



ROTARY SPOKES

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Meeting of March 21, 2012
National Parks, featuring Dan Holmes
Reporter: Betsy Chess



We were greeted by a new table arrangement this meeting – rounds of 8 instead of the usual banquet seating. Personally, I liked the change – less institutional, easier to move around and more conducive to general conversation at the table. Whachu'all think, Rotarians??

Rosa Lee Measures handled Introductions. **Clyde Reynolds** led us in *America the Beautiful*.

Presentations

Dr. Todd Binkley auctioned a copy of Access magazine – full of discounts that benefit our schools.

Announcements

P-E **Indy Batra** announced the District Assembly would be held at Pacifica High School in Oxnard on March 31st. Prez. Lynda again welcomed our newest members.

Rotary Moment

Sonny Shah shared that he is proud to come from the same place as our RI President, Kalyan Banerjee.



Fining

Margo Byrne presented random trivia at which we were randomly good and found majorly funny!

Happy Dollars

Happy moments and proud family accomplishments were celebrated and a special Thank You was extended to Derby Club staff for their fine service.



Meeting Programs & Assignments

Programs

Chair: Larry Emrich

Today, March 21, 2012

Mar 28- All that Jazz, with
the Cabrillo Middle School's Jazz Band
under the direction of Mario Boccali

April 4- Digestion

April 11- Where Will the Market Go in 2012?

Introductions

Chair: Ron Calkins

Mar 28 – Clyde Reynolds

April 4- Albert McCartney

Rotary Moment

Chair: Terri Adams

Mar 28 – Dale Jaedtke

April 4- Ed McCombs

Fining

Chair: Ron Bamieh

Mar 28- Todd Binkley

April 4- Bill Finley



Program

Roger Case introduced award-winning professional photographer, our own Dan Holmes. Dan is a leader in his field and wide-ranging traveler as well. He extolled the public lands of the US as accessible, beautiful, safe, wild and free! No other country has this combo of infrastructure and administration that make our parks, wilderness areas and open spaces possible for us to enjoy.

With this privilege comes considerable responsibility and need for restraint – foot traffic only, fires fought by hand, quotas in popular places like Half Dome and Mt. Whitney. The Bureau of Land Management manages all open land that doesn't have forests. Bound to have conflicts – bikers/horses, walkers/cars, etc. The BLM protects these national treasures against industrial interests that might harm sites such as Lake Powell, Grand Canyon and Devil's Post Pile.

Dan stressed that this unique heritage is a lasting responsibility and urged us to do the small things that can help such as vote, turn down the thermostat and lights, and use gas prudently.

Dan then rewarded us with several slide shows of his glorious photographs. Thank you Dan, for sharing the gift of our beautiful land and your gift for capturing it...

2011-12 Officers and Directors

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•Non-Voting

Avenues of Service

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New Generations

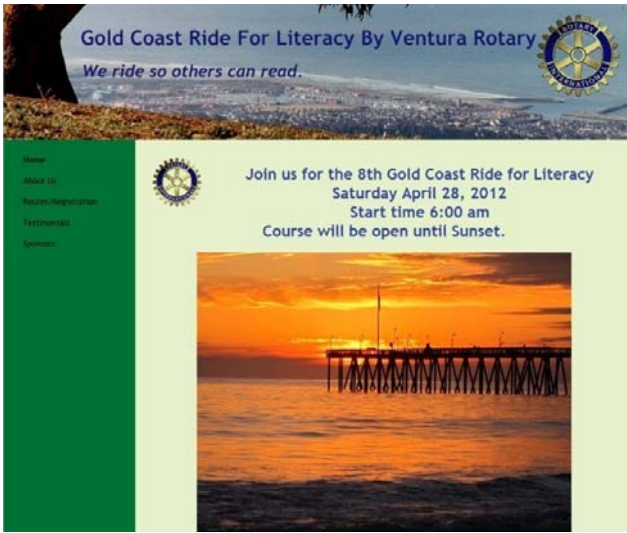
Director	Ellyn Dembowski
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GOLD COAST RIDE MEETING!

Immediately after today's meeting.



VISIT THE WEBSITE!

www.goldcoastrideforliteracy.com



PRESIDENT LYNDA'S STEPDOWN DINNER

Tuesday, June 19, 2012
Reception at 5:00 p.m.
Buffet Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Basic PRLS- *MORE INFO AT www.prls.org!*

CLU Oxnard (before District Assembly)

March 30, 2012

Rotary District 5240 Assembly

Pacifica High School Oxnard

Mar 31, 2012 08:00 AM

Blood Drive

Derby Club Parking Lot

Apr 11, 2012 10:00 AM

RYLA

Camp Ramah, Ojai

Apr 19, 2012 - Apr 22, 2012

Board Meeting

71 Palm Restaurant

Apr 26, 2012 11:45 AM

Gold Coast Ride for Literacy- *NEED VOLUNTEERS!*

Apr 28, 2012 06:00 AM

Club BBQ and Picnic

Foster Park

May 12, 2012 12:30 PM

President's Stepdown Dinner

June 19, 2012 5:00 PM

I have attached a copy of our Gold Coast Ride handout for you to distribute to your friends and family!

