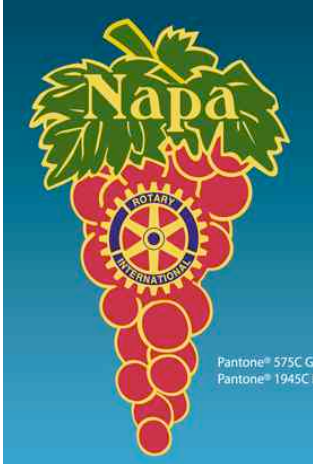


The Napa Rotagram

July 16, 2008



Thought for the Day

I hope your humble scribe correctly got **Ed Barwick's** thought, probably one from Sir Winston Churchill:



We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.



It appears the tone is set for the coming year – no French, no Tennessee, no fishing; it's all BEAVER (no reference to the alleged college nickname of new **Pres Gary**, of course).

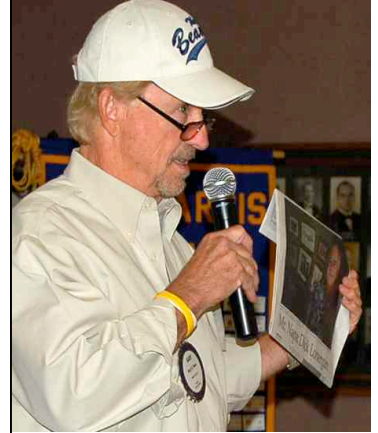
If you get called upon to answer a trivia question, just repeat the “B” word ... the mascot of Oregon SU, the TV hero of the '60s, and the ship that was involved in the Boston Tea Party ...



It was great to welcome **Dr. Houghton Gifford**, not really a visiting Rotarian, but still a dues-paying member. “It’s wonderful when you can take a microphone away from **Tom Young**,” he gloated.

Pres Gary read several thank you cards that are still coming in from the Cycle For Sight.

Gary said he is humbled to lead the club in the year ahead with so many community leaders he has known and respected over the years. But that didn’t stop him from zinging several of them – including **Dick Lonergan**, henceforth known as “Mr. Napa.”



Dick was cited in a multi-page spread in the NV Register – and no mention of Rotary!! It seems that was left on the “cutting room floor,” since Dick’s intentions were admirable. Nice spread on a deserving Napan and Rotarian.

Mr. “O” sports the new tiara headgear that will be worn by all past pres’s from here on.



Condolences to **Bill Blanckenburg** and all the family of Kathy Bollinger, Bill’s daughter. She passed away on July 13. A special fund has been set up in her memory.



It’s official ... \$42,000 was passed to the Pathway Home Project at the Vets Home and another \$20,000 to Enchanted Hills – all thanks to the Cycle For Sight!!

Make Dreams Real



That's the theme of the year ahead from Rotary International President-elect **Dong Kurn Lee**. He addressed incoming district governors at the 2008 International Assembly, urging them to use their resources to help curb child mortality.



Our Speaker ...



Mark Pope is "The Bounty Hunter." He seeks out rare wines and promises an ethical business experience – and a darned good BBQ or beer can chicken.

This is what he really looks like. Mark turned his first catalog on a shoestring into a multi-million dollar enterprise. If three customers bite per thousand catalogs mailed, that's a good thing. "Customers are gold," he says.



The Bounty Hunter is located at 975 First St. in downtown Napa in the historic Semorile Building. Good place for a glass of wine or a snack – and especially to find a special bottle or vintage.



Coals to Newcastle? Pres Gary presents Mark Pope with a very special bottle of wine not likely to be found on the open market.



50 Years Ago – August 13, 1958:
Bill Jeffries will present a here-to-fore-unrevealed-to-the-Napa-Rotary-Club foreign art movie ... without girls!! The subject is "Japanese Carpenters," but don't despair; there will be prominent mention of ARCHITECTURE.

25 Years Ago – October 19, 1983:
 We have a new "can carrier" who will surely be kept hopping with all the fines we've been collecting lately. Dick Lonergan, acting captain for the Napa Police Department should feel right at home collecting fines from those who err ...

10 Years Ago – November 18, 1998:
 Help for the Hondurans is on the way! That's right. Vince Goetz is mobilizing people. Larry Wolfe is stockpiling supplies, and Gene Kelly is organizing a huge effort to help the Hondurans in the aftermath of "the great storm."