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Happy Sad Bucket Returns!

Bo and Mona have brought back the Happy/Sad dollar tradition! In their first two weeks, we've had mostly joyful donations!

- ❖ Mike Kyle is back! The passing of Ann, they many weeks of "incarceration" at Valley Care are behind him, and he's back to help with Shamrock photography!



- ❖ Ted Hoffman is back! And he is now a GREAT grandfather to baby Jackson!
- ❖ Mona's grandson announced his engagement this weekend
- ❖ RB2 had a wonderful SoCal weekend with grandchildren AND, his three year old grandchild (who had been very sick as a newborn with intestinal issues) is thriving
- ❖ RB2 wine barrel furniture was featured at the McGrail winery...and Wine Time Art took in \$4,500 in orders!
- ❖ Kamal dropped in a fiver to celebrate the USA Women's soccer victory!
- ❖ Pam is celebrating the yorkie-poo 3rd birthdays of her BFF Ricky ...and Dr. Greg Millers' "Buster", Ricky's sibling.



- ❖ Janine is thankful for discount bowling passes to entertain her boys this summer.
- ❖ Dr. John Ichiuji is proud of his son in dental school, and daughter going to George Washington, but is distracted by a large brushfire heading toward his Danville home. Exchanging texts with his wife, he asked her to save the golf clubs...
- ❖ Don Price celebrates one of his twin daughters has graduated from South Carolina! The other needs an additional semester of tuition.
- ❖ Rich Bennett is happy to have his sweet-heart Kathy moving in with him this week. He's not SAD that her son is part of the addition to the home, but

By Stacey Shurson

we'll check back with Rich in a few weeks...

- ❖ MC is cheered by this Happy/Sad implementation, as it reminds her of the "happy talk" bucket that she had at her club back East. A great way to get to know your club-mates.



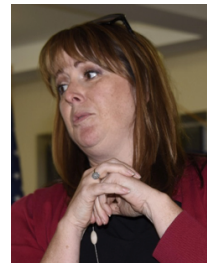
- ❖ Don Sullivan (and Kathy are very



tickled with the kindness of Kamal, who took a delightful photo of Kathy in her Mini-

cooper, and had beautiful copies made.

- ❖ Linda Smith is proud of the Dublin Police Services for their work (not the FBI's) in tracking the Vallejo kidnapping suspect from a cell phone dropped in a Dublin home invasion. Good job!



- ❖ President Bo is happy to have a birthday July 14...and to celebrate with daughter and granddaughter. Icing on the birthday cake: winning at the grand opening of the Del Mar track!!
- ❖ RB2 was very sad to have to call 9-1-1 when an elderly lady fell on the neighbor's uneven sidewalk. He was even sadder when he learned from State

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Mona Dunlop Co-President • Bo Carvacho Co-President • President - Elect • Larry Damaser Past President
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Kamal Della Foundation • Rich Bennett International Service • Michael Kyle Seargent at Arms • Rich Boschetti MC Kulick Co-Chair
Membership • Don Price Secretary • Melissa Strah Community Service • Ron Mazur Club Service • Lee Denlinger Vocational Service

Actually, most of the news is happy, says Stace

- ❖ **Ben Johnson** has been Pam Johnson's (no relation) guest for the past few weeks. Ben, of Edward Jones Investments, comes from a family of Rotarians and he is looking to join us very soon. Please welcome Ben. Presidents Mona/Bo have a goal to bring club membership to 56 from current 46. RB2 and MC are the membership chairs this Rotary year.
- ❖ The District 5170 governor visits us **August 18**
- ❖ September: look forward to evening club meetings at FJL (in addition to our Tuesday noon meetings at the Ranch). No speakers, but we have cocktails and a private room! 😊 Now THAT's happy news. **Fireworks income estimated to be \$12,000** each for Dublin Rotary, Wells Marching Band and DPIE! **Thanks Bill and Tim!!** Gross revenue for the two booths was about \$97,000, down slightly from 2014.
- ❖ Dublin Rotary is sending an outstanding high school student leader to RYLA camp Aug 2-7!



announced.

