Schuppert's home, \$25 per person

Valentine's Day Party:

Mark your calendars! February 11, 2009  
Mark Kahn will be providing all the details for this fun event!

Beth Randall reported that the Interactors raised \$2000 in the Swim for Polio Plus  
Beth encouraged our members to designate their Rotary Foundation contributions towards Polio Plus.

Howard Robbins had an update on his Polio NID trip to India: The Concord Rotary will be hosting a fundraiser to raise money for "Project Cocoon".

This provides Incubators for premature babies in Kolhapur, India. To make a donation, contact Howard Robbins or Jane Wood of the Concord Rotary at 925-389-1805.

The Monte Vista Beauty Shop Quartet will be performing at our December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The sponsors of the Alamo Music Festival will be invited to this event. Contact Jim Schuppert if you would like to recommend a sponsor who you feel should be invited to this meeting.

November is Rotary Foundation Month.

Please make your check payable to The Rotary Foundation and give it to **Brad Gai**. Designations to Polio Plus are encouraged in order to match the \$100 million goal set by the Gates Foundation.

## FINES/RECOGNITIONS:

The Randalls were fined \$30 for their two-week road trip of the Northeast.

Chris Suter and I were fined \$20 each for our respective birthdays.

Mike Gallagher was fined \$20 for Lee's birthday. Mike also confessed to winning 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the District Conference Golf Tournament, along with John Hansen, Bill Ferguson and Mark Kahn, who were fined \$10 each.

## OUR PROGRAM:

Our speaker today was Gail Murray, who currently serves as the President of the BART Board of Directors. Her fellow Board members elected her to the one-year term in an unanimous vote on December 20, 2007.

Voters first elected her to the BART Board on November 2, 2004 to represent District 1, which includes Walnut Creek, Concord, Clayton, Pleasant Hill, Orinda, Moraga, Lafayette, and half of Danville.

President Murray has been Mayor, Council Member, Planning Commissioner, and Transportation Commissioner for the City of Walnut Creek, and Chair of the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority.

Some interesting facts about the BART system:

-average of 370,000 riders use BART per day, 400,000 on Sunday!

-Rule of Thumb: it costs \$100 million for every mile of BART service.

-each BART car costs \$3 Million!!

Thanks to Jack Campbell for arranging a great presentation!

RAFFLE: Eric Roberts pulled the black marble...leaving \$105 in the bag for next week!