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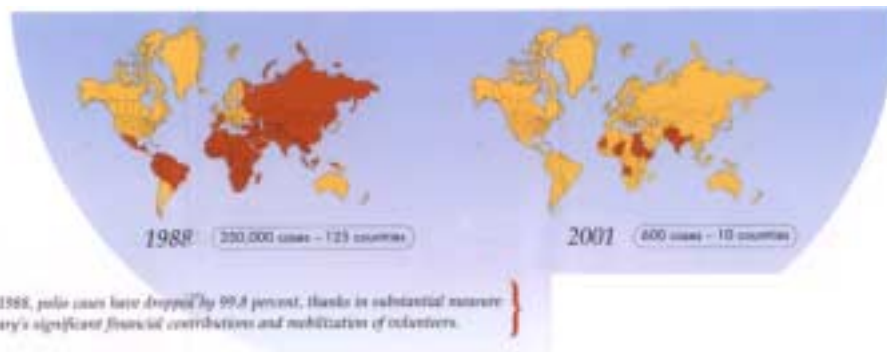


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From "Polio Plus" To "Polio Eradication"...Be A Part of it! Youth Service On A Global Scale!



Welcome To Bakersfield East!

Dick Henderson, Carolyn Jackson and Ron Bivins welcomed us to Friday's meeting.



Wayne Kress, sitting in a completely new spot at BERC is acknowledged for his 16th wedding anniversary.

President Kelly Giblin called the meeting to order with the sad news that former BERC member, Major David Patrick, had passed away and asked us to keep his wife, Effie, in our thoughts and prayers. **Cy Wade**

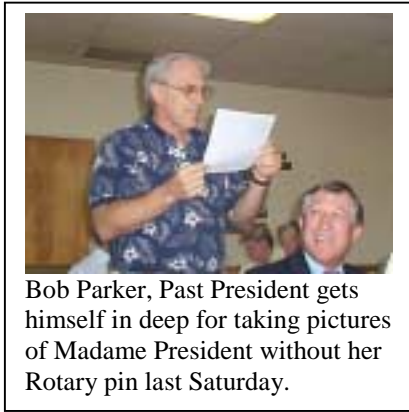
George Palmer, assisted by **Tom Burch**, led us in a particularly good rendition of *My Country 'Tis of Thee*. **Robert Vining** introduced visiting Rotarians David Milazzo, Suzan Hopper, and Jim and Lynn Rodal (who are here often enough to not be considered visitors). Guests joining us were



Jim Clark gets a "star" from Prez. Giblin for hosting the Interactors Fund Raiser.

Joy Gill and Linda Milazzo. Club guests were Jim Fitch, Melissa Bellinger, Judie Lewis, and Highland Interactors Tracie Knabe, Holly Thomas, Danielle Hernandez and Tara Knapp. Birthdays this week were being celebrated by Dian Jung and Patty

Giordano, and Leslie and **Wayne Kress** were celebrating their 16th wedding anniversary. Club anniversaries were being celebrated by **Duane Meyer, Steve Karcher** and **Billy Reed**. We sang to everyone.



Bob Parker, Past President gets himself in deep for taking pictures of Madame President without her Rotary pin last Saturday.

President Kelly announced the BERC Board

meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept 24th, and the Foundation Board meeting will be held Thursday, Sept 26th. **Gary Stanfill** announced that Supper Club will be Wednesday, Sept 25th at Marie Callender's, 3801 California Avenue, 6:00 for attitude adjustment and 6:30 for dinner. **President Kelly** thanked **Debbie** and **Jim Clark** for hosting the Rotaract



Lloyd Plank announces the Plank Foundation Golf Tournament- Oct. 7th Monday at the Bakersfield Country Club.

fundraiser, *Evening in the Tropics*, which was a rousing success. A wonderful time was had by all, and \$1,700.00 was raised for Rotaract, the largest amount raised in their history. **PP Bob Parker** thanked **President Kelly** for being a wonderful representative of our club, but then produced a photograph of our illustrious leader without her Rotary pin! She was duly chastised and fined herself \$25.00.



Past President Bob Parker talks about the Wheelchair Program & encourages anyone who wants to contribute to contact him.

