



ROTARY SPOKES

*The Rotary Club of Ventura
Weekly Bulletin*

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October 13, 2010

Meeting October 6, 2010

Reporter: Betsy Chess

Introductions: Christine Tonello (pictured) led the Flag Salute and offered a moment of silence – to remember Mary Leach and to support Don. Songsters led us in "America the Beautiful"



Announcements:
Fireside Chat moved to October 14: see Sheila Fattarelli for more info.

Jock MacKenzie passed away; he was a member of the Westlake Club and a founder of PRLS.

October birthdays were recognized by President Hutch.

Norm Blacher Leader of the "Funster Group" announced their kickoff Monday Oct 11 at 71 Palm, and welcomed others to come and bring potential members. See Ellyn for reservations.

Lynda Girtsman reminded us that the District Conference will be here Saturday, October 23. It is a traveling conference, with a family barbecue at Limoneira in Santa Paula from 11:30 to 3:00. The cost is only \$40 with children under 13 free. See Jim Newton after meeting and give him a check to register. Clyde Reynolds: big day Saturday Oct 9 to get the community to construct a big U-Dome.

Dale Jaedtke two Rotaract fundraisers coming up: Taste of India Saturday October 16th, and Red Run in November.

Rosa Lee Measures announced her "Moonlighting Wolves" POLIO fundraiser Wednesday the 13th at the County Museum – they're showing the film The Final Inch. 5:30 – 7:00.

Steve Doll invited everyone to a potluck at his house Oct 6 to welcome the GSE Team from Australia. The team will also be at the District Conference at Limoneira the 23rd.

Neal Andrews announced the Seaside Highland games Oct 9-10. Auctioned tickets.



Special Presentation:

Rob vanNieuwburg presenting the Julius Gius Memorial Foundation award to Steve Kipp (pictured).

Rotary Moment:

Ellyn Dembowski – Her Rotary Moment spoke of the backpack project and the special memory that came from kids at Lincoln School with the notes of thanks they wrote. She keeps one on her wall in her office.

Happy Dollars: not happy today; no Happy Dollars.

Fining: Todd Binkley's fining covered the Anatomy; Margo Byrne helped demonstrate parts of the body and Todd asked questions about the muscles – lots of money for the club coffers!



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District 5240 www.rotarydistrict5240.org – R.I. www.rotary.org

Meeting Programs & Assignments

Programs

Program Chair: Hank Chandler

October 13, 2010

Leadership (Mel Cheatham)

October 20, 2010

Craft Talks

October 27, 2010

Vocational Service (Scott Patterson)

Greeters

Chair: Melody Namikas

Introductions

Chair: Indy Batra

Oct. 13 – Steve Chadbourne

Oct. 20 – Jerry Beckerman

Oct. 27 – Gary Young

Rotary Moment

Chair: Barbara Asbell

Oct. 13 – Ken Cooper

Oct. 20 – Norbert Tan

Oct. 27 – Sonny Shah

Fining

Chair: Michele Olsen

Oct. 13 – John Brant

Oct 20 – Dave Bianco

Oct. 27 – Steve Bradvica

2010-11 Officers and Directors

Officers

President Hutch Hutchinson
 President Elect Lynda Girtsman
 Secretary Jim Deardoff
 Recording Secretary * Larry Emrich
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 •Non-Voting Position

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 Community Service Dennis LaRochele
 International Service Albert 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 Jaedtker

Kristin Taylor

John Williams

Program: A Semester at Sea by Mario de la Piedra

Mario, a familiar face at the podium recently, highlighted the program that altered his life. He spent one semester of university life on a ship, the MV Explorer, with 500 other students. The ship is 1132 feet long and holds 2620 passengers.



Daily life included lots of class work and entertainment, talent shows, themed days, Sea Olympics, Neptune day, ambassadors ball, formal dining, and meetings with

SAE fraternity brothers. All his professors were from Harvard. Highlights of the four-and-a-half-month cruise included stops in Spain, Morocco, Ghana, South Africa, Mauritius, India, Vietnam, China and Japan. He tried to look at the country, culture and people from a political science perspective and how Americans had influenced their lives. He felt there was "American influence everywhere... People assume you are rich.. Traveling makes one proud to be an American."

Final Thoughts by President Hutch: It is never too late to be what you might have become.

Pictured below are the Team Leader of the GSE Team from Australia and Steve Doll exchanging club banners during last week's "welcome potluck" at Steve's home. If you didn't have a chance to attend, be sure to meet the team at one of the upcoming District Conference events – see upcoming events on next page.



MAKE-UP OPPORTUNITIES

Day/Time	Club	Location
<u>Monday</u>		
Noon	Santa Paula	Logsdon Restaurant
Noon	Ventura South	Wedgewood Banquet Ctr.
<u>Tuesday</u>		
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
<u>Wednesday</u>		
7:00 AM	Carpinteria Morning	Carpinteria Women's Club
Noon	Camarillo	Camarillo Center for Spiritual Living
<u>Thursday</u>		
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
<u>Friday</u>		
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 rotaryclubone.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?

Membership News

Ted Wrablik, a former member of our club (11/7/07 – 3/31/09) has been proposed by **Larry Emrich** to rejoin our club; he will keep his classification "Therapy – Marriage and Family". Ted received a Paul Harris Fellow in 2008 and was a great help on the Ride for Literacy and other club projects. He has already earned his blue badge.

If you have any objections to Ted rejoining our club, please contact the club secretary (Jim Deardorff) within 10 days of this publication.

David-Michael Kenney resigned from the club effective September 30, 2010. He served as our webmaster for the past several years. Among many other helpful deeds, he inducted your current bulletin editor into the art of web-email and other website magic. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 21 (Thursday) – 7:30a
Newcomers Meeting – Pierpont Inn5

October 21 (Thursday) – 11:45a
Board Meeting – 71 Palm

October 23rd (Saturday) 11:30a – 3p
2010-11 District Conference:
Family Picnic @ Limoneira in Santa Paula

Cost \$40/adults; children under 13 are free. Sign up at the club meetings. For more information on the conference, contact PE Lynda Girtsman @ 648-1744.

Note: All of the above events qualify as make-ups if attended within the make-up period.

November 10th
Deadline for GSE Team Member apps for 2011 exchange with Australia
For more details, contact Steve Doll

Wishlist for our troops in Afghanistan

Babywipes, granola and power bars, dried fruit, nuts and raisins, small canned chicken and tuna, gum, candy, presweetened powdered Gatorade and Crystal Light, DVDs & CDs, athletic socks, neck cooler ties, AA and AAA batteries, beef jerky, individual snack products, small jars of peanut butter & jelly, puzzle books, paperback novels, stationery, pens, blank cards, lip balm. Toothpaste & brushes, Q-tips, cotton swabs, sunblock.

Kristin and her team plan to mail packages in November, so **please start saving these items!**