



ROTARY SPOKES

*The Rotary Club of Ventura
Weekly Bulletin*

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Meeting of May 25, 2011

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HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY, LEO!!!

Introductions:

Rosa Lee Measures led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer; then we joined Bob Schilken and Jim Spencer in the singing of America the Beautiful. Rosa Lee welcomed visiting Rotarians and members acknowledged their guests, including many members of the Board and operations of the Boys and Girls Club. Once again Terri Adams performed as Sergeant at Arms.

Announcements:

Roast after Ice Cream? Yes, that is true. Sign up now for the Demotion Party June 21st at the Crowne Plaza. Cocktails will be available from 5-6; the buffet will open from 6, with make-your-own sundaes available at 6:30. Dave Loe will serve the Roast at or before 7:00.

Happy Birthday Rotaract! Vice-President Nicole



Nellis invited us to attend the one-year anniversary of the Rotaract Club of Ventura, June 6 at 6:30 at the Wedgewood Banquet Center.

Wine Tasting: Dale Jaedtke noted that Ojai West Rotary is

holding its Ojai Wine Festival June 12 at Lake Casitas. He has tickets. Rotaractors will be helping at the event.

Happy Dollars:

Warren Lovell was happy to announce that he is forty pounds lighter than he was when he joined Rotary. (He joined in 1981!) Hutch commented that "if you take care of your body it will last you the rest of your life."

Rotary Moment:

Ed Summers talked about going to the Boys and Girls Club Conference in New Orleans, which coincided with the Rotary International Conference. He enjoyed the camaraderie in New Orleans, and as a Rotarian enjoys the sharing and bonding



with others in the community.

Fining:

Irreverent as usual, Ron Bamieh used this opportunity to express his grievances. He fined Tom Naylor



because Ron doesn't care what's in Tom's garage, Larry Emrich for shaving his mustache without permission, Dale Jaedtke for always wearing casual clothing, Neal Andrews for taxes, Dave Shea for fining

lawyers, (eating his own as Ron put it), Curtis Cormane for Notre Dame beating USC, Rosa Lee Measures for being behind the Past Presidents idea and sitting together, Steve Doll for always talking about his 50- mile bike rides and making Ron feel lazy, and Andy Soter, because when Andy did the fining session, Ron's guest – a non-member of our club, won the prize over Ron – a member. (This happened over a year ago! Come on, Ron, let it go!)

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Meeting Programs & Assignments

Programs

Program Chair: PP Larry Emrich

June 1, 2011

Special Olympics – Ventura County

Peggi Preston

June 8, 2011

Craft Talks

Larry Rasmussen & Gary Young

June 15, 2011

Introductions

Chair: Chris Brashears

June 1 – Ron Bamieh

Rotary Moment

Chair: Barbara Asbell

June 1 – Jeff King

June 8 – Ajai Keshap

Fining

Chair: Todd Binkley

June 1 – Todd Binkley

2010-11 Officers and Directors

Officers

PresidentHutch Hutchinson
 President ElectLynda Girtsman
 Secretary Jim Deardoff
 Recording Secretary *Larry Emrich
 TreasurerJim Newton
 Assistant Treasurer *Mark Sauer
 Immediate Past PresidentLarry Emrich
 •Non-Voting Position

Avenue of Service Directors

Club ServiceMaria Berntson
 Community ServiceDennis LaRochelle
 International ServiceAlbert McCartney
 Vocational Service Scott Patterson

Elected Directors

2nd Year 2009-11:

Ellyn Dembowski
 Erik Feingold
 Sonny Shah
 Juan Soto

1st Year 2010-12:

Barbara Asbell
 Dale Jaedtke
 Kristin Taylor
 John Williams

Program

The Ventura Boys and Girls Club, presented by Dr. Jamshid Damooei, Ph. D. Professor of Economics at CLU

Dr. Damooei presented detailed research he did that shows the positive impact of the Boys and Girls Club in Ventura County.



