

# **Rotary Club of Auburn**

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# THE ROTARY CLUB OF AUBURN BULLETIN

**FEBRUARY 26, 2013** 



Acting President for the meeting was Bob Dunstan



Chere Yamasaki was presented a Paul Harris Fellow award



Bill Johnston receives his blue badge from acting Pres. Dunstan



Kahl Muscott presents Nordixx Pole Walking by Richard Del Balso



Richard: 30 minutes pole walking equals 50 regular walking

# MEMBERSHIP IN THE SPOTLIGHT AS ACTING PRESIDENT BOB DUNSTAN WELCOMES THREE NEW MEMBERS TO THE CLUB



The anxious acting prez waits for Carolyn to find Colette's Rotary Pin Tom Edmiston, Steve, Jim Moore, & Mitch looking for that Rotary pin

Sponsors Carolyn, Steve, & Mitch with new members Colette Derr, Tom Edmiston, and Jim Moore

## THE SPEAKER ON TUESDAY WILL BE LESLIE WARREN WHO WILL SPEAK ON THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE PROJECTS SHE IS INVOLVED IN

Leslie Warren is a 27 year resident of Placer County and is active in agriculture, environmental and art initiatives in the County and is perhaps best known for co-founding and developing Placer Nature Center. For over 24 years, the community based Placer Nature Center has welcomed school children and families to the 60 acre education campus; where visitors discover that their connection to nature and science is fun, fascinating, and essential to our future survival.

Leslie's environmental interests reach across the globe. She is a resource for sustainable,

locally managed projects that provide clean water and clean water education to communities in Africa and Central America. In Zambia she has worked to provide funding and drilling for 13 bore-hole wells to provide communities with clean water. In Nicaragua, she engages the communities to build small farms to build the awareness of the connection between clean water, healthy families, a healthy environment, and food production. She is also developing a teaching farm in Nicaragua and maintains a home there as a resource center.

#### THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER ON MARCH 14, HOSTED BY THE ROTARY CLUBS OF AUBURN, WILL BE SYLVIA WHITLOCK

#### "THE MOUSE THAT ROARED"

From the Park LaBrea News - Beverly Press 12/15/2011

Rotary has been in existence since 1905, but it wasn't until Sylvia Whitlock was elected president of the Rotary Club in Duarte, Calif., that the service organization allowed a female to preside over a club.

Sylvia Whitlock became the first female president of a Rotary club when she was elected president of the Duarte Rotary club in 1987.



Whitlock, who walked into a world that had been dominated by men for the last 80 years, shared her story with the Wilshire Rotary Club of Los Angeles on Wednesday. "It's amazing. When we were going through this, we never thought it would make such an impact," she said prior to her speech.

Whitlock was elected president of the Rotary Club of Duarte when Rotary International was battling to keep women excluded in the U.S. Supreme Court. Having been stripped of its charter by the organization's board of directors for allowing female members, the club was then known as the Ex-Rotary Club of Duarte.

Duarte was also the first club to allow women to join, which they did in 1977. In 1978, the club lost its charter for doing so. After a series of appeals, the U.S. Supreme Court affirmed a decision by the Court of Appeals of California to reinstate the club in 1987.

#### ACTING PRESIDENT BOB WANTS A NOTE FROM HOME TO VERIFY SICKNESS



A fter a week of joyously climbing around the majestic Grand Canyon, President Bart claimed that he picked up some kind of "Grand Canyon virus" and was too sick to wield the gavel for the second week in row. Not totally convinced of the veracity of President O'Brien's story, acting president Dunstan is asking for verification of his alleged sickness with a note from home when he resumes his elected duties this Tuesday. When the Duarte club embarked on the fight, it was a membership issue, not a women's right issue, Whitlock said. She said the Supreme Court ruling sparked a media frenzy, however. Prior to that, Whitlock had attended a training seminar that included 310 men and her. She was instructed to wear a coat and tie for pictures, and she marveled at the line to the men's restroom. "In the ladies room, it was just me," Whitlock said.

During that seminar, the District 530 governor, Tim Keen Siu, spoke of the Supreme Court case, and said, "This is the case of the mouse that roared." The Duarte club stuck with the motto and placed it on its banner.

Though Whitlock is no longer a member of the Duarte club, she serves in the Claremont Rotary Club, helping the local and national organizations in their many missions, from promoting literacy to eradicating polio. She travels to share her experience, and with the 25th anniversary of her presidency upcoming, she has spoken on the subject 15 times this year.

"Rotary is so much richer with the presence of women," Whitlock said. "We're all serving, and we're all capable of serving."

