

**Club of Los Fresnos Satellite**

# News Letter

December 21, 2018

Merry Christmas Rotarian Members,

We had an outstanding speaker yesterday at Rotary! Val's son, Joseph, was our featured speaker. He shared about globalization and how important student internship and work experience is for our students. This is great segue to our first speaker in 2019, David Armendariz and Mrs. Quiroz who work on the student internship program with LFCISD. A special thanks this year to Kent and Don Lackey from PI Rotary for supporting us every week to make our club possible! Darlene chaired a very successful Every Kids Christmas event for our Rotary! Well done Darlene at leading our club members in service. It is not easy to lead 14 leaders and she did just that with this event! Orlando did a great job with the advertising and public relations! Also Gonzalo stepped up and found a solution when all the breakers were shutting down our planned cooking operation. Martin reminded us as we left to give a token donation to the amazing LFCISD Cafeteria manager who left the Cowboys game to help our club out. Over 1,250 meals served and \$2,750 in total donations! Future member Luis helped with the event showing the true spirit of the type of individual we need for future Rotarians! I was pleased to see our families and spouses. Gonzalo mentioned "**Commitment begins when the fun ends.**" We saw commitment during the more than 10 hours of work to serve the children in our community, a lot of work but well worth it! As the year draws to an end, I can't help but be thankful that in less than five month we have built a Rotary satellite club in Los Fresnos. Thank you each and every one of you members for taking the time to commit to become a Rotarian. Each one of you is handpicked and has a valuable role to play in building our club for our children to take over in the future. Let me mention our members that have been the founding members of the club in Los Fresnos:

**Val Champion Charter Member 2018**  
**Dr. Gonzalo Salazar Charter Member 2018**  
**Donald Henderson Charter Member 2018**  
**Adan Garcia Charter Member 2018**  
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**Orlando Hernandez Charter Member 2018**  
**Darlene Pederson Charter Member 2018**  
**David Armendariz Charter Member 2018**  
**Mayor Polo Narvaez Charter Member 2018**  
**Jaime Barbosa Charter Member 2018**  
**Martin Magallan Charter Member 2018**

**Club of Los Fresnos Satellite****Rick Riggins Charter Member 2018****Attendance:****10 Members of 12****10 Guests****Total in attendance today of 20***Tied with November 1 attendance for club record!***Speaker:**

Joseph Champion was in town visiting his father and mother Val & Suzanne Champion. When I heard he was in town, I asked him to consider speaking at our club and he graciously accepted the invitation. His education and career have been amazing. We all enjoyed his global perspective! Student internship programs he mentioned resonated with me and we need to do our best to work with LFCISD on this program. We had several guests that visited to here Joseph and we thank Suzanne, Ed, Mary and Valeria for attending today.

**Financial:****Account balance as of 12/21/2018****\$808.73****Other:**

- Val and Adan Garcia took up donations from our members and gave our waitress at Julia's a Christmas tip from Rotary. Adan will share at our next meeting.
- We had a full calendar the first half of the fiscal year and I have attached a calendar for your consideration

**Guests and gifts:**

Let's invite guests to visit our club during the remainder of the 2018 fiscal year. Next meeting will be January 10

**Upcoming Events:**

- David Armindariz and Mrs. Quiroz will be speaking at our January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting

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- Members and spouses social will take the place of our normal 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday meeting's beginning in January. These will be held in the evening on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month and designed to allow us to socialize and get to know our core.

**Be the inspiration!**

Donald Henderson, Chairman

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