

# The Napa Rotagram

February 3, 2010



## Visiting Rotarians



Edwin Oviatt,  
Classification: imagine  
that!!! ROTARIAN,  
from Tiburon,  
Leona Charfaurus,  
Business Banker, Sunrise

## Thought for the Day

*We enjoyed a  
BYU Video  
Honoring Football  
Adversary Air  
Force*

Great sportsmanship and patriotism, great message, classy, classy act. These 2 institutions produce fine, upstanding citizens, and this message proves that. (posted comment)

**YouTube Video Link:**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72OhOWFMf84>

**President Bruce McCall** treated Rotarians to a bit of Louis Armstrong, accompanied by a lively display of shadow fingers on the screen.

**Mike Loughran** headed the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Sunshine Report: Larry Wolfe** had back surgery. He is now resting at home.

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**No Winners and the Pool Grows! 20 cards left.**



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So far, they have delivered 50 quilts to our returning Veterans. What does it take to put a quilt together? You have to join two layers, with a special layer in the middle called a bat, plus bindings have to be sewn, ironed and hand-stitched together. The quilts are an enormous treasure and are highly appreciated by the recipients. It costs about \$150 in materials to make a quilt. Many Rotarians stepped up to the plate to sponsor future quilts.



## Announcements:

Don't forget the fundraiser for the Napa Youth Symphony at the Lincoln Theater on **February 13**. The young musicians appeared at Carnegie Hall last year, and in 2010 they hope to have the funds to perform in Ireland. The tickets are \$30, \$60, and \$95, plus reserve a little money for the silent auction.

**Don Fretz** was recognized for his creative work in bringing the annual Camellia show to Napa. Hopefully many Rotarians came and saw the beautiful blooms.

The fish in the Napa River are a little bit safer now because **Steve Orndorf** will spend a less time fishing now that he has taken on the responsibilities of a bank director...at the **Bank of Napa**. **Tom LeMasters** is happy to have him.

For **Cycle for Sight information** – how can you get involved? – call Robert Green.

**Brenda Speth** graciously paid a fine for her Daughter’s accomplishments on the Napa Vintage Girls team. She is a sophomore. Brenda’s middle son made the paper, and her oldest has just returned from Iraq. The latter Son will introduce his fiancée to the family.



**Bruce Kettron**, this week’s most-improved bowler, has made a futile attempt at changing the dress code at Napa Bowl. Will the business suit catch on? Bruce’s score has moved from 50 to 109. Bravo for **Robert Green!!!** He bought the Pathway Home bowlers pizzas.



**Today’s Program**

**Patty Trosclair**, our speaker, provided fascinating insight in the artistic group called **Follies du Valle**.



Rotarians were treated to a glimpse of the repertoire the impressive performers bring to the stage. The group was founded in 1971. Ever since then they have been singing, dancing with great enthusiasm.



The performers are all volunteers, and the profits their performances generate will fund 50 scholarships for disadvantaged youths to do internships at the Lincoln Theater, where they can learn about production and everything that goes into behind the scenes. The creative members of the cast take plenty of liberties with the lyrics of well-known songs, and the performance turns out to be a spoof on the Napa Valley lifestyle. The Follies shows are always family friendly. Over the years many high school students have gone from very shy to a point where they have garnered enough confidence to blossom as performers. The cast consists of 150 participants who come all the way from American Canyon to Calistoga. Go to <http://www.folliesduvalle.org/> for information on the March 5-7 event.

**Reminders:**



**Napa Bowl - with Veterans** - Get out your bowling shoes and join the Pathway Home residents for a friendly game! 6:30-8:30 pm on Monday nights.

**Final Thought from William Arthur Ward:**

“We can learn much from wise words, little from wisecracks, and less from wise guys”



Maren / Dana