

THE EYE OPENER

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REGULAR FEATURES

Word of the Week

Ramblings of Rick

*Humor of Mureleen by
the minister of humor*

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Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better
friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

THIS WEEK – We meet at Sunrise Bistro

“If you’re going through hell, keep going.”

- Winston Churchill

From Your Editor:

Everyone these days seems to be trying to stay healthy. That is why we were surprised to read on AJC that a bottle of Naked green machine juice smoothie has more sugar in it than about 5 Krispy Kreme original glazed donuts. Yum!

Something to remember (leonard):

It’s time to bring you up to date on the online dating world where these terms are used: Benching (when you keep someone on the back burner as an option), submarining (person you are seeing disappears and then reappears randomly as if they had been just below the surface), ghosting (ceasing all communication with someone you are dating), stashing (person you are dating refuses to introduce you to anyone in their lives) and zombieing (when someone disappears from your life and then comes back from the dead with a text or social media interaction).

From the NY Times:

Talk Banking to Me:

“Bankspeak” by Franco Moretti and Domnique Pestre, analyzes shifting language patterns across six decades of World Bank annual reports. The study finds a steep rise in abstract bureaucratese like “governance”, “framework” and “priorities” as well as a spike in “self-congratulatory terms” like

“outstanding”, “key”, “stronger” and “better”. (The verb “disagree”, the researchers note, does not appear even once.

TEO is on vacation next week

Rotary Calendar		Team Leader	Event	Location	Speaker	Subject
September 27			Breakfast	Sunrise Bistro		
October						
	11		Breakfast	Sunrise Bistro	Michael Barrington	International project
	14		WC Community Work Day			Joseph to provide information
November						
	8		Breakfast	Sunrise Bistro	Bob Romero	Wheelchair Foundation & LN4
	10		Noon Club Poker Tournament with Loaves and Fishes	St Isadore's Church Danville		

Rotary



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

THE HUMOR OF MURELEEN

Editor's Note - Mureleen – another week and the humor is tinged with philosophy....

GEORGE CARLIN'S MASTERPIECE

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider freeways but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time.

We have more degrees but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, yet more problems; more medicine, but less wellness.

We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.

We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life.

We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbor.

We conquered outer space but not inner space.

We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul.

We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice.

We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less.

We've learned to rush, but not to wait.

We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion; big men and small character; steep profits and shallow relationships.

These are the days of two incomes but more divorce; fancier houses, but broken homes.

These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one-night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill.

It is a time when there is much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom. A time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or to just hit delete.

Remember: spend some time with your loved ones, because they are not to be around forever.

Remember to say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

Remember to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember to say, "I love you" to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all, mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment, for someday that person will not be there again.

Give time to love, give time to speak! And give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

And always remember: Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

WORD (Phrase) OF THE WEEK

PALADIN

What does it mean?

1 :a trusted military leader (as for a medieval prince)

2 :a leading champion of a cause

How do you use it?

An aged paladin, somewhat uxorious and always penniless, he was a typical knight errant, whose wanderings led him all over Europe, and planted him successively on the thrones of Jerusalem and Constantinople.

The Team Assignment List

SET UP RICK CALLAWAY

GREETER ALL

SPEAKERS ALL (COORDINATE WITH RICK)

COMMUNITY ACTION PROJECTS

** HOMETEAM COORDINATE THROUGH MIKE BALL