

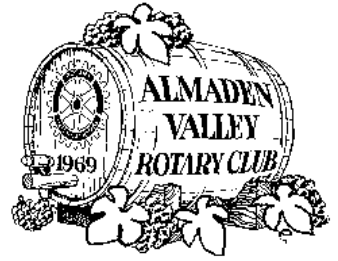
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MEET FRIDAY NOON AT THE THREE FLAMES RESTAURANT * 1547 MERIDIAN, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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Holiday Check List

1. Are you going to this Fridays Senior Luncheon?
2. Have you confirmed your Christmas Dinner attendance? Call Chuck Shepardson.
3. Have you a name for the Christmas Families project? Call Roger Bier or Billy.
4. Have you asked your spouse to the Christmas Luncheon? Contact Michael.
5. Have you confirmed with Angie for the new Years Party?



Fridays program was Dr. Abraham M. Espira of the Kakamega Rotary in Kenya

President's Leaf

by

Miles Yamamoto, President Almaden Valley Rotary Club



I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving. Everyone must have been out shopping on Friday since I understand we are losing six days of shopping before Christmas this year. Does that mean there will be more to choose from on the day before Christmas this year?

Our day after Thanksgiving meeting did not have a lot of quantity, but the quality was very good. Since we normally do not have a program for this meeting, I was expecting to hear a few jokes from our members and adjourning the meeting early. Instead, we were able to have a visiting Rotarian, Dr. Abraham Espira who is the President of the Rotary Club of Kakamega, Kenya, District 9200, present an impromptu program. Dr. Espira is a medical doctor and was in San Jose visiting his daughter. Dr. Espira told us about some of the projects of the Kakamega Rotary Club in Kenya and about Rotary in Africa. Dr. Espira answered questions of our members and told us about the ravages of AIDS in Africa. He also told us about the importance of the PolioPlus program to his country. We were very fortunate to be in attendance and to meet and hear Dr. Espira.

It was good to have Ken Tavernier's wife, Shannon, join us for the meeting. She was fortunate that Dr. Espira was in attendance otherwise, she (and the rest of us) would have had to listen to some of our jokes.

Just a reminder that this Friday's meeting (December 6) will be the Senior Luncheon at the Southside Community Center at 5585 Cottle Road. Cooks should be there at 10:00 A.M. and everyone else at 11:00 A.M.

Sow the Seeds of Love.

Your friend in Rotary,

Miles

It was a small and spirited membership who wobbles in for the November 29th meeting of the Almaden Valley Rotary Club.

The well-trained Fast Eddie leads the pledge and provides the invocation.

Samurai Miles after trying to find the bell welcomes everyone to the day after Thanksgiving meeting, which should be very short since we have neither program nor fine master today.



Roger Bier greets guests from Kenya

Visiting Rotarians please introduce yourselves. Jim stands from downtown and Abraham Espira from Kenya.

Kenny T. introduces his wife Shannon Tavernier.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miles reads a thank you card from Saratoga Student Care Club – Thank you for your generous contribution to the John Holly project to provide a new computer for this handicapped student.



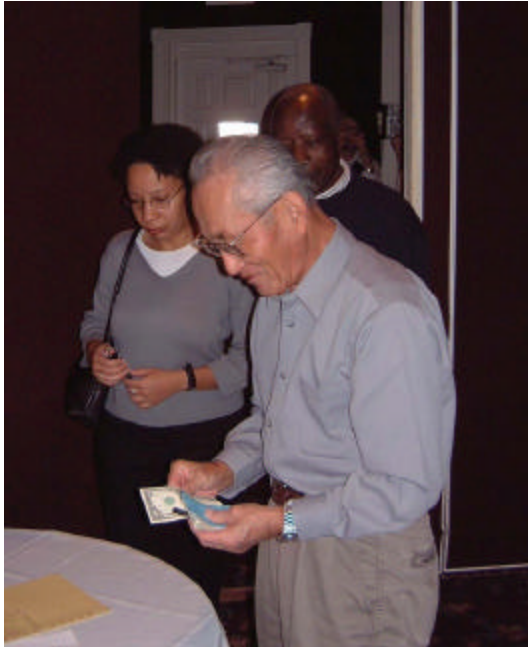
Big Paul reports on the Thanksgiving baskets project. Over 45 families were served meals with the remaining funds of \$200 donated to the church Christmas Stockings program.

Roger Bier states this is the last day to receive your raffle tickets for the Rotary Foundation drawing.

The Three Flames Hostess comes in to contact Mel Bandanza “Your wife called to say that you can stay for the whole meeting.”

An embarrassed Mel responded “Thank you.”

Reverend Ray stands to asks his prodigy Mike Niimoto - where he has been for the last 2 months? Hawaii and Japan of course.



Holiday Schedule

Dec – 5, Board Mtg. @ Venezia
Dec – 12, Christmas dinner dance @ Almaden Country Club.
Dec – 13 – No Meeting (DARK)
Dec – 18, Christmas wrap party at the Biers
Dec – 20, Christmas Luncheon at the Almaden Country Club featuring the Winchester Orchestra.
Dec – 29, New Years party at the Hassler's.

