

ROTARY SPOKES

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Meeting November 3, 2010 Reporter: Margo Byrne

Introductions: Katherine Wertheim (pictured)



welcomed the group with a traditional Jewish Prayer. We enjoyed patriotic song and introduced guests of members and the club. President Hutch previewed the new

"custom-handcrafted' club gavel. **Announcements**:

Kristin Taylor talked about the goal of collecting

10,000 coats this year for "Coats for Kids". Sonny Shah was honored with a Paul Harris Fellow for his work with the program. Kristin (pictured) was then honored for her work being the Chair for the program and for her work with the troops. Kristen was definitely surprised!!!

Christina Rust reminded

everyone to sign up for the <u>Holiday Social Dec. 3rd at</u> <u>Ann Deal's home.</u>

Dan Holmes reminded everyone that the <u>head shot</u> <u>fundraiser is next week</u> with all proceeds going to the purchase of a shelter box.

John McConica II announced that the <u>BBQ at Santa</u> <u>Ynez, sponsored by the Funsters Group</u>, is this coming weekend.

Dale Jaedtke asked everyone to please get involved with the <u>Rotaract Red Run coming up November 13th</u> – please sign up.

Julius Guis Fellow was awarded to Ellyn Dembowski by



Dr. Harald Wulff (pictured) she didn't see that one coming! Congratulations Ellyn! <u>The children's</u> holiday shopping <u>spree is Dec. 8th;</u> you can help. This is a great event that symbolizes the work

Rotarians do to improve lives in their communities.. **Fining:** Margo Byrne did the fining with men vs women questions. We now know the true size of a 2X4 piece of lumber.

Rotary Moment: Terri Adams shared a Rotary moment about Coats for Kids.

Program: Jayanta Chatterji, president of the R C Calcutta Metropolitan (RCCM), India, began his program

by presenting a flag and club pin from his club. Prez Hutch returned the favor with a flag from our club. President Jayanta shared his story of how he became involved with Rotary. It was when he saw the club in action.



From open heart surgery at no fee, providing prosthetics to those in need and much more, his club has taught him *continued on next page*

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Meeting Programs & Assignments

Programs Program Chair: Hank Chandler

November 10, 2010 Making a difference in Honduras Albert McCartney & David Shea

> November 17, 2010 The Rotary Foundation Dick Hatcher

November 24, 2010 - DARK

Greeters Chair: Melody Namikas

Introductions Chair: Indy Batra Nov. 10 – Margo Byrne Nov. 17 – Robin Calote

> Rotary Moment Chair: Barbara Asbell TBA

Fining Chair: Michele Olsen Nov.10 – Curtis Cormane Nov. 17 – Steve Chadbourne

2010-11 Officers and Directors

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Elected Directors

2 nd Year 2009-11:
Ellyn Dembowski
Erik Feingold
Sonny Shah
Juan Soto

<u>1st Year 2010-12:</u> Barbara Asbell Dale Jaedtke Kristin Taylor John Williams

Program continued

that service to ensure basic human rights is our responsibility. He shared that our 3-H grant is making a difference in the Piyali community and at the Piyali Learning Center. The magic three E's that the program is based on are education, empowerment to women, and empowerment for women through microcredit. President Jayanta then presented a video about the history of the program and progress being made. The informative video told the story of how the Piyali Learning Center came to be and the goals of the school for girls, primarily being to empower girls and their mothers with education and vocational training.

To date, the 3-H grant has supported the development of a computer lab, purchase of sewing machines, the availability of microloans and a much-needed road to the site of the new school, now being built with funds from PACE Universal, the NPO founded by DG Deepa Willingham which supports the school.

Jayanata concluded his presentation with the thought that the community is responding to the positive changes and taking action and thanked the club for the continued support.

Costume jewelry items made by the women of Piyali were available for purchase after the meeting.

Jayanta and his wife, Arundhati, attended our district conference in October and have been visiting several of the clubs who have contributed to the 3-H grant.

Final Thought by Prez Hutch:

Benjamin Franklin said, "Well done is better than well said"



HOT OFF THE PRESS PE Lynda Girtsman and Roz Warner having a great time at the Funsters BBQ last weekend. Great picture - thanks to John McConica II, our photographer extraordinaire!

MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

Day/Time	Club
<u>Monday</u>	
Noon	Santa Paul

Santa Paula Ventura South

Tuesday

Noon

6:45 AM	Fillmore Sunrise	El Pescador Restaurant
7:00 AM	Camarillo Brkfst.	Spanish Hills Country Club
7:00 AM	Ojai West	SoulePark Golf Course
Noon	Simi Valley	Simi Valley Cultural Arts Ctr
12:10 PM	Montecito	Montecito Country Club
12:10 PM	Oxnard	Courtyard by Marriott
6:00 PM	Simi Sunset	Grand Vista Hotel

Location

Logsdon Restaurant

Wedgewood Banquet Ctr.

Wednesday

7:00 AM	Carpinteria Morning	Carpinteria Women's Club
Noon	Camarillo	Camarillo Center for Spiritual Living

Thursday

7:00 AM	Simi Sunrise	Grand Vista Hotel
7:30 AM	Oxnard Sunrise	Tomas Café
11:45 AM	Carpinteria	Carpinteria Community Bldg
Noon	Fillmore	Fillmore Western Dining Car (adjacent to Museum)
Noon	Ventura East	Poinsettia Pavilion

Friday Noon

Ojai

Soule Park Golf Course

 For additional District 5240 Make-Up locations and directions to the above, go to rotarydistrict5240.org and click on link "When and where clubs meet"

• To make up on-line via the world wide web, go to rotarveclubone.org

• To make up anywhere around the world, go to rotary.org and use the Club Locator

The Four Way Test – of the things we think, say and do:

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 10th

Deadline for GSE Team Member applications for exchange with Australia. For more details, please contact Steve Doll

November 10th & 17th

"Headshot" pictures with Dan Holmes. For more information, contact Dan Holmes.

November 13th (Saturday) Rotaract "Red Run for Polio" fundraiser. For more details, please contact Dale Jaedtke

November 17th (Wednesday)

Monthly Canned Food Drive Please bring canned food (meat products needed!) or make a cash donation.

November 24th (Wednesday) -DARK

December 3rd (Friday) Club Holiday Party @ Ann Deal's home; sign-ups at club meetings For more information, please contact Rosa Lee Measures or Christina Rust

December 8th (Wednesday)

Children's Shopping and Party (J C Penny/Crowne Plaza) For more information and to help, please contact Rob van Nieuwburg.

December 29th (Wednesday) DARK

December 30th (Thursday) Joint Meeting with R C Ventura East at **Poinsettia Pavilion** More information to come.

January 29, 2011 (Saturday)

Save the date for D. 5240 Poverty Symposium – this won't be the anything like previous poverty conferences.

For more information go to ROTARYSTEPSONPOVERTY.ORG

"Coats for Kids" Reminder:

If you have not yet picked up your collection box(es) or other material, please contact Kristin Taylor asap. Boxes can be picked up at Four Season's Cleaners on Main Street.

Packages to Troops Reminder:

If you forgot to bring "goodies" today, please contact Kristin Taylor - she'll find a way so you can still contribute! Tel 643-3800