Buzz-kill Thoughts from Don Sullivan

- ❖ Betsy Ross is a myth
- ❖ Area code 809 (Santo Domingo) is a scam
- ❖ The current US flag design comes from a 17 year old who designed it for a class project...and didn't even earn a good grade for it
- ❖ The Star Spangled Banner was underwhelmingly signed into National Anthem status by FDR after 1300 entries. Yankee Doodle was deemed too childish and Hail! Columbia! too pretentious.
- ❖ "Hony Moone" phrase comes from the 16th century and perhaps from a quote from Thomas Blunt that declares new marriages to begin as sweet as honey but fade certainly as the moon.
- ❖ Algerian wine is impossible to find in our Valley, and a bottle of Aquavit must pass the Equator twice to get to the Dublin BevMo.

Paul Harris Recognition



Don Sullivan and Parvin were recognized for annual \$1,000 donations to the Paul Harris Society! President Janine has earned her 3-gem PHF pin for contributing over \$4,000 since joining Dublin Rotary. **Kamal** was honored for his ongoing donations of over \$2,000. Past President Larry also received his single sapphire pin. Kamal will pass out pledge cards very soon...Club goal is \$14,200 this term!

Lobstermania Returns! October 3, 2015 – 6 p.m. Mercedes Dealership

Bob Tucknott declares dictatorship status in the return of the 8th annual **Lobstermania**. He promises 400 guests and \$20,000 income if he has to



boil it out of us! Each Rotarian is responsible for selling a table (\$600). Call Bulldozer Bob if you need help closing the deal! Tickets available next Tuesday!



Uncle Mike's Word of the day: DUFFER (noun): A person that sells



outlandish junk; inept, unskilled (as in a golfer)

Guests People's Choice Wine Chef Event winner: **Kamini Georgallis** of Kissos
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The **Oktoberfest**, originally dreamt up to replace Lobstermania, will be a social (instead of a fundraiser) and will be held in El Monte RV's showroom. Date to be



Vernita is devoting the latter part of her career to helping the little guy! Especially as she can help you obtain a lucrative government contract for your small business.

She is not only an author of *Get the Cheese, Avoid the Traps: An Interactive Guide to Government Contracting*, but a trailblazer in her own right. A 25 year government employee veteran, Vernita left her position as Certified Project Manager (specializing in Construction) to begin providing business development and government contracting education and training services to corporate (B2B) and government (B2G) entities and their stakeholders. She is an industry expert in diversity, inclusion and government contracting.

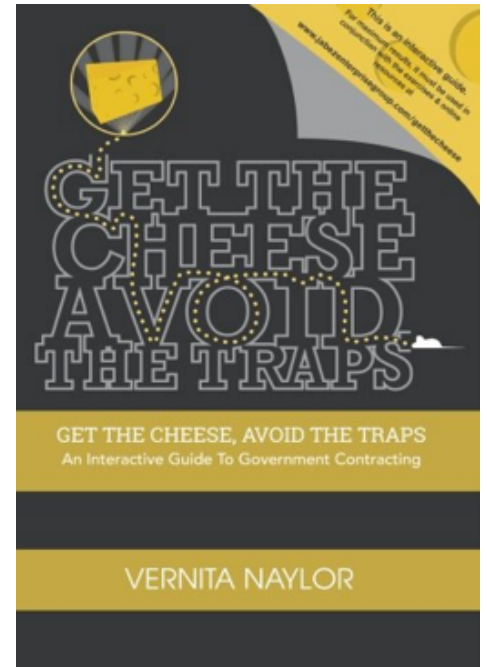
Vernita loves reading and research! She recommends reading these books as examples of great businesses that began small:

- ❖ Bill and Dave (the Hewlett Packard story)
- ❖ Any book by Warren Buffet
- ❖ Her own book, *Get the Cheese* (for sale after the meeting).

Inspired by her reading, Vernita developed these tips for S>M>A>L>L> businesses:

- S:** SEE what others (in your field) are doing
- M:** MEASURE what you are doing against the competition
- A:** ACQUIRE additional information from both inside and outside sources
- L:** LISTEN to both internal and external sources
- L:** LEARN, and you cannot be thinned skinned about this!

