

THIS WEEK

Methinks thou willst doth be entertained! The Redlands Shakespeare Festival presents its favorites from the pen and stage of the Bard.

LAST WEEK

JACKIE JOHNSON from Guide Dogs of the Desert informed the club about the amazing work her group does training guide dogs for the visually impaired and blind. One of their clients, SALLY, shared her story about losing her sight and the difference that having a guide dog makes in her life. And after a trying time eating lunch, JENNIFER PINDER, wife of **JIM PINDER**, was allowed to remove her blindfold.

NEXT WEEK

San Bernardino County Sheriff ROD HOOPS will be on hand... hopefully not to do reconnaissance for the District Attorney...

ABOUT TOWN

The phantom Rotarian of Center Street has graduated to a cane, as evidenced by a recent stroll up Eureka Street. Huzzah!

Instead of using a cane as a crutch, **JIM ZIEMER** can be seen being led by a small pooch through Smiley Park, doubtless trying to locate all of the fire hydrants in the city. Perhaps Jeff Frazier could provide all Rotarian dog owners with a map of local hydrants until the dog park becomes a reality.

While many Rotarians celebrated religious holidays over the last weekend, some members turned to their own form of religion Sunday afternoon. **DON MCCUE** even won \$6 as the result of his "church" trip.

And speaking of religious holidays, you haven't lived until you've experienced an adult-themed Easter egg hunt, and been nearly knocked to the ground by the surprisingly competitive **BILL HATFIELD** and members of his clan.

Can you name the Rotarian in this photograph? Oh, high school seems so very, very long ago!



ALLAN'S AVENUE

Our Secretary just recently put out the attendance report for our Club as of March of this year. The report reveals some good and less than desired results. Although all of us are well aware that one of the important "dos" of Rotary is attendance at Club meetings, some seem to be having difficulty accomplishing this requirement. Ralph's report indicates that a quarter of our membership has found this issue difficult to uphold, and I am speaking of those that have attended or failed to make-up at least 50% of our meetings. Perhaps the potential for make-ups, which is designed to assist with that requirement, is not readily apparent to these individuals, or even to the Club as a whole. Attending other club meetings is the most logical and recommended way to do a make-up, but there are other ways, including the counting of any committee meeting a member may attend, the participation in work days (such as April 24th), working sponsored events (the bike ride), or attending district, national or international meetings. In addition it is now even possible to make-up on-line (ask Ralph about this one). Members also have been given more time to do their make-ups; it used to have to be done within a week. The good news I almost forgot to mention is that almost a third of our Club has perfect attendance for this year, and about another quarter have attendance numbers between 75% and 99%. This may seem trivial to some, but the concept that forged this idea was built on the advantages realized as members worked together to provide needed services, and the value that provides in the building of good friendships through fellowship.