Miles tries to reconvene the meeting but John Baker asks miles to hold on for a minute so Dale can finish his story.

OK MILES we are ready now.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Miles then asks Dr. Abraham M. Espira to come up a share some thoughts on Kenya. Dr. Espira is from Rotary District 9200, Rotary Club y Kakamega, Kenya. Club flags are exchange.



Dr. Espira proceeded to describe his beautiful country in excellent English. A country of contrasts with the same climate of the bay area but one to two hours away you are in semi-desert or freezing cold in high elevations. The diverse people there are quite friendly.

His Rotary club does many of the same things we do, however the need is much greater. We also try to cover health service gaps that the government miss and provide scholarships to the bright students.

They have been very successful in eradicating polo in Kenya because there is a stable government organization. This is not true in less stable countries such as Somalia.

Regarding aids, it is a serious problem primarily due cultural practices.

Dr. Espira provided an excellent description of the culture, beauty, and customs of Kenya.

SHARKFEST 03

Be sure to sign up now for the San Jose Sharks vs. Colorado Avalanche on Saturday evening, January 4th. The Sharks are considered to be one of the premier hockey teams in the NHL and will be facing one of the most talented teams in the league.

Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. with cocktails and appetizers, followed by the main entrée which includes:

Antipasto Salad with Oil & Vinegar Dressing
Meat Lasagna Bolognese
Bow Tie Pasta served with Alfredo Sauce
Garlic Bread
2 Drink Tickets per person
Coffee

Dinner will be served through the first period for any latecomers.

Enjoy the fellowship with friends, fellow Rotarians and spouses; then enjoy the game which should be a good one as San Jose and Colorado always play each other very competitively.

ALL OF THE ABOVE FOR ONLY \$58.00 PER PERSON!

Contact John Baker or Paul Uenaka for sign-ups.

GO SHARKS!!!

ROSTER OF ACTIVE MEMBERS

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\$	Baker, John* (Joan*)	Sports Equipment, Retail	408-377-7647	408-371-9187 Hmfx	408-377-0647	408-371-5290
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& # \$	Consentino, Paul*	Home Building	408-377-5693	408-605-5701 Cell 408-949-0345 Pgr	408-377-5692	408-268-9331
# \$	Curley, Bruce* (Deanna*)	Veterinarian	408-269-6177	408-839-5033 Cell	408-264-6354	408-997-2620
	D'Ardenne, Walt* (Peggy)	Nuclear Safety Classification	650-961-7436			650-961-4875
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& \$	Exberger, Gary* (Linda*)	Accounting	408-879-8906		408-879-9222	408-723-0185
	Finnerty, Tom* (Joanne)	Employee Benefits Consultant	408-244-3721	530-412-2110 Cell 408-997-8714 Hmfx	408-244-8535	408-997-6135
\$	Flores, Paul* (Marilyn)	Sales and Marketing	408-268-7944	408-406-9418 Cell	408-268-3642	408-997-3408
	Gardner, Michael	Almaden Valley Country Club	408-268-3643	408-832-5926 Cell	408-268-4653	408-374-0408
	Garland, Chuck* (Harriet)	Life Insurance		408-472-7071 Cell	408-997-3020	408-997-1618
# \$	Gibson, Jerry* (Joyce*)	Engineer, Software	408-927-9350		408-742-8295	408-268-6014
	Gilleland, John* (Heather*)	Computer Logistics		408-221-6133 Cell	408-563-0367	408-997-3377
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# \$	Guisto, John* (Bobbie*)	City Planner	408-262-6853	408-504-6829 Cell	408-262-6111	408-262-1691
# \$	Hassler, Angie* (Roger*)	Travel Agent	408-297-6942		408-850-8504	408-997-0375
# \$	Hassler, Roger* (Angie*)	Casualty Insurance	408-997-8930		408-997-9364	408-997-0375
	Jenott, Barney* (Marj*)	Real Estate				408-265-3393
	Kuhn, Vernon "Vern"* (Erin*)	Boy Scouts of America				408-227-6585
#	Lacina, Ed* (Diane*)	Floor Coverings, Retail	408-267-0466	408-685-3567 Cell	408-267-0220	408-356-1708
\$	Leone, Charles* (Odette*)	Accounting				408-268-3127
+ #	Lester, F. Raymond "Ray"* (Grace*)	Prune Grower			408-227-6507	408-269-5740
& \$	Malloy, Diane* (Tom)	Banking Management	408-358-1353		408-358-1762	408-997-0166
\$	McCarthy, Marianne* (Jack*)	Computer Supplies	408-998-4004		408-998-8101	650-347-0939
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	Pileggi, Joseph* (Louise)	Mortgage Investments	408-370-0779	408-472-6025 Cell	408-370-0770	408-445-9102
\$	Remy, John* (Carol)	YMCA, Human Service	408-226-3324	408-345-0879 Pgr	408-226-9622	408-365-2079
	Ronstadt, Steven	Banking	408-286-2619		408-998-6669	831-462-5568
\$	Rosen, Jeff* (Dana)	Insurance Broker	408-371-7364		408-377-9705	408-268-5693
\$	Shepardson, Chuck* (Sherry)	Property Management	408-249-9045		408-249-2500	408-354-6420
+ #	Smith, Bill* (Wanda*)	Life Insurance	408-997-3914		408-997-3914	408-268-2071
	Stark, LeRoy* (Holly)	Direct Marketing	408-559-9505		408-559-9505	408-559-9505
& # \$	Stednitz, Jack* (Betty*)	CPA, Tax	408-295-3818		408-794-3588	408-274-2010
	Stutzman, Tom* (Wendy)	Attorney	408-295-5811		408-294-4600	408-997-7454
	Tavernier, Ken (Shannon)	Financial Services	408-266-9566		408-266-9566	408-978-5493
# \$	Uenaka, Paul* (Norma*)	Income Properties	408-268-1435		408-268-0100	408-268-3901
# \$	Venezio, Paul* (Donna*)	Wine&Liquor, Whlsale, Retired				408-997-0199
	Westen, Dale (Deanne)	Carton Mfg. & Sales				408-559-1187
\$	Yamamoto, Miles* (Eva)	Accounting, Local	408-266-7015		408-265-2950	408-997-0145