Vernita will be teaching business students at UC Berkeley in the fall. Dublin Rotary was fortunate to get a glimpse of the material she'll be passing on to future leaders!



Dublin Rotary Board Members for 2015-2016

Minutes Board of Directors Meeting Rotary Club of Dublin July 6, 2015

(Note: This is a condensed version of not yet approved minutes. Editor)

Present: Pam Johnson, MC Kulick, Rich Boschetti, Kamal Della, Alan Brown, Ron Mazur, Rich Bennett, Bob Tucknott, Don Price, Lee Denlinger, Bo Carvacho, Mona Dunlop, Patty Pringle, Melissa Strah

Call to Order: at 5:30 PM by Co-President, Bo Carvacho

President's Report – Bo Carvacho and Mona Dunlop

Review and Approval of June Minutes – The minutes were accepted as presented via email prior to today's board meeting.

2015 – 2016 Budget – The 2015-2016 budget was approved via email prior to today's board meeting. (Copy Attached)

Financial Report – Parvin Manuchehri Parvin's reports indicated the following account balance – Club's Account Balances (as of 6/30/15), Operating Account: \$15,177.47, Lobster Account: \$875.00, Future Vision Account: \$100.00, Top Chef Account: \$575.00, Sponsorship Account: \$0.00 Parvin reported that 2015/2016 dues will start being collected in July.

Membership – Rich Boschetti and MC Kulick: Evening Mixer - MC reports that we are moving forward with a Mixer tentatively planned for September 25, 2015 @ 5:30 PM which will be our first evening meeting. This event is to attract folks; quite possibly, a younger crowd in the community that may not be able to attend our regularly scheduled meetings during the day. The location has not been determined yet, but there was suggestions of possibly having this at Frankie, Johnnie and Luigi Too. Don Price volunteered to host this event at El Monte RV if it was held in October. The cost to attend was suggested as \$10.

\$40 Non Eaters – Because Bo and Mona were able to get Dublin Ranch to lower the minimum number of lunches being purchased weekly to 20, the need to charge non eaters \$40 per month may no longer be necessary. This \$40 per month policy was approved by the board previously. Ron Mazur made the motion to eliminate the \$40 per month non eater fee. Lee Denlinger second this motion and the proposal was approved by the board.

Youth Services – Alan Brown Alan presented a Youth Services Itinerary outlining the Student of the Quarter Recognition program, the Student of the Year Recognition program, the Rotary Speech Contest, and the RYLA camp as well as the Dublin High School Library Book Speaker Gifts.

Student of the Quarter – Dublin High School, Valley High School, and Valley Christian will participate and will be recognized quarterly, on October 20th, January 19th, and April 19th with the Student of the Year being recognized on May 31st.

Speech Contest – The plan presented called for the Speech Contest being held on January 12th, however this was suggested as being too early after students returned from their Christmas break. An alternative date was suggested as January 26th.

RYLA – Rotary Youth leadership Awards (RYLA) encourages leadership in youth by recognizing and rewarding deserving 11th grade students who are chosen to attend RYLA as an 'Award' for their past and present leadership and service activities. These select young people attend an all-expenses-paid camp where they are inspired by a diverse group of exceptional speakers, make life-long friends through fellowship activities, and discuss the ethical and social issues of today. Alan reports that this camp which we sponsor is tentatively scheduled for October 3, 2015 which has not been confirmed by District 5170.

Library Books for DHS – The Order for additional books will be done on August 19th, as school is not in session. It was also suggested that when contacting the Dublin High School librarian that we also present him a budget to work with for the books he is requesting.

Dublin Student Computer – Lee Denlinger inquired about the Dublin student who was the recipient of the Rotary Donated Computer that Kinley Wong was mentoring. Lee reminds the board that the program required a 5 Hour Mentoring Program which Kinley had volunteered to conduct with the recipient of the computer. However, the concern was that Kinley may not be doing this *continued on page 5*

because of his club membership resignation. Alan Brown agrees to follow up and to report back to Lee and the Board on this.

