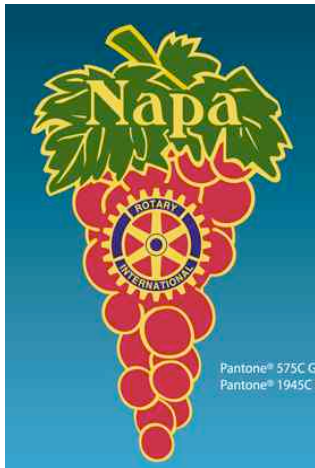


The Napa Rotagram

August 13, 2008



Thought for the Day
 Pres Gary did the honors
 once again with some
Happy Talk from *South*



If you don't have a
 dream,
 how you gonna have a
 dream come true?

Gene Waken of Napa Sunrise is putting together a program for recovering methamphetamine users, their families and friends. If you have an interest in being involved, contact Gene.

It was T-Shirt day with the **Fullertons** receiving theirs. **Jeff Erickson** brought one back with other Boston Red Sox treasures after a trip to Fenway. It fetched \$75 for the club's coffers.



Honored guests at this week's meeting were District 5130 Governor **Ed Fullerton** and his wife, **Carol**. They were regaled with T-shirts, Rotary Rose pins and wine.



It was Chinese history time as **Pres Gary** popped a pop quiz on members. Did you know ... The Great Wall of China has been named the Eighth Wonder of the World ... It took 25,000 workers to construct the wall which is 4,000 miles long ... and Tiananmen Square is 100 acres large?



It was time for another "Fine Free Hat." Gary's fashion statement raised some big bucks.

DG Fullerton did some pinning of his own as **Barbara Nemko** was honored for her work with young people.



Bill Dodd was also honored with a Rotary Rose for his community service. That caused **Kirk Candland** to query, "Is this what you get when you come to Rotary once every six months?"

Happy Tens (and more) ... Kent Gardella said four *If Given a Chance* young people have gone off to college ... **Rick Whatley** noted AAA has been in Napa for 90 years ... **Bill Dodd** graduated two students from college (one to go) ... While fishing in the Sierra, **Steve Orndorf** heard bullets fly past - closely ... **Carol Fullerton** said they are expecting their 11th and 12th grandchildren later this year – twin boys.

Visiting Rotarians



Bud Mills and **Brad Wagenknecht** from Napa Sunrise, **Roark Hoffman** of Petaluma Sunrise and **Steve Hill** from Mission San Rafael.

This sleek van is one of a pair donated to the The Pathway Home project for PTSD patients at the Vets Home.



Our Speaker ...

Assistant District Governor **Kathy Flamson** from the Calistoga club introduced **DG Ed Fullerton**.



Kathy noted Ed was chief pilot for Pan Am in New York, spent thirteen years in Berlin and has been a member of the Petaluma club since 1997.

Fullerton decided in high school he wanted to become a pilot, despite discouragement from an instructor who doubted he had it in him. That started a long history of living this year's Rotary motto, "Make Dreams Real."

He was emphatic in his admonition; "You have no right to thwart dreams, especially for a child."

He was graduated in aeronautics from Santa Rosa JC and soon became a pilot and spent several years as a fighter pilot in the Marines.



Ed Fullerton learned early on at a Rotary leadership meeting that collaborating with people who are good at what they do makes one's own job easier.

One of the first things Ed did was recognize our own **Bob Barwick**, himself a one-time DG.



Rotary International President **D.K. Lee** of South Korea's statement that 30,000 children a day are dying moved **Fullerton**. The three most common causes are pneumonia, diarrhea and malaria.

Measures are underway to battle these maladies, and it is reported the number of daily deaths has dropped already to 16,000.

Polio Plus, the battle to eradicate that disease continues and is highly successful, but **Fullerton** warns it should not be abandoned as long as it still exists.

Money is needed to continue to fund worldwide programs and to help local clubs with matching grants for special projects. Napa Rotarians averaged \$147 in donations to the Foundation this past year. That's above the average, but **Fullerton** feels all clubs should be moving toward \$200.

"We've come a long way," he said, stating the mission should be, "Relieve human suffering. Personally do something that will save the life of a child."



50 Years Ago – September 3, 1958

Jim Imrie introduced **Gordon Eby** who presented the idea behind the proposed state college, which might be located in the Napa area. Gordon says the Dept. of Education is, "open minded ... a little."



25 Years Ago – December 14, 1983

Past President **Jim Ford** announced the names the nominating committee has selected for new officers: **Mike Bethard**, Pres.; **Dean Donaldson**, VP; **Paul Crawford**, secretary; **Cliff Thompson**, treasurer; directors **John Cochrane**, **Steve Bardesson**, **Bill Provan**, **Ray Sercu**, **Bob Smith**, **Wyman Smith** and **Dick Shepherd**.

