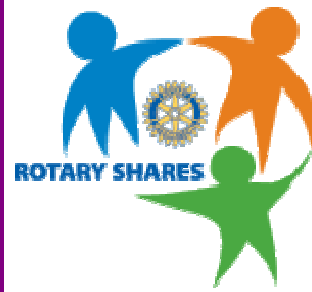


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**PP Jim Clark with Cpt Bryan Phillips
US Army**



Ron with lunch babe's Rosemary and Bobbi

A Big Thank You To:

- Reception Table: **Vernon Varner** (alone, as **Karen McKinzie** did not arrange for a replacement - watch the fines fly!)
- Greeters: **Barbara Tarpley** (who came early and left early) and **Kent Pryor** (who came late but stayed for the entire meeting), and **Scott Begin** (who missed the meeting entirely and arranged for no replacement)
- Flag Salute: **Dan Giordano**
- Invocation: **Sandi Schwartz**
- Song: **Remlap** and **Losral Ardnas** - Joy to the World

Michele Brown announced that no visiting Rotarians joined us for lunch.

Guests:

Tony Ansolabehere's friend, whose name escaped this reporter. (**Carole**, we need you!!)

Glenn Paul's young wife, **Nell**.

Mike Burger's sons, **Nikko & Brock**

Sandi Schwartz's Soldier Son, **Captain Bryan Phillips, U.S. Army**, who has just returned from one year of service in Korea.

Larry Moxley's bride, **Susan**, and eventually their son **Richard**, who was fresh from taking his last final of the year.

Club Anniversaries:

The most important club anniversary of all, **Cy Wade - 55 Years!!**

President Ron presented Christmas cheer to **Rosemary and Bobbi** for all they do for us throughout the year.

Membership Moment - Membership Chair **Jean Watanabe** asked all to be on the lookout for an Interior Designer or Decorator, as a new BEREC member.

President Ron presented **Pam Mahan** with a future Rotarian pin for her grandson. **Pam** accepted the pin gratefully and said the baby will be at her house this very night!

Jean Watanabe will be taking orders for BEREC shirts through next week's meeting. There are pima polo shirts (stone, white, and black), a denim shirt, and oxford shirts in blue and sherbet (and white, I think).

Dave Haynes stated the obvious, there will be no supper club until January 9, 2008.

Mike Burger paid a fine for leaving chairs between **Mike** and the front of the room and between **Nikko** and the front of the room. **Mike** said he was just trying to take care of the senior citizens at the end of the table. Although **Cy, Jack Saba, and Gary Stanfill** were none too pleased to be called Senior Citizens, they advocated for leniency in the fine.

President Ron heard **Larry Moxley** on the radio representing waste management, but he didn't hear **Larry** mention his membership in BEREC! Despite **Larry's** protestations of innocence, he was sentenced to pay a \$25 fine, and **Vernon Varner** was hit with a \$25 fine, as well, as **Larry** was working for him in the radio spot.

Kay Schrader ably dodged a fine by naming the classifications of all those at her table, **Judie Rolph, Steve Gibbs, Bill Lewis, & Phil Franey**.

Chuck Gray will pay \$25 for failing to show or arrange for a replacement when he was scheduled as a greeter two weeks ago. **Ron** reminded everyone of their obligation to arrange for a replacement if they won't be at Rotary when they have an assignment.

President Ron celebrated the 28 BERECsters who have 100% attendance:

Fernando Aguirre, Dave Bass, Michele Brown, Tom Burch, Mike Cooper, Steve Gibbs, Kelly Giblin, Danny Giordano, Bill Gresco, Mike Griffin, Dave Haynes, Johnson Jung, Sandra Larson, Susan Leedy, Bill Lewis, Pam Mahan, George Palmer, Bob Parker, Christine Randall, Judie Rolph, Kay Schrader, Sandi Schwartz, Gary Stanfill, Vernon Varner, Jean Watanabe, Linda Wright, & Cy Wade. Overall, BEREC attendance is above 80%, even with

several members whose attendance is under 60%. Keep up the good work (except for those last nine)!!

Judie Rolph was dazzling in her recounting the Rotarian Magazine article she read about primary education. **Judie** told us that the eighth goal of the United Nations Millenium Development Program is to see that every child has a primary education by the year 2013, with quality education and quality materials. When mothers are educated, it is far more likely children will be educated. Rotarians are in a position to make a difference, and we are! Rotarians raised \$20,000 and built a school in Africa.

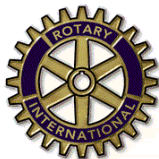
President Ron closed the meet and eat with a Christmas poem by John Greenleaf Whittier:

*Somehow, not only for Christmas, But all the long year through,
The joy that you give to others, Is the joy that comes back to you.
And the more you spend in blessing, The poor and lonely and sad,
The more of your heart's possessing, Returns to you so glad.*



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Where To Make-Up:

Mondays:

Bakersfield South Rotary Club 12:00 noon, Holiday Inn Select
The Rotary Club of Wasco 12:00 noon at Wasco Valley Rose Golf Course

Tuesdays:

Bakersfield North Rotary Club 12:10 noon, 5060 California Ave 12th Floor

Wednesdays:

Bakersfield Breakfast Rotary, 6:45am 5060 California Ave., 12th Floor
Bakersfield West Rotary Club, 12:00 noon, Stockdale Country Club
Shafter Rotary Club 6:30 am, Shafter Veterans Hall, 309 California St
The Rotary Club of Taft, 12:00 pm, Jo's Restaurant, 510 Kern St.

Thursdays:

Bakersfield Rotary Club 12 noon, Bakersfield Art Museum, 1930 "R" St
The Rotary Club of Delano, 12:00 pm Kong's Dynasty, 2200 Girard
Frazier Park/Mountain Rotary Club 7:00 am, Dream Castle - Frazier Park