



PWR NEWSBRIEF

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Member Spotlight Russ Fujii

15 years ago the Wilkie's, the Harrington's & Linda & I spent 2 weeks in Italy. Our first stop was the Grand Hotel Tremezzo on Lake Como, beautiful. Next up Venice but a train strike had us hiring a driver last minute & the driver was great. In Venice, we had a guided walking tour around Venice & experienced the culture & the history. San Gimignano, a walled city with many towers & a farm house in the Tuscan vineyards came next. Pisa was the setting to celebrate the Harrington's anniversary with sunset photos & a great restaurant on the Ocean. Next Linda & I traveled to Assisi to see the Franciscan Monastery & where St. Francis is buried the next day we drove to Scandian for lunch with our Norwegian friends, Bjorn & Kjesti, Harold & Aasa and our host, Frabizo & his family. Great local food & wine! We found our way back to the Farm House in the vineyard at night, a real challenge. On to Rome. The highlight was a personal tour of the Sistine Chapel without the general public. So beautiful to see it without the crowds. A great time with good friends, good food, good wine & great memories.



So far this term we have presented checks totaling \$17,200 to local charities helping children in our community!!!



PWR Happenings...

Our International Grants Committee is chaired by Christine Cahill-Reams. Just as our GRC receives an annual budget & vets local programs for funding our IGC receives a budget & supports programs at an Int'l level. We can fund directly but prefer to work through RI's Global Grant system. Matching grant at the district & the Int'l level of Rotary compounds our Club's money by 3.5 times! So, by spending our \$14,000 budget we are effectively putting \$49,000 to work. Successful projects address community-identified needs & are sustainable after initial funding. We participate by providing skills, expertise & financial support. We just funded 2 early education programs & are working on a water purification project in Uganda, an engineering program in South Africa & an anti-violence project in Baja. We welcome project suggestions from the club.

What is 10 = F. in B.
Answer to last week's MNMC:
5 = miles in the Camptown racetrack

KEY DATES & Reminders

September 6 – Club Meeting - **Del Paso Country Club** –

September 10 – PWR Board Meeting – 7:00am AT & T Building, Watt Ave

Monday, Sept. 16 – **Our first softball game** – Grant Park, 205 21st St.

Saturday, Sept. 21 – **25th Annual California Brewers Festival** –
Discovery Park - sign up to help out that day and sell your tickets!