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The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by President Janice in the beautiful Beverly Manor of the Grand Tradition.

The opening song was Our National Anthem, led by George Hitchens. Abe Oliveras led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and to our Country. The opening Prayer was offered up by Jack Rockwell.

VISITING ROTARIANS;

None

GUESTS:

Lee "Hacksaw" Hamilton, Guest of Walt Parry (and speaker)

Fred Mitchell, Guest of Dale Mitchell

Mark Frederick, Guest of John Chambers

Vi Dupre, Guest of Gordon Tinker. On behalf of Fallbrook Healthcare District, Ms. Dupre presented President Janice a beautiful crystal paperweight.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

Dr. Ed Stika was out of town to his wife's 65th school anniversary and asked Dr. Doug Clements to fill in this week. Dr. Doug. said the only member he knew that was under the weather was Derwin Williams who went to the hospital with chest pains. They looked him over and decided to put in two stints. Derwin was at the meeting; he looked great and told me he felt great.

BIRTHDAYS:

Bob Tavano	June 20th
Abby Elston	June 21st
Bill Walters	June 24th
Rich Levering	June 29th
Steve Smith	June 30th

ANNIVERSARIES:

Gordon and Deborah Raver	June 20th	56 years
Dick and Elizabeth Goodlake	June 22nd	48 years
Pat and Janet O'Leary	June 23rd	37 years
Doug and Rose Lynn Clements	June 24th	43 years
Dale and Dawn Mitchell	June 24th	21 years
Gordon and Carla Tinker	June 29th	47 years
Chuck and Rena Godshall	June 30th	53 years

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AVOCADO REPORT:

1947 bins were picked yesterday, about 1 1/2 million avocados. Hass are wholesaling for \$1.50 lb., #48's. Time to fertilize.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President Janice thanked the Membership for helping to make this a great year. She called each member of her board to the front and presented them with a gift and thanked them for their work.
- President Janice announced she had chosen Jim Landes, this years Club Secretary, to be The Rotary Club of Fallbrook's Rotarian of the Year.
- Highway Pickup will be June 27th at 7: am.
- Frank Baca announced that the Ticket Web Sight for Lobster-on-the-Green was up and running. While we will accept cash and credit cards, we prefer checks. Checks are much cheaper for the club (credit cards cost the club about \$5 per transaction).
- Bonnie Lentz reminded us President Janice's Demotion Party is this Saturday, June 27th. Held at the Fallbrook Golf Club. Dress is casual and will be a lot of fun.
- Don McDougal said we are being challenged (kind of) by the Village Rotary Club to enter a 4-man team to race them across the lake. They already have their team. This is at the 4th of July party at the Grand Tradition.
- Larry Rothacher said that all of last year's sponsors plus a few more have re-upped for this year's LOTG.

HAPPY TALK:

Jack Rockwell continued his bird story. It seems the bird got "groomed", wings clipped and all. Jack let him out of the cage for a few minutes and the bird flew out of the cage to the highest top of one of Jack's trees. This, of course, made Jack very sad. (Or was that mad). Anyway Jack applied some of his best salesmanship on the bird and Jack turned his back a few minutes and when he turned back, the bird was back in the cage. End of story.

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OUR PROGRAM:

Lee "Hacksaw" Hamilton



Our Speaker, Lee "Hacksaw" Hamilton, knows everything about sports. Jack Wood read his bio, which was quite extensive.

Hacksaw was the voice of the Chargers for 11 years here on San Diego Radio. He broadcast over Radio 690.

Lee has been in a sports environment all his life. His whole family has been involved in or around sports, playing or broadcasting.

He felt that the Padres were a very sad team this year with all the injuries this year but they have a depth of good to very good 2nd level players on their farm teams. While not all will be Major League players, some will and should be able to help the franchise next year.

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Hacksaw felt the Chargers would be better this year than last year. If they are to go all the way they better do it soon as these players aren't getting any younger and have only one or two years at their peak time.

He also talked about college football. He feels that the NCAA will be going after USC for the Reggie Bush problems and his agent. He also feels the schools should sue the agents and those who pay players under the table should be barred from even coming on the campus of schools or speaking to the players.

There was a long Q and A period with many questions from the Club Members. Hacksaw doesn't think the Chargers are going to move in the next few years. There isn't any money for new stadiums at this time. The threat from L.A. won't be much. The "owners" have the land but not any money.

Hacksaw thanked us for asking him to speak and hopes we ask him back.

This is my last News Letter. I have been writing The Rotareview for about 5 years now and I want to sit back and enjoy the meetings.

While I've tried to get some help for about the last 3 years no one volunteered. I understand that when the word went out that I was quitting they received 14 volunteers which means I'm very bad and the members don't want me to change my mind or it will take 14 people to take my place. I hope neither is correct. Anyway for the most part I've had fun. Thanks to you all. Also those who have asked me to include them in the E-Mail, you should contact our new President, Tom Koehler for his permission as I did when asked to do so. You know who you are.

Sincerely,
Pat O'Leary