He generalized that the work of the club generates economic growth and tax revenue, saves government expenditure (government agencies including police do not have to get involved in negative activities), supports family income (keeping

kids busy and out of trouble, and lets parents get better education or maintain jobs), and creates a better future for boys and girls in the county. He stressed that, "There is a clear social cost if we disinvest in our community." Evidence supports that organizations like the Boys and Girls Club help lower teen pregnancy, reduce teen crime, reduce obesity and related diseases, and strengthen and promote teen volunteerism.

The Boys and Girls Club serves almost 13,000 families each year in Ventura County. Dr. Damooei highlighted figures in various charts that showed a great return on the money invested. He said that each dollar invested brings back \$11.72.

Final Thoughts by Hutch: Henry Ford said, "Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs."



Prez Hutch, looking very presidential, counting down the number of meetings he has left

Membership Corner

June Birthdays

03 – Jeanette Lombardo
09 – Larry Emrich
13 – Steve Chadbourne
 Warren Lovell
14 – Hank Chandler
15 – Jack Wood
22 – Curtis Cormane
24 – Virginia Lynch
25 – Rosa Lee Measures

June Anniversaries

03 - Larry & Joan Marie Bird
06 – Hank & Fran Chandler
07 – Roger & Sandy Case
 Lynda & Steve Girtsman
13 – Kristin & Richard Taylor
16 – Andy & Dolores Soter
25 – John & Gayley McConjica II
26 – Richard & Linda Hatcher
28 – Saurabh & Madhu Bajaj
30 – Larry & Elaine Rasmussen

Congratulations to ALL!



Other Membership News:

The board regretfully accepted the **resignation of Robin Calote due to work demands**. Robin is the President of Ventura College and has been an active member of our club since August 2005; she was sponsored by Rosa Lee Measures.

Robin's resignation is effective May 31, 2011. In appreciation of her service to the club, the board voted to make her an **Honorary Member** effective June 1, 2011.

Robin, we will miss you and wish you all the best!

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 6 (Monday)

Rotaract Club 1st Birthday Party
6:30 PM Westwood Banquet Hall
5880 Olivas Park Drive 866-966-3009
See Dale Jaedtke for tickets.

June 21 (Tuesday)

Prez Hutch's Demotion Party at Crowne Plaza

Don't want to miss this, so sign up early at club meetings!

June 22 (Wednesday)

DARK – Recovery from Demotion Party

June 25 (Saturday)

DG Deepa's Demotion & District Awards Celebration – Santa Ynez Valley Marriott

Watch for more information to come!

July 4th (Monday)

Family Fireworks & Fun Festival at Ventura College

To volunteer and for more information, please see Ellyn Dembowski or Lynda Girtsman

July 6, 2011 (Wednesday)

DARK – Recovery from 4th of July Celebration

Club Social – Garden Party at the La Rochelle Home



Thank you, Gracious Hosts – Dennis & Joanne



Event chair Christina Rust takes it all in stride and with a smile

Upcoming Programs

June 1: Special Olympics Ventura County

Special Olympics provide year-round Olympic-style training and competition programs for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Special Olympics Ventura County serves approximately 500 athletes who train and compete in ten year-round sports.

Peggi Preston, the presenter of this program, is the Regional Director for Special Olympics Ventura County. She has a 20 year background in non-profit development and has been with Special Olympics for 6 ½ years.

June 15: Maintaining Optimism

Dr. J. Mitchell Perry is a human performance expert, executive coach, trainer, speaker and author. His Ventura-based company, JM Perry Learning technologies, is a leading training and performance firm. He has presented his program in over 30 countries with great success. He has made over 1000 presentations to Fortune 500 Companies and has regularly appeared on radio and television programs around the country.

Dr. Mitchell is the author of two books:

The Road to Optimism – Change Your Language – Change your Life (March '95, Manfit Press)

In the Zone – Achieving Optimal Performance in Business As In Sports (April '97, Contemporary Books)

Everyone enjoyed great Rotary Fellowship!

