

Rotary projects around the globe
March 2023

Peru

This month the Rotary Club of Chinchá is scheduled to unveil a new addition to a shelter that houses vulnerable girls ages 5 to 17 in the Ica region. The girls, some of whom have been abandoned by their families or are victims of abuse, “need a lot of psychological help,” says Mónica Avilés Calderón, a past club president. The club completed the first building, with a capacity of 30 residents, in 2000. Soon the number of girls living in the shelter more than doubled. Starting in 2018, the club expanded capacity with additional buildings, costing about \$35,000 each. The three new structures were funded primarily by donations from the Rotary Club of Flawil, Switzerland, and District 2000 (Liechtenstein and Switzerland). The Chinchá club raised the remaining funds.

United States

Southern Michigan lore tells of a wanderer who handed melon seeds to a greenhouse owner. The resulting Howell melon has been celebrated by townsfolk with an annual festival now in its 63rd year. The Rotary Club of Howell has gotten in on the festivities by selling a Howell melon-flavored ice cream. In August the 40-member club sold 7,000 cups of the ice cream and 1,500 half-gallon containers over the weekend fair. More than 100 people, including Rotarians, members of the Interact Club of Howell High School, and school athletes, pitched in to help. The endeavor scooped up \$30,000 for scholarships, local youth programs, and other community projects. “It’s so popular that no matter what time we say we’re going to start selling there’s going to be a line,” says Sandie Cortez, a past president of the Howell club. “People go crazy over this.”

India

Table tennis ranks among the most popular sports in India. Tapping into that enthusiasm, the Rotary Club of Chennai Riviera is providing coaching to 17 deserving athletes ages 7 to 12. “All these children belong to underserved families and have the inclination to pursue the sport,” says Club President Asha Daniel. “We want them to utilize this sport to improve themselves further and become good at it, giving them exposure and opportunities for a good education and life.” The club covers breakfast and the cost of coaching, and a club member provides workout space, reducing the project’s cost. To fund the annual \$4,000 training expense, the club in November staged a Future Paddlers Tournament that attracted 135 contestants ranging from 10 to about 70 years old, generating about \$2,700 through entry fees.

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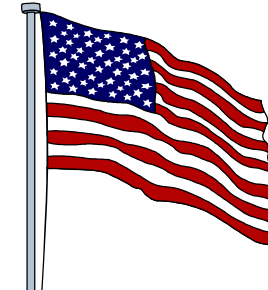
THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

First: Is it the TRUTH?

Second: Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Third: Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Fourth: Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



ROTARY PRAYER

Oh Lord, and giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, help to serve Thee all of our days.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS NORTH



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FUTURE PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS

March 10 ----- Clint Wood
 March 17 ----- 3rd Friday ~ Rotary Board Meeting
March 21 (Tuesday)-----Tour - 364th at SAFB - 4:00 PM
 March 24 ----- Phil Waggoner
March 25(Saturday):Breakfast for Faith Mission 8:00 AM ~ 2:00 PM
 March 31 ---- Joe Clement ~ Ricky Watson – Juvenile Probation Officer
 April 7 ----- Mike Crocker ~Wichita County Judge Jim Johnson
 April 14----- Larry Gunnell
 April 21----- 3rd Friday ~ Rotary Board Meeting
 April 28----- Ann Lucas
 May 5 -----Matthew Milhollon
 May 12----- Neale, bill
 May 19----- Oku Okeke
 May 26----- Rob Noble

NEWS FROM OUR LAST CLUB MEETING AT JIMMY’S EGG

The Rotary Prayer was led by Clint and the Pledges were led by Rob.

We had several guests at last week’s meeting; James Rasmussen, Dr. Jeff Blacklock, Michael Day and Krishna Kumar.

President Ajay brought the club a banner, from PETS, for the club being a “**100% Foundation Giving Club**”. That means that everyone in the club has given at least \$25.00 to The Rotary Foundation, and the club average is at least \$100.00 per person during the current Rotary year. Congratulations Rotary North!

The brag bucket was well fed by Gary (5), Joe, Matt, Ann, Phil and Ajay.

Clint informed the club that mentoring for the upcoming local 4-Way Test Speech Contest is being held every Tuesday night. The regional competition will be held at the upcoming District Assembly.

PDG Tom inducted 2 new members. Dr. Mruanlini Radkar and Julie Day. Mruanlini was sponsored by Ajay and Julie was sponsored by Rob. A picture is included later.

Gary introduced Eddie Carlton and Elijah as our program. Elijah is a seven year old golden retriever that is a Certified Comfort Dog! Eddie did most of the talking. Eddie told about Elijah’s daily routine and activities. He also told us about going to Uvalde for ten days after the school shootings there. Elijah is a true “Wonder Dog”! Just don’t leave Elijah to guard a chocolate cake!

The raffle raised \$23.00 and Rob was the lucky winner. To a large round of applause he drew the 3 of clubs for a \$5.00 prize. If this week’s winner draws the ace of spades they will win \$183.00 + ½ of what is raised today.



(L-R) Dr. Mrunalini Radkar, Julie Day, Rob Noble, Tom Sheriff and Ajay Kumar



(L-R) Elijah, Eddie Carlton and Linda Sheriff