

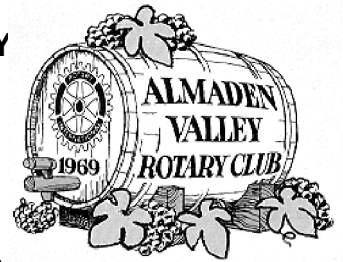


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MEET FRIDAY NOON AT THE THREE FLAMES RESTAURANT, 1547 MERIDIAN, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

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# President's Leaf



SERVICE Above Self

by

John Baker, President, Almaden Valley Rotary Club



I am sure all of you got tired of me complaining about the lousy weather while I was writing on another rainy Sunday morning during what seemed like a winter that would never end, and even as late as yesterday, I still thought I was trapped in a winter weather pattern that would never end. Although this morning it is a little chilly outside, it is a beautiful day and the weather is just supposed to keep getting better.

For those of you who missed the annual board meeting in Tahoe this year, you missed a great trip being among good friends, great food and beautiful scenery. Life just doesn't get any better. Outside of that, you will have to come next year to find out what a gracious host Paul Consentino is with this long-standing traditional club trip.

It is hard to believe that eleven months have gone by already and this President is in the "lame duck" stage of his office. Last year at this time I was preparing to head to Chicago for the International Convention and the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Today as I write, our incoming President, Mel Bandanza, and his wonderful wife Kay are preparing to embark on their journey to Malmö, Sweden, and Copenhagen, Denmark, to this year's International Convention. Our club would like to wish you a wonderful and productive trip. Good luck, travel safely and enjoy the convention.

I would like to make sure that everyone has Friday, June 23, on their calendar for our annual awards banquet at the Three Flames. This is the evening we get the opportunity to thank and acknowledge everyone who has worked so hard to make this a successful year in Rotary. So please plan to attend with your spouse or significant other to show your appreciation toward your fellow Rotarians and help us celebrate our success!

While it is time for me to go to work, I would like to remind all of you to say a prayer for the thousands of people who lost their lives, families and homes this week in Indonesia to yet another natural disaster. When you see the pain and suffering that the hundreds of thousands of people have endured in only the last few years in what seems like an endless string of natural disasters, you have to believe that you have been placed here to help, and while we cannot help everyone, we will do what Rotarians have been doing for over 100 years, and that is never stop trying.

Thanks for being A Friend,

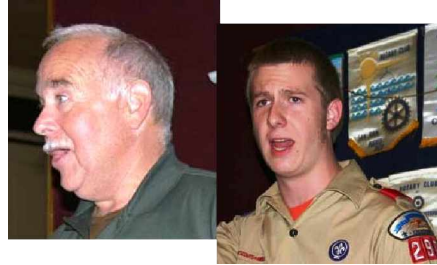
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**BossBaker** rang the bell right on time. Private **Pileggi** led us in the pledge and Pastor **Pileggi** gave the thought for the day.

**Joe Pileggi**

is a scout father who is an Eagle the scouting troops his Eagle Scout Containment Area Ranger Station so and reliable means of detaining also thanked us for our contribution to help make this happen.



introduced Craig Stephen who who introduced his son Louis Scout from Troup 290 (one of we support). Louis described project of an Animal (ACA) at the Calero County that the park rangers have a safe animals prior to relocation. He

Next up was Angelica Norobles a student at CCOC who earned a full scholarship to a culinary school back east. Our club gave her a grant to assist with her room and board.

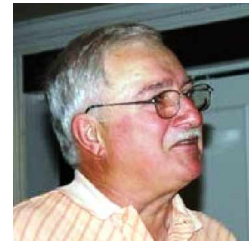


**May Birthdays:**

- Ed Lacina** 5/11
- Peggy D'Ardenne** 5/11
- Linda Exberger** 5/12
- Bill Smith** 5/23

**May Anniversaries**

- John and Bobbie Guisto** 5/31 47 years!



