



PINE CONE

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The DEMOTION of JOHN TOUCHETTE



John & Casey Downham greeted guests and helped set the festive mood for the Demotion party. Vickie Perez, emcee for the evening called the meeting to order and the fun began!

Mike Trinca provided the invocation and Mike Snyder lead the pledge. Casey Taylor was exceptional with the microphone.



Kent Rasmussen led off with a great rendition of John's induction ceremony. We think two new members joined the Club, but no one is really sure what happened.

Justin Miley and Mauney Roethler, AKA Hans and Franz, were hysterical in their "girly man" skit.



John Backues, AKA John Touchette, and Brian Gray, AKA Kiley Patterson, both plus a few years attempted a work out – but really just took a walk down memory lane.



Finally, David B e r m a n n , AKA Richard S i m m o n s , showed up and gave John Touchette a real workout!



Thank you to all the players; Kent, Shelli, Rick Landess, Justin, Mauney, Kiley, John Backues, Brian and David for a job well done! Vickie, Kathleen and Carlton also did a great job with the decorations.



The Year of John Touchette

The 2008 – 2009 Rotary year started off with local evacuations due to wild fires. President John was able to organize the club and provide much needed phone equipment to the Town’s emergency call center. Club members came together to help each other as well as local citizens and emergency personnel. Justin Miley’s team organized a tri-tip meal that was served to emergency personnel at the Senior Center.

In spite of the economic slow down, Rotary was still able to donate thousands of dollars to local groups, close to \$10,000 to the Rotary Foundation and grew the club to 90 members.

Our Club also sponsored the winning candidates for both the Quota Club’s Boys of Paradise event and the Boys & Girls Club Chocolate Queen contest. Club members became crazy about Facebook.com and the bell was stolen 5 times – an increase of 400% over recent years!



John Touchette thanks his club members

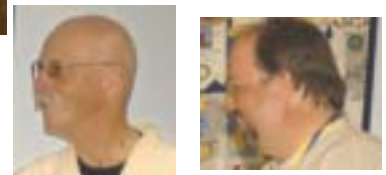
President John thanked the members of his Board, Tim Elloway, Trevor Davis, Trudi Angel, Maureen Wisener, John Downham, Bob Irvine, Arnie Hartjen, Scott Stambaugh, Mary Bellefeuille and Pam Gray.



Team leaders, Brian Corbit, Justin Miley, Donna Buzzard, Art and Annie Pollock were also thanked for their tour of duties.



The program committee received applause for providing guest speakers. Bob Irvine, voted chair of the committee while absent from a meeting, was assisted by Jim Johnson, John Gliha, Donna Buzzard and Brian Gray.



Bill Mannel and Kathy Maxwell received thanks for their work “encouraging” members to donate to the Rotary Foundation.



A new position last year was that of Public Relations, which Casey Taylor took on with great zest. Not only does Casey get Rotary recognition in the press, Rotary logos are popping up all over town! President John thanked Casey for her efforts.



Kiley Patterson chaired the International Committee. President John thanked Kiley for the countless hours she has spent working on our International Project.

Membership chair, Cheryl Almeida, with help from Brian Gray worked hard to attract new members. President John thanked them for their efforts and encouraged everyone to bring in a new member.



Scholarships were awarded and a group chaired by Trudi Angel selected Camp Royal students. Trudi has been working on these projects for years and President Touchette thanked Trudi for her work.

Our Interact Club also continues to thrive under the excellent direction of Trudi Angel and Vickie Perez.



John thanked Trevor Davis for organizing the distribution of dictionaries to all the 4th graders on the Ridge.

President Touchette thanked Bob DiPietro for organizing the Past President's group, Dean Fender for keeping our website up to date, Dave Schott for taking over the Skyway Clean Up project, Sherry Swim for handling lunch tickets throughout the year, Curtiss Landers for doing an excellent job as the Badger and Mike Viale for handling the bar services we provide.



Bob Gustafson was recognized as "most likely to steal the bell"!



President John took a few minutes to thank his wife, Deborah, for her help throughout his Presidency.



New Club Leadership

With the turning of the calendar, Rotary has new leadership from the individual club President's, Board of Directors, District leaders and International officers. 2009 – 2010 District Governor, Earl Kilmer, installed our new President, Mary Bellefeuille, at a District event on Saturday, July 11 in Corning.

The 2009 –2010 Rotary Club of Paradise Board of Directors are; President Mary, President-Elect Bob Irvine, Parliamentarian John Touchette, Secretary Arnie Hartjen, Treasurer Scott Stambaugh, Trudi Angel, John Backues, Trevor Davis, Time Elloway, Brian Gray and Casey Taylor.



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Kathy instructed Pres. John that the clues to the hunt were to be found by answering questions about the club.



Various members held the clues leading to the Past President's plaque. Then it was onward to the discovery of the missing bell!



Happy Birthday!
JULY

Dean Fender – 1 John Touchette – 16 Tom & Debbe Gagné – 5 Rob & Julie Anderson – 15
 Rick Crabtree – 2 Dan Hansen – 21 Vickie & Noel Perez – 10 Scott & Carolyn Steele – 17
 Cheri Hovey – 3 Roger Bylund – 28 Bill & Patty Mannel – 12 John & Sharyl Backues – 28
 Scott Stambaugh – 10 Mark DiDuca – 31 Trevor & Heather Davis – 15
 Tom Gagné – 12

Happy Anniversary
JULY

SCHEDULE & LOCATIONS FOR MAKEUP MEETINGS

| MONDAY | Orland | 12 noon | City Gates Cafe 1165 Hoff Way, Orland |
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| TUESDAY | Oroville Sunrise | 7:00 a.m. | The Depot, 2191 High Street |
| | Oroville | 12:15 p.m. | The Depot, 2191 High Street |
| | Chico | 12 noon | Elks Lodge, 1750 Manzanita Ave. |
| | Colusa | 12 noon | Colusa Golf & Country Club |
| | Red Bluff | 12:15 p.m. | Elks Lodge |
| WEDNESDAY | Durham | 6:00 p.m. | Butte Creek Country Club, Chico |
| | Marysville | | 175 Estates Drive Peach Tree Golf & Country Club |
| WEDNESDAY | Corning | 12 noon | Timbers Steak House Rolling Hills Casino |
| THURSDAY | Chico Sunrise | 6:45 a.m. | Canyon Oaks Country Club, 999 Yosemite Drive |
| | Yuba City | 7:00 a.m. | Eagles Nest |
| | Sunrise | 12 noon | Memorial Hall |
| FRIDAY | Red Bluff Sunrise | 7:00 a.m. | The Feedbag |

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P.O. BOX 820, 95967**

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Paradise Elks Lodge #2026

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