International Service – Rich Bennett Because Rotary International Matching Grant programs take 12 to 18 months to process at a minimum it will not be possible to complete our own Matching Grant program this year. The club budget has allocated \$3,000 of District Designated Funds to go towards an International Project but Rich reports this will have to be put towards another club's International Project, not one that was exclusive to the Dublin Rotary Club. Rich reported that he is investigating 2 possible programs one in India the other in Mexico, and Lee Denlinger added a suggestion of joining the FUN Rotary Club's project. Rich indicated that he wanted to join a project that would lend itself to possibly sending Dublin members to observe and assist with the project.

Rotary Foundation – Kamal Della Kamal reports that new club Rotary Foundation Goal is \$14,200 and that the Polio Plus goal at \$500. New pledge cards should be available by August 18, 2015.

Dublin Foundation – Chris Kinzel Chris was not present, however, several members of the Dublin Foundation Board were present who informed us that the balance of the Foundation Account is in the neighborhood of \$200,000 and that we should be proud of the returns we are achieving through our investment committee.

Vocational Service – Lee Denlinger October is Vocational Service Month and Lee indicated that she was planning to be a speaker in October to inform the club of this Avenue of Service.

New Business

Dictionary Project – The board has decided that we will again distribute dictionaries this year. We have roughly 740 dictionaries on hand and we will be purchasing roughly 120 additional books directly from the publisher to complete the project. Patty Pringle will follow up on acquiring the additional books needed.

Oktoberfest Fundraiser – The board was presented the idea that we eliminate the Lobstermania Event in October and replace it with Oktoberfest. Bo informs us that she has done a preliminary inquiry and that the idea was that it would be a family event to be held at the Mercedes Dealership in Pleasanton and that it would involve Folk Dancers as entertainment, there would be family friendly entertainment with beer, wine, and traditional Oktoberfest food available for purchase. The idea was presented because for many, the Lobstermania event was too labor intensive to manage, and that soliciting for silent auction items was too difficult to obtain for two separate events. Considering the financial returns of the past Lobstermania it was being suggested to drop this event and to replace it with this Oktoberfest.

Lobstermania – Bob Tucknott was surprised that nobody had discussed this proposal with him prior to presenting the idea of dropping the Lobster Event. Bob felt that he put in a lot of hard work into creating and managing this event in the past and is adamantly opposed to dropping Lobstermania. He would head up this year's event and show the board and membership that this is a profitable event if managed closely. Bob volunteered to chair the event if guaranteed complete control over the expenses. He agreed to reach out for help on this event from folks that were not involved in the Top Chef event. In essence we would have two fundraising crews, one for Top Chef, and one for LobsterMania. We would only provide Live Auction Items for this event so folks weren't worried about coming up with silent auction items for both events. Don Price made the motion that we continue the LobsterMania, 2nd by Rich and approved by the board.

The Oktoberfest idea was still deemed a good suggestion and determined that it could also move forward but that it would not be a fundraiser but more of a social event for the club.

Bylaw Change – The board was presented two suggestions for changing the members of the board of directors. After much discussion, and heated debate, the board ultimately approved the following changes. The board is not authorized to make the suggested changes to the bylaws, but will present to the club our recommendation for the entire club to approve. The suggestion will be presented to the club on July 7, 2015 and the club will vote on July 21, 2015. The motion to change the bylaws was presented by Lee Denlinger and 2nd by Bo Carvacho and approved by board. As a result of the Board of Directors' (BoD) action on July 6, 2015 the following amendments to the club's Bylaws were approved by the Board:

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David Stark: "No Reason to Leave the TriValley at any age"

By Stacey Shurson



David Stark is the Public Affairs Director for the Bay East Association of REALTORS®. He helps community leaders, the media and the public understand real estate issues and works to include the REALTOR® perspective in the development of public policy. Prior to joining the Bay East staff in 2005 he worked for more than a dozen years in municipal government managing housing and community development programs for cities in both southern and northern California.

