



# THE ROTO NEWS



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## THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM:

### JARROD MCNAUGHTON

BERC Member Jarrod McNaughton told us about his annual trips to Nigeria to provide medical services to people there. This year the team consisted of people from San Joaquin Community Hospital in Bakersfield, Loma Linda University Medical Center, and Yale New Haven Medical Center.

For those of us who are geographically challenged, Jarrod included a map in his power point presentation. Nigeria is on the west coast of Africa. 140 million people live in this country, which is about twice the size of California. To put this in perspective, Jarrod explained that one out of every five Africans is Nigerian. The northern half of Nigeria is 90% Muslim, and the southern half is 90% Christian. The national capitol was relocated from coastal Lagos to centrally located Abuja, in an effort to bridge the two religious

cultures effectively. Nigeria is in the top 10 of oil exporting countries.

We saw photographs of the Adventist Hospital in Evay, where Jarrod's college roommate and his wife work as physicians. The accommodations are quite primitive compared to American hospitals. Every day the team went out into the surrounding area, to provide medical services to people in the villages. The first thing they do when they arrive at a village is talk to the Chief and seek his permission for them to come into the village. Four years ago they began hiring armed guards to accompany them into the villages, as they were being stopped numerous times each day by patrols seeking money to allow them to pass. They have not been stopped once since hiring the armed guards.



President Ron and Jarrod McNaughton

In addition to learning about Nigeria and the wonderful medical services being provided by Jarrod and his team, we were exposed to Jarrod's fabulous sense of humor, as he explained about machine guns held together with duct tape, the Ambien window, and the fact that his wife thinks BERC is their new church, as he has been paying so many fines recently.

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## Upcoming Events at Bakersfield East Rotary Club:

April 18 - Employee Recognition Award— Sandra Larson

April 25 - Foundation Presentations

May 2 - Law Enforcement of the Year - Dave Haynes

May 9 - Gin Fizz— Home of Gary and Evie Stanfill (morning meeting)

May 9-11 Attn RV'ers - BERC Campout Quail Valley (1 hour North) \$30./nite. See Ron for details and to RSVP. Bar b q/potluck Saturday. Day campers welcomed.

**Worker Bees for 04.18.08**

**Flag Salute:** Frank Colatruglio  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Wayne Kress  
**Invocation:** Jim Clark  
**Reception Table:** Mike Burger and Mark Ramsey  
**Greeters:** Steve Gibbs, Bruce Keith, Bill Trivitt

**Supper Club:**  
Bakersfield College Renegade Room  
6 pm dinner  
*Tuesday Night April 15th*  
***RSVP is a Must:***  
Call Dave Haynes 393-7204

Got e-Script ??? See Wayne Kress

**Pasta Feast 2008**  
**May 17, 2008**



**Sell Your Tickets**  
**Invite your friends**

**Save the Date**  
**Gin Fizz Breakfast**  
**May 9, 2008**  
**Home of Gary and Evie Stanfill**  
**This is our regular meeting but at breakfast time**

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Johnson Jung	6
Rena Kay Schrader	8
Dan Urban	16
Terry Maxwell	23

**EXCEPTIONALLY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: DO NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, DISCUSS DAN GIORDANO'S CANDIDACY FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR WITH ANY PERSON OUTSIDE BERC!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This would be a violation of Rotary Rules and could result in the disqualification of Danny as a DG candidate.**



President Ron with his beloved Nephi. Where were you Nephi?



We spell pasta "A-P-S-T-A"



Not the biggest loser Debbie Moreno

***This week's Business:***

**Visiting Rotarians:** Ken Aiken, Taft Rotary Club (who has 58 years of perfect attendance!) Larry Tiller, Taft Rotary Club, Cecil Martin, Bakersfield Breakfast Club

**Guests**

**Barbara Spencer**, married to **Jack Spencer** for 55 years

**Keith Bishop** accompanied **Jack Saba**

**Bud Leedy** sat a few seats away from President Elect **Susan Leedy**

**Michelle Trivitt**, sitting between Pasta Feast Co-Chairs **Bill Trivitt & Michelle Brown**

**Sandra Larson** brought two friends from Thailand who are here with Friendship Force

**Birthdays:** **Dan Urban**

**Club Anniversaries:** **Melinda Westphal** 4/16 - 8 years

**Fines:** **Dan Urban** paid the price of \$50 for failing to arrange for coverage when he was unable to serve as a greeter on March 28.

**Remlap** wasn't satisfied with his \$5 fine for leaving his post as a greeter early, and his request for an increased fine was granted.

**Announcements:** Pasta Feast Co-Chair **Bill Trivett** called upon several BERC members to facilitate the PASTA FEAST Opening Cheer. Although we spelled "PASTA," **Karen McKinzie's** "A" came before the "P," resulting in cheerleaders holding cards reading "APSTA"

**Bill** introduced all the Pasta Feast committee chairman:

**Michelle Brown**, Co-Chair and Chair of the 50-50 Raffle, which is returning this year

**Pam Mahan & Dave Yurosek** – Cleanup **Robert Vining** – Equipment **Fernando Aguirre** – Restaurants **Gary Stanfill, aka Bud Leedy** – Heavy Equipment **Jean Watanabe & Barbara Tarpley** – Tickets **Sandi Schwartz & Carole Cohen** – Ticket Sales **Susan Leedy** – Beverages **Bill Lewis & Dan Urban** – Food **Greg Braun** – Cash Control **Kent Pryor** – Children's Games **Karen McKinzie & Carole Cohen** – Sponsors **Over \$30,000 raised to date!**

The beneficiaries of this year's Pasta Feast (in addition to BERF) are the Valley Fever Foundation and League of Dreams, which is a sports league for children with special needs.

**President Ron** presented Cold Stone Gift Certificates to the two remaining members of the losing team, **Debbie Moreno & Sandi Schwartz**.

**NEPHI IS BACK**, having been returned swaddled in a baby blanket and tucked in a basket carried by **Dan & Patty Giordano's** 5 year-old granddaughter, Sophia. **Ron** vowed to watch Nephi carefully, this time.

**Area Meetings****MONDAY**

**Bakersfield South**-noon

Holiday Inn Select

**Wasco**- noon

Veteran's Hall on Poplar Ave.

**TUESDAY**

**Bakersfield North**- noon

Petroleum Club

**Inyokern**- 6 p.m.

Bernardino's

**WEDNESDAY**

**Bakersfield West**-noon

Stockdale Country Club

**China Lake**-noon

Heritage Inn

**Shafter**-6:30 a.m.

Shafter Vet's Hall

Bakersfield Breakfast-  
6:45 am

Petroleum Club

Taft- noon

Jo's Restaurant

**THURSDAY**

**Frazier Park**- 5:30 PM

Los Finos Restaurant

**Bakersfield Downtown**-  
noon

Bakersfield Art Museum

**Tehachapi**- noon

Kelcy's Restaurant

**Delano**-noon

Kong's Dynasty

**Kern River Valley** - 6 pm

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**FRIDAY**

**Bakersfield East** - noon

EB Veteran's Hall



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*Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important.*