



## Meeting April 24, 2008

Reported by Bob Lynn



Gene Cherry introduced guests & visiting Rotarians.

**President Joe** rang the bell to bring us to order.

**Steve Phillips** gave the inspirational moment. He spoke about the importance of recognizing the difference in importance of “winning” to kids and to adults. One of the better inspirational moments we have had. It reminds us that the Four Way Test does apply everywhere and it is important that we understand what the needs of others are and that we must seek first to understand if we are to be successful at The

Four Way Test.

**Harriet Clune** led us in the Flag Salute.

**Dr. Gene Cherry** introduced our guests. Visiting Rotarians: Hutch in Family Law with Ventura Rotary Downtown, Ed Campbell an Architect with Ventura Rotary Downtown, Ms. O’Leary in Real Estate from Ventura Rotary Downtown, Gary Kindt from Ventura Rotary Downtown. Diedre Monel was the guest of **Mohammed Hasan**.

Special guest of **Debbie Zuniga** was our own former member, Bill Coffman.

There was a rousing hand welcoming **LeRoy Andrews** back to the club after his medical difficulties. Welcome back **LeRoy!!**

**John Borneman** led us in



Dick Gallagher conducted our fine session.

song about the Brooks Institute.

**President Joe** talked about the District Assembly that will be held at Pacifica High School in Oxnard on Saturday.

**President Joe** honored our birthdays and anniversaries of **Mohammed Hasan, Midge Stork, Mark Smith, and Tom Shilton**.

**Chuck Yunker** updated us on how the upcoming Bake Sale is shaping up.

We received another report on RYLA from **Bob & Wendy Pazen’s** granddaughter and **Mohammed Hasan’s** daughter who were participants this year. **Gary Moratz** introduced them. The young ladies thanked the club for the opportunity to go and told about their renewed goals and how much the event changed their outlook on life. **Bob Pazen** told about visiting one of the classes as a guest and listening in – and how profound the class really was.

**Judy Hoag** announced that anybody that would like to come should join those of us that should come to the



Steve Phillips gave our inspirational message.

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## Presidents Message ...



Joe Amandoli  
President 2007-2008

This Thursday is our great Interact Bake Auction! I remember the first time I attended our bake auction I was shocked! \$25.00 for cupcakes? Then I found out what our auction does for the Interactors' at Buena High School. These students, up to 60 at the beginning of the year, learn the most important lesson at Interact. What lesson is that? "Service Above Self!" Do you remember when you were in High School? Did you think how you can help someone else or did you

think how you could help yourself? I was definitely looking out for number one...Me! These students have homework, sports, music and much more and they still make the decision to visit the various assisted living facilities throughout our town and do many other projects for our community. It is this type of employee or counsel member or Mayor that I would want to run our city some day. We are helping our community to be stronger for tomorrow.

Take the time to buy a cake or a pie or some cookies. If you are not able to make the meeting on Thursday don't worry, a concerned Rotarian will bill you for your purchase!

Thanks for your hard work

Sincerely:

Joe Amandoli  
President

Rotary Club Ventura East 2007-2008

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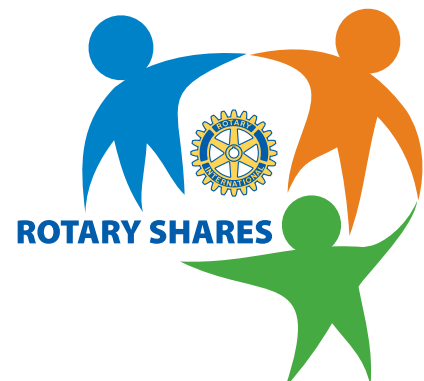
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**First** ... Is it the **TRUTH**? **Second** ... Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? **Third** ... Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**? **Fourth** ... Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



**Programs**

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

**May 1, 2008**

Rotary Bake Auction

**May 8, 2008**

Long-term care issues - Debbie Zuniga

**May 15, 2008**

Rotary Scholarship Awards - Michael Doyle

**May 23, 2008**

Club Anniversary Dinner - Friday Evening

Please note this meeting is **FRIDAY EVENING.**

**Greeters**

**May 1, 2008**

Pete Gallagher & Jill Gregorchuk

**May 8, 2008**

Dick Gallagher & Bill Gray

**May 15, 2008**

Mohammed Hasan & Tom Hashbarger

**May 23, 2008**

Jeff Hata & Ron Hertel

**Fines**

Program Chair: Tom Hashbarger

**May 1, 2008** - Jim Emch

**May 8, 2008** - Mohammed Hasan

**May 15, 2008** - Jeff Hata

**May 23, 2008** - TBA

**Meetings**

**TBA**

New Member Training Session

**May 8, 2008**

Vocational Service

2nd Thu/Month, Marie Callender's 5:30 PM

**May 13, 2008**

Board of Directors Meeting

2nd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's 7:00 AM

**May 12, 2008**

Club Service

2nd Mon/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

**May 20, 2008**

International Service

3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's Noon

**May 8, 2008**

New Generations

2nd Thu/Month, Marie Callender's 5:30 PM

**Every Monday**

Buena Interact Club

Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM



Dr. Roger Anderson spoke to us about Brooks.