Announcements.... **Lloyd Plank** informed us of the Plank Foundation Golf Tournament being held on October 7th at Bakersfield Country Club. There are still slots available for golfers. Last year's



Steve Pressley asks for sign ups and donations for the Mums for Mammography Fund Raiser.

tourney netted \$12,000.00, and the foundation purchased a Friends of Mercy Membership in memory of **Henry Yoon**, one of our club's founding fathers. **President Kelly** thanked **Lloyd** for the \$300.00 donation he and wife, **Patty**,

made to the Wheelchair Foundation. **PP Bob Parker** informed us that donations are being sought to purchase a container of wheelchairs to be provided to polio victims in third world countries. **Steve Pressley** told us that flowers for the Mums for Mammograms fundraiser should arrive on October 4th and delivery is available for those



Cy Wade, Charter Member gives us highlights of what members had to do to get their rosters signed 50 years ago!

who would like it. **Cy Wade** provided us with the *Charter Moment* and talked about the original days of BERC when new members were required to get their rosters signed at each member's place of business. He told us that at the beginning, craft talks were 10-15 minutes long and members provided information on their personal histories that included their backgrounds, family information, activities and interests. **Cy** felt that by providing



Dave Malazo presented a Polio Eradication Plan from the Rotary Foundation for 2002-03.

that information, we all got to know each other a little better. **David Malazzo** spoke to us about the Rotary International Polio Eradication Program, PolioPlus. The program was begun in 1985, and in 1988 the goal was set to eradicate polio by 2005. Funds donated this year will be matched by the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** and the **World Bank**.

David gave an example that if one purchased a Paul Harris Fellowship for \$1,000.00 and designated polio eradication as beneficiary, PolioPlus would receive \$5,000.00. He encouraged



Sandi Blaylock, Sergeant at Arms tried to get Scott Bigin in trouble, but fails...she was fined.

the meeting with...*Do something wonderful. People may imitate it....* Albert Schweitzer *pm*

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us to support this critical cause.

The program..... President Kelly reminded us that if we need to leave the meetings early, we need to inform our speakers, as they sometimes see the mass migration as disinterest. Dan Giordano introduced our speaker, Jim Baldwin, President of Bakersfield Association of Retarded Citizens. Helen Keller stated...*It's not enough to give the retarded a life; they need a life worth living.* With that in mind, BARC was founded in 1949 to serve the disabled and now has 500 participants who are achieving their maximum potential. They have a woodshop that manufactures and refurbishes pallets *by the jillions* and also produces Christmas tree stands (150,000 last year), surveyors' stakes, and spacing blocks for shipping. They have a specialty print shop that prints company logos on items such as shirts and cups for companies that include Time Warner and State Farm Insurance. BARC clients are paid a sub-minimum wage that is based on their productivity, and one way they use their funds is for travel. They have gone to Baja, California, and are now saving for their 16th trip to Hawaii. During a question and answer period, we learned that they operate on an annual budget of 11 million dollars, half of which is raised by BARC. Jim invited us to meet at BARC at a future date and tour their facility. President Kelly was delighted when the first donation to the Cell Phones from Rotary Program (known as CPR) was announced, signified by Linda Milazzo's cell phone ringing. She told our speaker that it was an honor to have such a distinguished Rotary supporter make a donation during his talk. Mme Presidente then presented Jim with books donated in his name to Williams School and closed

Attendance IS Important! Where To Make-Up:

Mondays: Bakersfield South Rotary Club
12:00 noon, Holiday Inn Select

Tuesdays: Bakersfield North Rotary Club
12:10 noon, Holiday Inn Select

Wednesdays: Bakersfield Breakfast Rotary Club
6:45a.m., Double Tree Hotel

Wednesdays: Bakersfield West Rotary Club
12:00 noon, Stockdale Country Club

Thursdays: Bakersfield (Downtown) Rotary Club
12:00 Noon, Bakersfield Art Museum,
1930 "R" Street

CLUB ASSIGNMENTS FRIDAY, SEPT. 27

Greeters: Toni Snyder, Ken Koop, Dean Carpenter
 Invocation: Jere Sullivan
 Flag Salute: Jack Saba
 Visiting Rotarians: Steve Gibbs

SUPPER CLUB

Wednesday, Sept 25

MARIE CALLENDER'S

3801 California Avenue

Wednesday, October 2

BILL LEE'S BAMBOO CHOPSTICKS

1203 29th St

Wednesday, October 9

GUMBEAUX'S

1804 Chester Ave

Wednesday, October 16

RED PEPPER

2641 Oswell St

Wednesday, October 23

PYRENEE'S CAFE

601 Sumner St

Wednesday, October 30

OLIVE GARDEN

1701 New Stine Rd

(Reservations appreciated)

Attitude Adjustment 6:00 pm Dinner 6:30 pm

RSVP:

Dave Haynes 393-7204,

Jack Spencer 336-0469

Pam Mahan 397-0568

VACANT MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS

Automotive Painting & Repair

Fire Suppression Management -

City/County/State

Food Service

Investigation – Banking/Private/Government

Psychology

Schedule for The Rotary Club Of Bakersfield East

Fri. Sep. 27	Dr. Davis - Cancer Research
Fri. Oct. 4	Kern County Film Commission (Barry Zoeller)
Fri. Oct. 11	David Youngblood - Sonitrol
Fri. Oct. 18	Stars Theater
Thu. Oct. 24	Lamb Feed (Rich Harger's Home)
Fri. Oct. 25	Dark
Oct. 25-27	District Conference (Universal Studios)

Invite YOUR Prospective Members!