

ROTARY CLUB OF HAYWARD

High Gear



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The Hayward Rotary Club Cordially Invites You to



Ed Mullin's Demotion Barbecue

Monday Night June 23, 2008

at the "Maita Cull Canyon Hideout"
17031 Cull Canyon Road C.V.

Tickets are \$35.00 Per Person
6:00 to 7:00 PM Happy Hour
7:00 to 8:00 PM Dinner
8:00 Showtime *Casual Dress*



Yes, I (we) will be at the Ed Mullins Demotion Barbecue

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Guest Name(s) _____

Number of Tickets _____ @ \$35.00 each = Total Enclosed _____

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20519 Cambridge Ave,
Hayward, CA 94541
Hayward Rotary Demotion

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Hayward Rotary Club **June 13th**
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Monday, May 19, 2008: President Ed Mullins called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM. **Paul Wallace** led us in the Pledge. **George Famous** led us in singing *God Bless America* and *Hello*, accompanied by **Anna Powers** on piano. **Dale Vigil** provided the Thought for the Day: If two people share an apple with each other, they still only have one apple each. If two people share an idea with each other, they end up with two ideas.

Ed Bullok introduced our visiting Rotarians: A warm “hello” to Bob Tucknott – Electrical Contractor - Dublin. A big Hayward Rotary “welcome” to Jeanne Parson, Clark Streeter’s niece, guest of **Bob Sakai** (with **Ed Avelar**); and Karen Chubb, wife’s best friend who helped at the Rodeo, with **Tom Trampetti**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS: President Ed announced that at last week’s Board of Directors meeting the major item of business was a discussion of the 2008-2009 membership billings. Your Board has a plan that will be presented in detail in an upcoming edition of the *High Gear* and discussed with the membership on June 2. The bottom line is that our costs of being a Hayward Rotarian does not change from the \$1000 -\$1100 which has been communicated to all new members since at least 1992.

President Ed reminded us that we are dark next week for Memorial Day. He then thanked the following members who came out for **Let’s Go Fishing** on Thursday and supported our Club. Then, every one of them worked the Rodeo. Thank you to **Becky Avelar, Ed Bullok, John Caldwell, Mary Caldwell, Rob Cook, Mona Diamantine, Dave Elkins, Tom Granty, Chuck Horner, John Hunter, Phyllis Moroney, George Pacheco, Anna Powers, Bob Senna, Tommy Trampetti, and Doug Vierra**. This is Service Above Self – this is what it means to be a Hayward Rotarian. Thank you also to St. Rose for donating 250 breakfasts to the event.

We then got a **Rodeo Roundup**. Concession revenue is \$49,184 this year; 2007 was \$48,514. Concession profit is \$14,200 estimated this year; last year was \$15,550 - final bills are not yet in hand. The program advertising and booth advertising were down considerably. Tips were a bit over \$1,700 which included what Club Members put in to cover their food and beverage. Baskets were passed at the meeting for those who didn’t have a chance to put in their food money, raising another \$208. This event was a lot of hard work and we managed to have a little bit of fun in the process. 56 members worked both days and brought 9 family members or friends with them, 17 worked one day, and 15 were officially pardoned. 21 members will be billed for their non attendance at \$75 per day missed. There are so many hard



Looks like there are TWO “fast Eddies” in Hayward Rotary.
President Ed Mullins and Ed Avelar



Larry Lepore and Heidi Finberg

workers that **President Ed** couldn’t mention all of them. **Mona Diamantine’s** West Booth gets the Unofficial Award for operating a Sauna (it was just a hot booth). **Heidi Finberg** gets the 10-Gallon Sweat Award for being constantly on the move. **George Pacheco** gets the Spider Award for his camping trailer’s livestock kept inside. **President Ed** thanked the committee chairmen - **George Pacheco & John Wilma** – who are the backbone of the operations. Top Hand Awards, with a certificate suitable for framing, go to **Heidi Finberg**, and **Larry LePore** for keeping us turned on and tuned in. **George Pacheco** gave special mention to non-member **Kent Faulk**, who broke his jaw the Monday prior and still worked the whole weekend. Special thanks were also given to Bob Tucknott for always pitching in, **Becky Avelar** for her organizational skills, and compliments to HARD for keeping the grounds so meticulous. A good time was had by all!

