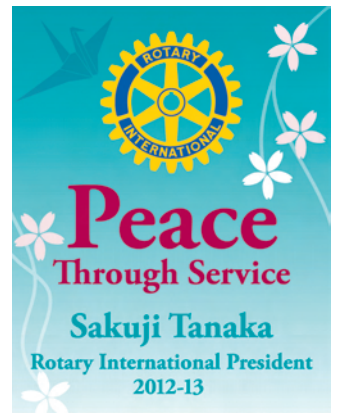


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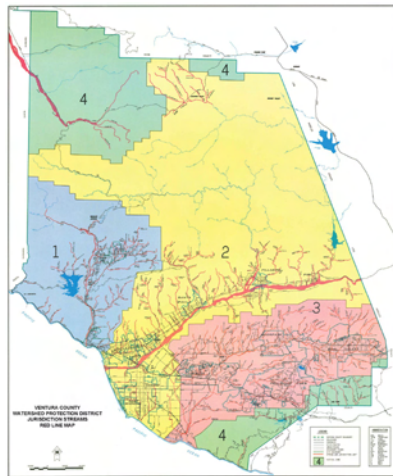


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Watershed Protection

Today's program focuses on an important environmental issue for us in Ventura. The Ventura County Watershed Protection District (then known as the Ventura County Flood Control District) was formed on September 12, 1944, when the California State Legislature approved the Ventura County Flood Control Act. The District was formed, in part, to provide for the control and conservation of flood and storm waters and for the protection of watercourses, watersheds, public highways, life and property in the district from damage or destruction from these waters.



On January 1, 2003, the name was changed to the Ventura County Watershed Protection District to reflect changes in community values, regulatory requirements, and funding opportunities. The name change also reflected the District's desire to emphasize integrated watershed management and solve flood control problems with environmentally sound approaches. The District's mission is to protect life, property, watercourses, watersheds, and public infrastructure from the dangers and damages associated with flood and stormwaters. Goals of the District include:

- Comprehensive, long range watershed planning
- Collaboration with watershed stakeholders
- Administration of adopted regulations, policies, and resolutions
- Responsible and accountable use of public resources
- Excellence in public service



Gius gives Ventura YMCA grant for program

The Julius Gius Memorial Rotary Foundation gave a grant of \$1,500.00 to the Ventura YMCA for their Youth and Government program. The Club was very impressed by a presentation several months ago by students who had participated in the program.

Youth & Government is a six-month program in which high-school aged delegates, (9th-12th grades) role play the various positions of the California State Legislature and the State Court systems. Students participate by joining local YMCA delegations. Within these delegations, they create bills to be submitted to the Model Legislature, research and practice court cases, and attend the three annual Model Legislature & Court conference.

On hand to receive the check were Margo Byrne, the YMCA executive director and Ventura Rotary Club member and Sarah Abrams, who oversees the program and an active Ventura Rotaractor.



Meeting of 31 October 2012

This meeting was different from the norm, as President Indy Batra decided to make this special fifth Wednesday of the month a club mixer, where in lieu of a formal program, members are encouraged to engage in fellowship and meeting guests of the club.

Club business included induction of yet another new member courtesy of Rosa Lee Measures. Jeff Lambert, the City of Ventura's Community Development Director. Also, Rob Orth was given his blue badge, as he had completed his requirements as a new inductee to the Club.

Today's Agenda

Watershed Protection District

Introductions

Larry Emrich

Rotary Moment

Dick Hatcher

Fining

Dave Bianco



Jeff Lambert is inducted by President Indy Batra and sponsor Rosa Lee Measures



Lucas Johnston and Saurabh Bajaj enjoy the time given to club fellowship.



Rob Orth receives his blue badge from President Indy Batra and Christina Rust.



RosaAnn Hill takes time from helping to organize for Coats for Kids to meet guest to the club.



Dave Wellik and Christina Rust share a good laugh



President Elect SpongeLynda Square Pants shares an announcement with the club.



Dick Hatcher greets a guest of the Club as Margo Byrne looks on..

Upcoming Events

Fireside Chat

Home of Sheila Fatarelli

Nov 8, 2012, 6:00 PM

Board Meeting

71 Palm Restaurant

Nov 15, 2012 11:45 AM - 01:30 PM



Wayne Bruce and Larry Rasmussen seem deep in discussion.



Men in red: Neal Andrews and Don Leach converse as part of the Club 'mexer.'.



Hard at work: Rotarians RoseAnn Hill, Rob Orth, Albert McCartney and Mary Saputo assemble the site collection boxes for the Coats for Kids project. The program is out in public now, so encourage friends to donate!

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