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hollister 12:15 Ridgmont Golf & CC 3800 Airline Highway	Gilroy 12:15 Elks Lodge 2765 Hecker Pass Rd.	Cupertino 12:15 Quinlan Community Center 10185 N. Stelling Rd.	Capitola/Aptos 12:15 Aptos Seascapes Golf Lodge 610 Club House Drive, Aptos	Mission San Jose 12:15 Spin-A-Yarn Restaurant 45915 Warm Springs Blvd.
Hayward 12:15 Masonic Hall 1074 B Street	Los Gatos 12:15 Los Gatos Lodge 50 Saratoga Ave.	Fremont 12:15 Century House 37447 Fremont Blvd.	Niles/Fremont 12:15 Century House 37447 Fremont Blvd.	Palo Alto/University 07:30 am Sheraton Hotel 625 El Camino Real
Milpitas 12:15 Crowne Plaza 777 Bellew Drive	Mountain View 12:15 Golden Wok Villa at Bryant	Morgan Hill 12:15 The Golden Oak 16695 Condit Road	San Jose Int'l Airport/Sunrise 07:30 Bay 101 Club 1801 Bering Drive	San Jose North 12:00 George's at the Arena 525 W. Santa Clara Street
Palo Alto 12:15 Rickey's Hyatt House 4219 El Camino Real	Campbell/SJ West 12:15 Eastfield Ming Quong 251 Llewellyn Ave.	San Jose 12:00 Lou's Village 1465 W. San Carlos St.	San Jose Willow Glen 12:00 Three Flames Restaurant 1547 Meridian Avenue	Santa Cruz 12:10 Elks Club 150 Jewel Street, Santa Cruz
Scotts Valley 12:00 Peachwood Pasatiempo Inn Pasatiempo Exit	Sunnyvale 12:15 Ramada Inn 1217 Wildwood Way	Hayward South 12:15 The Hayward Ranch 22877 Mission Blvd.	Santa Clara 12:15 Mariani's 2500 El Camino Real	Saratoga 12:00 Community Center 19655 Allendale Ave.
	Los Altos Sunset 19:15 The Echo Miramonte & Fremont		San Juan Batista 07:00 Dona Ester Mexican Restaurant 25 Franklin Street	Hayward-Castro Valley 07:15 Doug's Place 20871 Redwood Rd

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2002 JULY Fri 05 Regular Meeting Thu 11 Board Meeting - Hassler Fri 12 Regular Meeting – Dist Gov Visit Fri 19 Regular Meeting Wed 24 Silicon Valley Yth Classic Fri 26 Regular Meeting	2002 AUGUST Thu 01 Club Assembly** Sat 03 Dist 5170 Day @ A's Thu 08 Board Meeting – Pileggi Fri 09 Regular Meeting Fri 16 Regular Meeting Fri 23 Regular Meeting Sat/Sun 24/25 Cambrian Art/Wine Fri 30 Regular Meeting ** Round Table	2002 SEPTEMBER Fri 06 Regular Meeting Thu 12 Board Meeting – Bier Fri 13 Regular Meeting Mon 16 AVRC/Yth Focus Golf Tour Fri 20 Regular Meeting Sun 22 Almaden Art/Wine Thu 26 Avenue of Service – Hayward Fri 27 Regular Meeting	2002 OCTOBER Fri 04 Regular Meeting Thu 10 Board Meeting – Venezio Fri 11 Regular Meeting Sat 12 Columbus Day Party Fri 18 Regular Meeting Fri 25 Regular Meeting
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