

# OEA UPDATER

June 2., 2008

**Next Meeting:**  
**June 4, 2008**

**Speaker:**  
*Greg Chase / Resource Graphics*

**Chair:**  
*Lili Pang / Pang Hansen Creative Group*

**Greeter:**  
*Patrick Bolan / Hold Time Music and Marketing*

**Tickets:**  
*Christian Nielsen / Alltek*

**Sheriff:**  
*Steve Ferree / Mr. Rooter*

**Business Reports:**  
*Sandy Hendricks / Ovation Design & Remodel*

**Pledge:**  
*Christy Aiken / N&C Service, Inc.*

**Warm welcome to today's guests:** PK Hanson, Ray's wife, and Warren Smalley/Sonoma Tek Web Development & Project Management, guest of Mike Weidman.

**Today's speaker:** Ray Hanson / Pragma Ventures, Inc./Robbinex

**Today's chair:** Bob Wolcott / Pragma Ventures, Inc./Robbinex  
Bob has been an OEA member since 2002; Ray has been a member since 1988! Bob loves being an OEA member for the transactions we make amongst us, for the weekly dealing with experts in so many fields, for the great food and the even greater friendships! Bob treasures the relationship he and Ray share. With Ray's mentoring, Bob's learned so much and he's been able to go after the smaller business while Ray focuses on the bigger business.

1988 was a pivotal year for Ray: he met his wife, PK; he joined OEA; he joined the Royal Rosarians. Wow! Ray talked about the Royal Rosarians, the "Official Ambassadors of Good Will". The foundation (it was an association, now it's a foundation, which means all donations can be written off) started 150 years ago and held the first Rose Festival in 1907. They are 100% volunteers and they provide scholarships for all kinds of worthy efforts (Ray's favorite is the Band scholarship—a big part of his happy childhood). His favorite part of being a Royal Rosarian is the smiles he brings to the faces he greets: kids in the hospital, parade goers, visitors from other countries.

## Next Week's Speakers:

Speaker: Christy Aiken / N&C Service, Inc.

Chair: Jeff Smith / Bob Thomas Auto Body Carstar

June is here!!! The month belongs to Dads and Grads... here are a few ideas to help you get the perfect gift for your Dad or Grad:

A vacation.....call Christine Deegan/Travel Matters

Cool stuff.....call Hal Hallmark/STUFF

A fun ride.....call Chris Casteel/Prestige Limousines

A new suit.....call Ken Daswani/Daswani Tailors

### PRIZES/TICKETS:

**Sacha Basho and Bob Miller** donated tickets which went to **Griff Hampson and Sacha Basho**.

**Ray Hanson** brought in a bottle of vino which went to **Cindy Kasch**.

**Raffle:** The pot is getting bigger—it's up to \$95.

**Early Bird** was **Dick Osborne** and he was early and took home \$5!

### TESTIMONIALS:

**Ted Miller III** thanked **Mike Weidman** for his quick computer resolutions.

**Ted also** thanked **Mike McKelligon** for the ongoing tire fixes.

**Ted also** thanked **Prestige Limousines** for helping to make the Visitation a fancy success—the limo even took the babysitter home in style!

**Rob Charlton** thanked **Ken Daswani** for doing a great job at making him look so snappy in his new suit.

**Bob Miller** thanked **David Darnell** for helping his mother in law with some electrical problems she was experiencing.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**New member announcement:** Stan Catherman and Mike Abrahamson of Omega Staffing were officially voted into the association! Welcome back, Stan!

Hal Hallmark announced that we are bringing back, **Roving Reporters!** Everyone has been paired with another member and you will go to each others' place of business and 'interview' them. You have within two weeks to accomplish this. You'll then report back to the group with your findings. An excellent way for everyone to really learn about the terrific businesses that make OEA the strong group we are!

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sacha Basho of the **Special Events** committee: our Annual Auction, which open to guests, will be on July 19th. The committee will be meeting after the lunch on June 4th.

Ted Miller III of the **Membership** committee reminded us that the Auction is a great opportunity to bring potential OEA members.