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Craft Talks: Sandra Burkhart and Steve Dato





relationships and interactions with partners, reselllers, and vendors. He transitioned into Sales and Client Management, which opened up a new career path yhat path led to Axxess where his passions for local business, local schools and the community have come together in perfect synergy.

Steve holds a 1995 BA in Biological Sciences from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Today's Craft Talks feature two New Generations members. New Generations memberships are recent to our club in an effort to attract younger, dynamic persons who are as dedicated to service and fellowship as other Rotarians

Sandra Burkhart is Senior Coordinator for the Western States Petroleum Association, serving the Coastal Region in State Marine and Waste Issues. She has been with WSPA since August 2011, and is responsible for managing WSPA activities associated with oil and natural gas production, both onshore and offshore, policy development and all regulatory activities related to coastal production. She's also responsible for California marine issues and serves as the principal spokesperson for WSPA in the region.

Sandra has a 2000 BA in Economics from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. She was also honored as a 2007 Pacific Coast Business Times 40 Under 40 winner.

Steve Dato is a Client Manager at Axxess Ventura, focusing on Marketing and Advertising

He has a technical background and enjoy working with people. He formerly was Product Manager for Intuit Inc. where he managed all point-of-sale solutions from terminal hardware and software applications to

2015-16 RI President Selected

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran, a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo, Western Province, Sri Lanka, has been selected by the Nominating Committee for President of RI in 2015-16. Ravindran will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.



Ravindran said his top priority for Rotary will be to increase membership, which he called the bedrock of any organization. "The emphasis on membership has to continue with focus on the younger generation," Ravindran said. "Additionally, we must seek to attract the just retired and experienced people into Rotary."

A Rotarian since 1974, Ravindran has served Rotary as a director and treasurer of RI and as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation. He chaired the Schools Reawakening project, sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts in Sri Lanka, which rebuilt 25 tsunami-devastated schools, benefiting 15,000 children

Offsite Meetings of July 31, Aug 7

The Ventura County Fair displaced us again, but that didn's preclude the membership from having interesting programs. The first meeting was a lovely catered lunch on the grounds of Community Memorial Hospital, where CEO Gary Wilde outlined the ongoing construction of a brand new hospital.

The August 7 meeting started at the Channel Islands Yacht Club for a delightful lunch, followed by a guided tour of the fascinating Ventura County Maritime Museum which held artifacts and artwork.

A special thanks to those who coordinated the offsite meetings. It takes alot of effort to seamlessly coordinate the logistics of these meetings.

Today's Program

Craft Talks

featuring

Sandra Burkhart and Steve Dato

Introductions: xx
Rotary Moment: Roger Case
Fining: Greg Kincaid

Future Programs

Aug 21 Mark Watkins, Ventura City Manager



The hospital set up a tent, provided tables and delicious, healthy food for our large group. The speaker Gary Wilde, was introduced by Gary Wolfe, a CMH board member.



RoseAnn Hill shares a joke with Albert McCartney before the presentation.



CMHS CEO Gary Wilde shares the massive effort to bring a new state-of-the-art hospital to Ventura.



Members, including Ron Calkins, Sheila Fatarelli, Mary Kay Doubek and Wayne Bruce listen intently.



Sporting his tools-of-the-trade, Dr. CAry Savitch shares lunch with his wife, Pamela.



The lunch at the Channel Islands Yacht Club featured an invocation.



Jeff King admires a painting of boats in heavy seas.



"And All I Wish is for a Tall Ship..." Hank Chandler and Neal Andrews admire a maquette.



Rosa Lee Measures, Dave Loe, Christina Rusr and Jeff King look on as a docent explains a painting.



Courtney Lindberg volunteers in assembling 850 backpacks for needy Ventura Unified students.



Steve Girtsman, Scott Patterson and Kellye Patterson put the final touches in the stuffed backpacks.



Upcoming Events

Board Meeting August 15, 11:45 pm



District 5240 Conference October 18-20

9:00 am to noon **Embassy Suites Hotel** San Luis Obispo

Register at www.rotarydistrict5240.org

July Birthdays

Wayne Bruce, Aug 01 Kristin Taylor, Aug 05

Harald Wulff, Aug 15 Dave Wallace, Aug 16 Saurabh Bajaj, Aug 18 Dave Loe, Aug 19 Sylvia Cheatham, Aug 20 Eliane DeBlauw, Aug 21 Erik Feingold, Aug 23 Daniel Holmes, Aug 24 Andrew Soter, Aug 31

July Anniversaries

Ron Bamieh, Aug 13 Ron Calkins, Aug 14 Lee Measures, Aug 20 Eliane DeBlauw, Aug 21 John Williams, Aug 26 erry Schaeffer, Aug 28



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