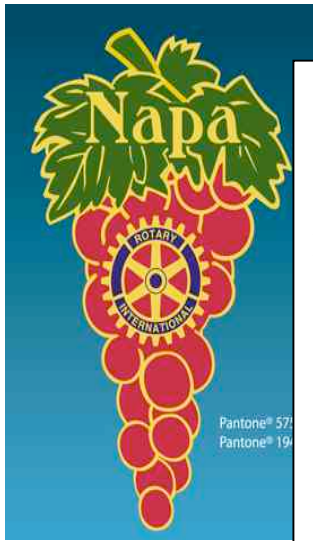


The Napa Rotagram

JULY 30, 2008



President Gary Rose graciously covered the Thought of the Day: Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go.



Dale Carricker lead the Rotarians in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Our Visiting Rotarians were **Chuck Meibeyer** and **Doug Koford**.

Guests of Rotarians: **Terry Blodgett**, **Cherry Warnack**, as well as **Lynn “the Matchmaker” Champlin**. Welcome.

Announcements:

President Gary is very serious about this “NO MORE FRENCH” business. He cornered **Chuck de Lorimier** to make sure he understands the new directive. Really, folks, no French – not even if you can pronounce it properly!

The Sunshine Report: On a sad note, we have to report that **Bob Mullikin** has suffered a heart attack. He has been outfitted with a pacemaker, and is resting comfortably. Bob will be happy to receive your good wishes at his home at 2983 Alderwood Court, Napa CA 94558. The phone number is 258-1655.



Happy Tens and Bold Face Names

Rod Wiesner has happily survived a reunion with his in-laws. That was worth a contribution to his wife’s Paul Harris.

President Gary auctioned off a colorful bicycling shirt. It found a new owner for \$50.

Rotary Club Number Two is celebrating its 100th anniversary in San Francisco in the near future. Additional information will be available soon for those who would like to attend the celebration at the St. Francis Hotel.

The brownies on the tables did not contain all the ingredients that some may remember fondly from the 60’s. It was birthday observation day.

Mike Bethard did his magic again taking his victims to task with trivia questions related to their professions. **Dale Carricker** knew who invented the washing machine,



Margaret Pranger charges more for psychiatric



counseling than Peanuts Character Lucy did – but what does it matter if Medicare doesn’t pay Margaret anyway?



Ed Barwick impressed the audience with his uncanny knowledge in matters automotive.



Nancy Watt showed good knowledge on the history of Napa County; and **Jason Weiss** blew it on a trick question about the Boys & Girls Club.

Jim Ford is asking for your prayers and financial contributions to benefit **Grant Beltrami** who is suffering from aseptic anemia. Grant is **Earl Randol's** grandson and he is the son of Napa Valley Bank's founding director. A bone marrow donor for a transplant has been located in Germany. The procedure is quite expensive and the Beltrami family will be grateful for your contribution which will be received at Bank of Napa.

Our Speaker...

Napa attorney **Chuck Meibeyer** took the audience on a step-by-step trip through his remodeling adventure of **Alecia and Rich Hancock's** first home on Montecito Blvd. Since Chuck has met his future wife during the remodeling process, he will not live in the finished icon.

Rather, he will live in his bride's home in St. Helena which he has promised not to remodel anytime soon. The house on Montecito is now for sale.

How do you sell a home that nobody lives in? There is none better than **Terry Blodgett**, our second speaker, to hone in on that question. Terry has a barn full of furniture that will give an empty home that "lived in" appearance. The right furniture will reassure future homeowners that there will be sufficient room for their own possessions. Closets have to be neatly arranged because any kind of clutter will signal a "Storage Problem" message. A home for sale has to have that comfortable, uncluttered "lived-in appearance". Home staging efforts are worth their weight in gold.



David Wildhagen Draws a Card