



# THE ROTO NEWS



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## The week's program: RI convention 2008

The program for the day was Susan Leedy discussing the International Convention in Los Angeles. Her first order of business was to fine George Palmer \$50 for not choosing Hawaii as the location. Hank Hinse was also fined \$50 for eating prime rib at the major donor dinner but blowing off the rest of the conference. She went on to outline the Rotary Mission and Vision, the polio eradication project, President Lee's goals, and the

Rotary International Foundation Goals. The Rotary mountain of books project collected 242,625 books which qualified as a world record in the Guinness Book of Records. She also introduced the incoming BERC officers and directors as well as our club's 2008-09 goals. Not content with the fines already levied, Susan dragged poor Dave Haynes out of the bathroom to fine him \$50 for his



President Susan "lands" at BERC

wife's new yellow car. She also fined Bill Gresco \$100 for attending his daughter's wedding in Bali. What a way to start the year!

### OFFICERS

- President: Susan Leedy
- Secretary: Michele Brown
- Treasurer: Steve Gibbs
- Sgt. at Arms: Hank Hinse
- Board Advisor: George Palmer

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Administration: Tony Ansolabehere
- Membership: Jean Watanabe
- Vocational Service: Sandra Larson
- New Generations: Linda Wright
- Outreach: Carole Cohen
- International Service: John Wilson
- Past President: Ron Biglin
- President Elect: Tom Burch

### Upcoming Events at Bakersfield East Rotary Club:

- July 18 - Larry Moxely - Mission to China
- July 19 - Christmas in July - See Carole Cohen
- July 25 - AIGE Cycling Team
- August 1 - Bakersfield Police Department - Fraud and Scams

**Worker Bees for July 18,2008**

**Flag Salute:** Dick Giles

**Visiting Rotarians:** Bill Gresco

**Invocation:** Quon Louey

**Reception Table:** Keith Bishop, Linda Wright

**Greeters:** Judy Rolph, John Wilson, David Yurosek



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Be Ready to Report.....(or else!!!)

**Christmas in July!**

Join our **6-Club Project** and bring an early Christmas to  
THE BAKERSFIELD RESCUE MISSION

**What:** Lunch Barbeque – Tri-tip, Chicken,  
Chili beans, & Salad

**When:** Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>  
Food Served at Noon

**Volunteers arrive at 10:00 a.m.**

**Where:** Bakersfield Rescue Mission – Located at:  
724 E. 21<sup>st</sup> Street Bakersfield, CA 93305

**We need volunteers from all clubs!**

Family and friends are encouraged to attend.

**For more information or to volunteer please call:**

**Carole Cohen 496-4882**

**Jason Cohen 321-0341**

**The Rotary Foundation Thought for the Week**

We make our annual contribution to The Rotary Foundation knowing that 50 percent of that gift will come right back to our District in three years to be used for humanitarian and educational programs chosen by us. This includes Ambassadorial Scholars, Matching Grants, and District Simplified Grants that may be used for projects in our local community.

The other 50 percent also benefits our district indirectly, because it is used to fund a variety of programs in which we can participate. The Rotary Foundation is *our* foundation. It is critical that we take ownership of it and do what we can to change and save lives, in our community and across the globe.

Become a member of the Bequest Society, be a Foundation benefactor, an Every Rotarian Every Year. Give yourself or a loved one a Paul Harris Fellow at Charter Night this year.

Want to know more? Ask Sandi Schwartz Rotary Foundation Chair for BERC.

*This week in Business:*

With new decorations, a new caterer, a missing president, and enough carrot cake to feed the city of Cleveland, George Palmer kicked off the first meeting of 2008-09. Larry Moxely gave the invocation and the “most senior” Cy Wade lead the flag salute. Tom Larwood and Jarrod McNaughton led us in our annual singing of the National Anthem. For some reason it actually sounded good this year.

Visiting Rotarians introduced by Christine Randall included Assistant District Governor Brad Henderson and Doyle Krause CPA, president of the south club.

Guests included: Kava Koop, Janice Varner, Nina Palmer, Oscar Baltazar’s children Ethan and Elise, Michele Brown’s daughter Kelsey, and Jennifer Guzman.

George Palmer introduced our new caterer Tom Mestmaker with Allstar Café. The All-Star Café is run by the developmentally disabled clients of the Kern Regional Center

Finally at 12:36 pm our fearless leader arrived with parachute and crash helmet still attached.

Carol Cohen announced that 6-club project “Christmas in July” on July 19<sup>th</sup> still needs volunteers.

Rotarian Birthdays: Lloyd Plank

Partner Birthdays: George Larson and Fredda Carpenter.

Anniversaries: Carol Cohen and Steve Richardson



Sergeant at Arms Hinse and a lot of carrot cake



Uhhhhhhhhhhh... were's Susan??

**Area Meetings**

**MONDAY**

**Bakersfield South**-noon

Petroleum Club

**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 Pinos Restaurant

**Bakersfield Dntwn**-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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“It’s kind of fun to do the impossible”

quote from Walt Disney