**Roger Hassler** was recognized for 16 years of perfect attendance. Congratulations **Roger!**

The Area 9 Golf Tournament June 9<sup>th</sup> is at Summit Point Golf Course. \$150.00 will get you the green fees, a cart, BBQ lunch, drinks during play and an awards dinner. Dinner only is available for \$30.00. Get your four-somes together. Monies come back to our club. Contact **John Baker** or **Ed Vieira** or see included flyer.



**Joe Pileggi** announced three vacancies for the endowment board and accepted the following nominations (this is the first notice or three):

**Shirley MacDougall** nominated by **Joanne Bengivieno**  
**Jeff Rosen** nominated by **John Baker**  
**Roger Bier** nominated by **Roger Hassler**  
**Paul Venezia** nominated by **Joe Pileggi**  
**Fred Eberle** nominated by **Paul Consentino**



**Paul Consentino** announced the annual Bay 101 Charity challenge with the Los Gatos Lions Club. \$100.00 entitles one to play (Texas Hold 'em) and dinner. Guests pay \$15.00 for dinner only.

**Roger Bier** confirmed the sign up times for the YMCA work party crew this coming Saturday and Sunday.



Thank you **Mel Bandanza** for the major job of updating our blue books and creating all those new books for all of our new members this year. GREAT JOB! THANK YOU!

The wine on the table today was courtesy of **Ken Tavernier** for baby **Lauren Tavernier**, our first child born to a club member since 1912.....Congratulations again **Ken and Shannon** and thank you.



**Roger Bier** announced he has snail and e mailed separate invoices to all of us for the charter party. He'd like to close the books in a timely manner for this year so get those payments in.

Jeff Rosen asked that if any of our members received what appears to be a bill from RI to please give it to him.

## Rogue Roger Frisks Fines From Fine Fellows:



**Rich Flynn** for bringing into RH's office 3 books on Betty Page thoroughly embarrassing RH in front of his staff....**Rich** being at his limit was allowed to "deflect" the fine to **Bruce Bondelie** (5bucks), **Bruce Curley** (10bucks), and **Roger Bier** (10bucks).....**Lisa Lambka** coughed up 10bucks because she knew who Betty Page was.....**Miles** had an amazing story regarding the weekend in Tahoe...he drove up fellow Rotarians but they all had to go home with **Bruce Bondelie**...he then flew back to Tahoe via Reno, rented a car only to pick up his own car keys which were lost but found so he could drive his own car back (all by himself) (20bucks).....**Mel Bandanza** offered to pay 10bucks because he was **Miles'** roommate.....**Bill Smith** passed over 10bucks for impersonating **Fred Eberle** (he was wearing Fred's badge).....Tahoe big winner, **Gary Exberger** was allowed to deflect to **Joe Maestas** (10bucks) and **Jeff Rosen** (10bucks).....and the other big winner **Roger Hassler** was allowed to deflect to **Paul V** (10bucks) and **Dale Westen** (10bucks).....

### Today's Program



**Joe Pileggi** introduced Mayoral candidate, Michael Mulcahy, also a member of the Rotary Club of San Jose. Michael is a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation San Josean whose family has been in San Jose since 1890. He wants to work in partnership with the city council to create a vision to change San Jose. He stands for: 1. Open, ethical government; 2. Effective, efficient government (see his website [www.solutionsforsanjose.com](http://www.solutionsforsanjose.com)); 3. Updating the general plan which hasn't been done for 14 years.

**Don't forget to vote** next **Tuesday 06Jun06**.

### Housekeeping:

New email address for **Dale and Deanne Westen**: [dalewesten@comcast.net](mailto:dalewesten@comcast.net)

New email address for **Paul Consentino**: [gregg@laconbuilders.com](mailto:gregg@laconbuilders.com)

The next two months are really busy for  
Almaden Valley Rotary so:



## Mark your calendars:

- 31 May Final District Cabinet Meeting (awards and recognition, all are welcome)
- 3-4 Jun YMCA beautification work party
- 9 Jun Area 9 Golf Tournament
- 11-14 Jun International Convention
- 23 Jun Awards Night
- 30 Jun Presidents Honorarium
- 07 Jul District Roast and Toast
- 19 Jul Allstar Football Game
- 29 Jul Day at the A's (benefiting RYLA)



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