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The program today is in the process of being developed, so since the CIA and the FBI are both involved. It will have to remain a secret. Hint, no terrorists were injured making up the program.

Last week, the winner of Tuesday's election, Richard Pombo, who spoke in his usual plain talk way to a standing ovation was here to explain a lot of things. It seems the mind set on the part of the average member of the Lodi Rotary Club is essentially that of the run of the mill Republican in the district. One of the most relieved people as regards the outcome of the election: Pete McCloskey, who doesn't actually live on this district in which he ran, can go home and relax again.

I would like to say a few things about Richard and the role he has played in the Congress, but since this is strictly an apolitical club bulletin, I am constrained to say little or nothing more except for this terse editorial concerning his major victory Tuesday: Hoorrraaayyyy!!!

The program for next week was supposed to be the runner-up in the Miss Greater Galt Beauty contest, but she has a commitment at the Wilton Chamber of Commerce Tractor Pull and can't be here. It is a shame because I understand she had the answer to the problem of world hunger and I am certain the people at Rotary International would have loved to have read my notes regarding all the pieces of that puzzle as she would have so laboriously and lovingly put together.

Future programs are as follows, but not necessarily in this order:

The Chairman of the Isleton Crawdad Festival will be here to tell us how he took a little crustacean and made it into the cause (cont. page 2)

celebre in which 100,000 Northern California people made the trek to Isleton in spite of the fact there is only room in that little burg for ten thousand individuals standing shoulder to shoulder. Talk about a successful fund raiser.

Speaking of which, the Zinfest raised something like \$4,000 for us. Apparently selling wine was against the rules this time so there were a few people we could have expected but didn't see on that account.

The latest findings (from England this time). *It is the refutation of the opinion that wine is bad for you which was an argument against the finding that wine is good for you which argued the notion wine is bad... is that wine is good for the heart and that men tolerate at least five times as much, quantity-wise, than women and continue to benefit even if they have a little too much. Their recommendation (loosely stated) is that men do well drinking some alcohol every day and women do better if they have a drink only once or twice a week. I know a couple of people, who, if longevity is based solely on wine consumption, will live practically forever. In one case I heard about, a man did finally succumb, but it took the undertaker all afternoon to wipe the smile off his face.*

In the near future, we will have an ARCO executive here to talk about gasoline prices...not from the standpoint of what it will cost you to take a lengthy vacation in your car, but what a struggle it is for him and his dear, sweet wife, to have to make do on less than a hundred million a year when all his friends in rival companies are living in the lap of luxury with some real money. Bring Kleenex.

The time is here to start thinking about the kick-out of [Markie Chandler](#). I think the idea of taking him out to sea on a one man raft is a little harsh so it would be better to shelve that, but there were some ideas bandied about by the committee that sound like real fun and, if done right, could be relatively safe provided they thought to outfit the "victim" in protective clothing and the necessary orthopedic braces.

President-elect [Mike Smith](#) had earned the Hero of the Lodi Rotary Club a long time ago with all he has done for the kids in this community, not to mention his dedication to all the Rotary sponsored benefits to the various charities here and there. He is a rock and will deserve the kick-out of the decade. The rule is, the better the president, the more elaborate the kick-out. That's why it took so long to get [Virgil Suess](#) dumped in the pool, clothes and all, you can just imagine the fun we are gonna have with Mike. [Doug Holck](#): Start the weight-lifting program now; we may need to have you in tip-top shape.

Tune in next week for the latest news.