Have you visited our website lately? www.haywardrotary.org



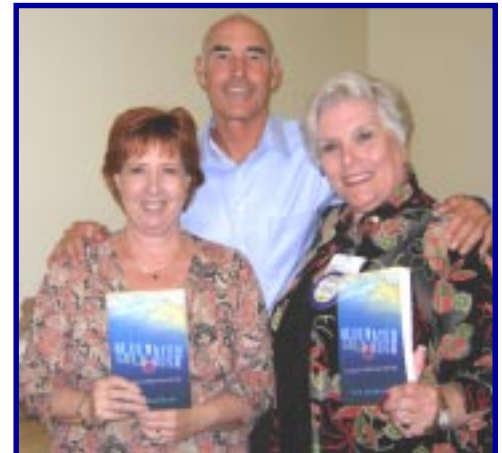
Tom Gratny invited us to join the 105th Memorial Day Event at the Lone Tree Cemetery next Monday, May 26, beginning at the 11:00 AM. Festivities will include an air show, classic car show, the Hayward Municipal Band, and a BBQ – the best party in Hayward. Congratulations to **George Famous**, who announced the birth of another granddaughter, Kathleen Famous. Baskets were passed to collect donations for her education fund, to be matched by **George**. **Jim Wieder** invited us to participate in the Hayward Chamber Golf Tournament on Monday, June 2. Contact the Chamber Office for more information. **President-elect John Caldwell** announced that several members will be attending the District Conference in San Jose this Wednesday.



FINES & FOOLISHNESS: **Keith West** paid \$200 for his birthday, Club anniversary (21 years), and wedding anniversary (31 years with wife **Marilou**). **Jim Phillips** followed suit with \$200 for his birthday, 26 years with the Club, and 24 years with wife Melissa. **Dennis Butler** paid \$20 for his birthday and 21 years with the Club. **Bill Roberts** and **Larry Ratto** paid \$10 each in celebration of their birthdays. Club anniversaries were celebrated for **Ed Bullok** (15 years), **Rob Cook** (25 years as of June 1), and **Reid Lindblom** (2 years), who each paid \$10. We wished a happy anniversary (at \$10 each) to **Heidi & Brett Finberg** (14 years) and **Jim and Rhonda Wieder** (15 years). Sadly, no one claimed an orphaned rubber ducky, who was in pretty good shape after being run over by a water truck at the Rodeo.

TODAY'S PROGRAM: **John Caldwell** introduced today's speaker, **Tom Kendrick**, surfer and sea urchin diver extraordinaire. Tom has been a professional diver for 22 years. He began swimming with sea monsters while looking for secret surf spots off the Channel Islands. His love affair with the ocean and surfing began when his family moved to Hawaii when he was 11. Tom's family later moved to Santa Barbara, where his sea monster adventures really began.

In the mid 60's, a study was done by the Scripps Research Institute which showed that the kelp beds off the southern California coast were being killed by hungry sea urchins. Thus began the demise of the sea urchin. Fortunately someone figured out that they could be sold to Japan for their roe, which is considered a sushi delicacy, and the California sea urchin fishing industry began. In 1978, Tom happened to be in the right place at the right time and was asked to help on a boat one day, for a whopping \$160/day. Within 6 months he had bought his diving gear, and within a year had bought his first of three boats for \$3,000.



Speaker Tom Kendrick with
Beth Ehrlich and Phyllis Moroney

He has dived all along the California coast and Alaska. He found the best sea urchin fishing off the Farallon Islands, and moved his operations to Bodega Bay. Currently Tom is retired and is working with the Hollywood sharks on developing a screenplay of his book, *Blue Water Gold Rush*, with the hopes of making it into a motion picture. Tom presented a stunning slide show, with some incredible underwater photographs. Wow – those sharks look hungry. There were lots of great questions, including a story from our own sea urchin diver **Charley Plummer**. Tom is a great story teller, and we appreciated his sense of humor.

Next meeting: Dark on May 26 for Memorial Day. **Monday, June 2** – Speaker Jessica Brunelli – 14 year old Formula One driver – what a rush.

1:30 PM - Meeting adjourned - "Rotary Shares – Share it Today".

Hayward Rotary Club Calendar

- May 26** **No Meeting – Memorial Day Holiday**
- June 2** **Jessica Brunelli, 14 years old and a Ranked Formula One Driver.
Introduced by John Caldwell**
- June 16** **Israeli Deputy Consul General Ismail Khaldi.
Introduced by John Caldwell**

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