

TODAY

Assemblyman BILL EMMERSON, serving Redlands and surrounding cities, will bring us the news from Sacramento. There is certainly no shortage of attention getting matters to occupy his attention.

LAST WEEK(S)

On December 20 we had the pleasure of being entertained once again by the Redlands High School Chamber Singers. As usual the performance was wonderful; however, we may have to show our appreciation in a more subdued manner in the future, as the applause kept waking up **PAT HOAG**. Apparently **Pres. STEIN** thinks he works for the government, since he took last Thursday off, though it was not within shouting distance of an actual holiday.

NEXT WEEK

As of press time, your editor did not have information on next weeks program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 26. Red Wine & Blues. Our major fundraising event is fast approaching. All who have made commitments either for auction items, donations, or ticket sales need to make good on them post haste.

District 5330 - Get your motor running for the Presidents Advance pre PETS on Saturday January 26 at the Ontario Convention Center. Dist Gov **MARK HOWISON** will give a supercharged break-out session.

The Rotary Ride - April 5 according to **KEVIN CORREIA**, or March 25 according to the Redlands Rotary web site. Volunteers are needed. It will surprise all to imagine the effort required for a "fun" ride. See Kevin Correia to help out.

June 15-18, 2008, Rotary International Annual Convention. Hopefully, **LYNDA SCHAUF** will be able to arrange travel accommodations for Noon Rotarians willing to make the arduous journey to distant Los Angeles. Travelers, be sure to get your vaccinations!

Among the many raucous parties of the Christmas/New Years period, perhaps the wildest was the small function to anoint the wonderfully rebuilt and remodeled new home of **KEVIN** and **DREW CORREIA**. If **KEN** is looking for a contribution to the Foundation, I think it's too late. Hopefully all the guests left to the north, as a DUI checkpoint was noted one block to the south.

SHARING THE GIFT OF ROTARY THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome to 2008! Have you made your resolutions for the New Year? Here are a few suggested Rotary Resolutions for you to consider:

Sponsor a new member - grow the community of Rotary and introduce a friend or business acquaintance to Redlands Rotary.

Get Involved - participate in a committee, participate outside regular club meetings, be the first one with your hand up when asked to volunteer. Make Service Above Self one of your credos in 2008.

This is the year that you invite at least 8 more friends, family or business acquaintances to Red, Wine and Blues, to join you in this important event.

Did you have a significant event in your life this year? Maybe a child, grandchild, wedding, business success, travel or other fun things? Share your joy with the President. Happy times should never go unnoticed.

Every New Year's resolution should include a fitness goal. Maybe yours will be to ride your bicycle in the Rotary Ride? If you won't be riding, you can spend unneeded calories serving in many different roles as a volunteer.

To each of you, from **ROBIN** and I, Happy New Year and Best Wishes for a Grand 2008.

Ken Stein

On the other hand, **ED MALESKY** may be sporting a new tan and ought to pay handsomely for spending too much time in a warm clime.

Is it true that just before the first of the year **DICK ROMO** and **DOUG McADAM** were spreading unsolicited and free tax advice on how to obtain a substantial end of year tax deduction - make large contributions to their CPA retirement plans. Creative thinking, guys. And despite the holiday season, **CLETE HYMAN**'s name was heard being taken in vain over the holidays - seems the wife of one of our members got her one and only driving ticket from him - when she was 18 - how many years ago is that **PETE**? I hope she shows you more forgiveness. Only 28 days and counting until **HODGES** is retired - but man is he getting the press, with a picture on the front page of the *Facts* on New Year's Day.