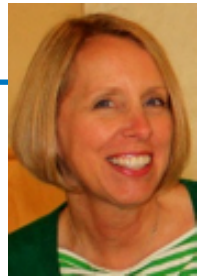
David, self-professed "Humorless Toad", actually kept Dublin Rotarians rapt as he flipped through slide after slide of information that made all property

owners in the room happy...or at least relieved...about our investments in the Valley. Dublin is the smallest city of the 5 tri-valley burbs (San Ramon, Pleasanton, Livermore and Danville were included in the stats). However, Dublin has enjoyed the largest growth in the past decade. In 2014, Dublin had 503 home sales, and only TWO were under \$500,000! 129 were over \$1,000,000.

David sums up the desire and demographics of Dublin in two words: WHOLE FOODS. Apparently, the "Whole Foods Factor" is well-known in realtor circles as a driver in sales. (Livermore has the "Sauced Factor"... not quite as prestigious! 😊) Low supply and high demand continue to drive pricing up in 2015. While Dublin had the 503 sales in 2014, only 200 homes have been on the market in the first half of 2015 which means 400 for the year.

His interest in housing and community development issues extends into his personal life. Mr. Stark is the Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Pleasanton Gardens senior housing complex and he served for eight years as a member of the City of Pleasanton Housing Commission chairing the Commission twice. Last year, he was President of the Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce (And did a FANTASTIC job, adds Bob Tucknott.)

Mr. Stark and his wife Anne live in Pleasanton. They are active members of the Tri-Valley Masters Swim Team and restore and race vintage motorcycles.



Actually con't. from page 2

Wines was here to accept her trophy and receive our thanks! Actually, the second presentation!

"CASA" High School interns volunteers Erika and Haley joined John Anyosa's table today.

By-Law Amendment passes!

Voting member qualifications have simple juggled: We've dropped President -Elect-Nominee, Sergeant-At-Arms and Major Event Chair as voting position. They have been replaced by: Membership Chair, RI Foundation Chair, and "Open Director At Large".

Sour Grape Minion Candy for the Presidents!

Is there a message in this gift from Larry to BoMona? Larry also passed on golf hole sponsor flags and a recognition trophy (for the further-flying booths) from the Chamber of Commerce.



Happy Sad con't. from page 1

that his own side walk needed to be repaired and the cost (a few THOUSAND dollars) would be from his pocket!

- ❖ Visiting Rotarian Russ Darby is happy that he's closing escrow on a Dublin



home this week...and sad to hear RB2's story because his own sidewalk has similar tree root issues!

- ❖ Pam is happy to have her brain back! She'd lost her iPad Mini and was devastated...but it's been found!



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Officers: Drop President Elect-nominee and Sgt. at Arms as members of the BoD. **Directors at Large: Drop** Chair of the Major Events Committee as member of the BoD **Add** Chair of the RI Foundation, Membership Chair and one Director at Large that may be appointed by the President. These Officers and Directors at Large shall be voting members of the Board of Directors for a term of one year. Additionally, the name New Generations Service is changed to Youth Service.

Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws:

Article 2 Board

The governing body of this club shall be the Board of Directors consisting of:

Officers: President, President-Elect, Vice President (Immediate Past President), Secretary, and Treasurer shall be voting members of the Board for a term of one year:

Directors at Large: There shall be eight Directors at Large: Five Directors shall serve as Chairs of one of the Avenues of Service Committees: Community Service, International Service, Vocational Service, Club Service, and Youth Service. Additionally, the Membership Chair, the RI Foundation Chair and one Director at Large, designated by the President, shall be voting members of the Board for a term of one year.

Approved by the BoD July 6, 2015. In order for these Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws to take effect, the club must now vote on them as provided for in Article 16 Amendments "These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting, a quorum being present, by a two-thirds vote of all members present, provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been mailed to each member at least ten (10) days before such meeting. No amendment or addition to these bylaws can be made which is not in harmony with the standard Rotary club constitution and with the constitution and bylaws of RI."

Adjournment – Bo Carvacho

There being no further new business, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM

Respectfully submitted by Don Price, Secretary Rotary Club of Dublin

Respectfully slightly condensed by Chris Kinzel, Editor, Shamrock

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