The Rotary International Foundation Dinner sponsored by all three Rotary clubs in Auburn will be held at Max's at the Holiday Inn in Auburn on Thursday, March 14, 2013. The cost per person will be \$30.

Steve Snyder who will begin his term as one of fifteen Rotary International Directors on July 1, 2013 said at the meeting last Tuesday, "On that U. S. Supreme Court case, Justice Sandra Day O'Connor had to recuse herself from the case because her husband was a Rotarian."

About his upcoming term as Rotary Director, Steve said, "I participated in my first Board Meeting in La Jolla, CA in January. I have been out of town ever since discussing what decisions we made, what the responsibilities of a R I Director are and how a Board Meeting is conducted."

#### POKER FOR POLIO CASINO NIGHT MEETING ON MARCH 15



Casino Night chair Mitch Hanna announced that the second planning meeting for the Poker For Polio Casino Night will be held at 8 a.m. Friday, March 15, 2013 in the boardroom at Sutter-Auburn Faith Hospital. Please contact Nick Abrahamsen if you wish to be a sponsor of the event; be a "Joker's Wild" Grand Sponsor for a mere \$400. Silent Auction prizes are also needed. Contact Nick at 530-823-3733.

### NORCAL DENTAL CLINIC IN ENSENADA TAKES PLACE ON MARCH 22-23



Steve Leighty has had the NorCal Dental Clinic trip organized and ready for weeks! The clinic will be held in facilities in Ensenada owned and operated by the Thousand Smiles Foundation which some of our members have volunteered to help in the past. Each day will be very busy with patients being treated from 8 am to 5 or 6 pm. Steve said, "We always need folks who can speak Spanish . . . our patients need help in answering simple questions about their health and the health of their kids; we will easily figure out any technical terms we need to communicate. Similarly, we always need people with some knowledge of dental equipment like autoclaves, dental units and x-ray developers. We have room for a very few general volunteers." Contact Steve for more information.



# ANNIVERSARIES

Jack & Gail Remington February 7, 1959 (54 Years)

CONGRATULATIONS!

## GOLD COUNTRY ROTARY HOSTS THE ROTARY SPEECH CONTEST

Date: March 28, 2013 • 6pm The Ridge Golf and Event Center If you have any students interested in participating, please let President Keith or Gold Country Rotary member Jeanne (jeannethecarwasher@yahoo.com) know.

#### SECRETARY MARK SMITH LOOKING FOR SOME HELP

Two clipboards were passed around by Mark last Tuesday - did you get a chance to respond? One clipboard was for information for the Club Runner program by Valerie Harris: Who was your sponsor into Auburn Rotary? The second clipboard was to sign up for the Scholarship Committee if you were interested. Missed them both? See Mark this week.

# **DAYBREAK ROTARY BINGO!**

March 2 at 6 pm at Bowman School to help raise funds for a new baseball backstop. The door prize, if you haven't seen it on Facebook, is a beautiful silver necklace valued at \$200.00 donated by Ropers Jewelers. Contact Stacy Graham at Daybreak Rotary Club for more information.

#### PROGRAM NEXT WEEK: SARSAS (SAVE AUBURN RAVINE SALMON AND STEELHEAD): JACK SANCHEZ

SARSAS Mission Statement: To return Salmon and steelhead to the entire length of the Auburn Ravine

SARSAS is trying to do with one stream, the Auburn Ravine, what must be done to all streams and rivers on the entire West Coast and that is to make the entire length of the ravine navigable for Anadromous Fish.

The health and well-being of Salmon is directly linked to that of people. If we improve the health and well-being of Salmon, we improve the health and well-being of mankind and therefore ourselves.

Salmon are as resilient and adaptive as humans; when they can no longer adapt, neither can mankind. They need our help....NOW.

"A New Manifest Destiny for Californians -When Salmon Can No Longer Survive on This Planet, Can Humanity Be Far Behind?"

# **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

March 5: Jeff Patton/Mary Jo Payne: Save Auburn Ravine Salmon and Steelhead

March 12: Bridget Powers/ Scott Queen: Doug Elmets:

March 19: Bill Radakovitz Mary Beauchamp: How to get Healthy Step by Step

March 26: Linda Maeding: High School Music Contest

#### **AUBURN ROTARY CLUB CALENDAR**

Tahoe City Rotary Ski Challenge at North Star Friday, March 8, 2013

Rotary Foundation Dinner - Max's Auburn Thursday, March 14, 2013

Rotary At Work Day Saturday, April 27, 2013

Auburn Rotary Casino Night at Ceronix May 11, 2013

Rotary District Conference at John Ascuaga's Nugget: May 16-19, 2013

Auburn Rotary Barbecue Friday, September 20, 2013

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