**Dick Gallagher** did fines.

== Bob Lynn

Notes from the April 24 program:

**Andy Corliss** arranged for today's speaker, Dr. Roger Anderson, President of Brooks Institute. He told us about the changes occurring at the school, founded in 1945 in Santa Barbara.

Originally a photography school using one location, Brooks now has six separate facilities, four in Santa Barbara and two in Ventura. The programs in Ventura focus on film, photojournalism and graphic design while the Santa Barbara campuses focus on photography and general education. Their degree program is broken into six eight-week long classes, so a bachelor's degree can be earned in about three years. The college has about 1,400 students and over 10,000 graduates working full-time around the world. Dr. Anderson was particularly proud of two students whose film scripts were recently acquired by Steven Spielberg for significant sums.

As their students look for opportunities to photograph subjects and scenes in Ventura, the local Marriott has partnered with Brooks by placing students' photos in every room and the lobby of the hotel. This change has been favorably received, and other Marriotts are considering highlighting their local community in a similar way.

A student may finish the coursework, but that doesn't automatically qualify for receiving a degree until a comprehensive quality review is completed of that student's work and approved by faculty. There is a practical aspect to the training as well; students create their own promotional literature and learn the in's and out's of the business of visual arts.

Brooks is very proud of their award-winning faculty as well as the many students who have gone on in their careers to be leaders in the industry. We are pleased to have Brooks Institute part of our City of Ventura!

== Rocky

# Kenyan peace fellow aspires to protect human security

By Dan Nixon

Rotary International News - 18 April 2008

Joseph Hongo of Kenya has long envisioned “a new world order shaped not by military and political might but tolerance and mutual understanding, where issues of human security and development take center stage.”

He says his Rotary World Peace Fellowship to study at the University of Queensland in Australia, beginning in February 2009, echoes that ideal. Moreover, he believes the fellowship, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mombasa, Kenya, and District 9200 in East Africa, will help him achieve his career goal: “to play a lead role in bridging the policy gap between community and government, policymakers, and other actors in the promotion of human security and economic development.”

Hongo’s “modest background,” as he calls it, has driven him to work hard. Though he is the ninth of 10 children, seven of his siblings died before he was born, and he suffered the loss of his father, a fisherman, and his mother at an early age.

“I regarded myself a child of the community,” he says, referring to his upbringing by different relatives. “[They] provided me with the opportunity to live in various parts of the country,” instilling an appreciation of other languages and cultures.

In 2002, Hongo graduated with honors from Kenyatta University. The next year, as an intern with Kenya’s National Assembly, he traveled to remote parts of the country, meeting with citizens and assessing the implementation of the nation’s free primary education policy. He also helped analyze conflicts in rural communities and develop appropriate policies and mitigation measures.

As a program assistant with the Great Lakes Parliamentary Forum on Peace since 2004, Hongo has participated in several peace-building initiatives, he says, including interethnic conflict in Rwanda and Burundi, resource-based conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the small-arms problem in northern Kenya and southern Sudan, and displacement and refugee problems



Joseph Hongo (left) assesses the causes of conflict in Kenya’s Pokot District during a 2005 fact-finding mission.

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## Upcoming Events

Apr. 24	Topa Club Auction
Apr. 26	District Assembly
May 13	BBQ Team in action
May 17-18	Relay for Life
May 23	Club Anniversary Party
Jun. 15-18	Rotary International Convention
Jun. 27	Stepdown dinner
Jul. 4	Push-em Pull-em Parade
Aug. 2	VC Fair Parade
Oct. 4	Casino Night



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Hongo winds up a peace meeting between Pokot and Turkana community members in 2006. Photos courtesy of Joseph Hongo

in northern Uganda, Kenya, Zambia, and Tanzania. His objective in each case has been to link the affected communities with policymakers to lessen conflict.

“One of my most memorable experiences was observing the peace negotiation between the government of Uganda and Lord’s Resistance Army rebels in Juba, southern Sudan, in 2006,” he says. “I held talks with the rebels, where I implored them to abandon war and realize the value of human security.”

Rift Valley, which was plagued by violence after the national elections in December.

Though many are hoping for a positive outcome from the mediation process led by former United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan, “Kenyans must take individual responsibility in promoting that peace and justice they are calling for,” he says. “It may sometimes involve the sacrifice of certain interests, but eventually all Kenyans will enjoy the fruits of their hard work for generations to come.”

In February, Hongo traveled to assess the situation in Kenya’s north

## Thank you Rotary

Rotary,


I can’t thank you enough for giving me the opportunity to experience RYLA.

I learned so much that I know I will retain for the rest of my life. Before I went I was dreading the thought of “leadership camp.” But now, I know within that three days I have changed as a person and I have become a leader and everything I learned I will take and use it daily.

The great friends I made, the way I was able to speak out, and the memories created at RYLA are forever priceless. If I had to choose one thing, that was my favorite, I would choose my diversity class. Where everybody felt comfortable and opened up. I was able to really feel a part of these peoples lives and be there to help them through whatever the cause. So again thank ou for sponsoring me, this meant the world. I’ll always remember RYLA.

Sierra Garman

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
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This week’s raffle sponsor was JOHN BORNEMAN, who generously donated a home cooked dutch oven dinner! Thank you very much JOHN!! Our lucky winner was TOM HASHBARGER. Thank goodness it wasn’t HUSAM or CAROL!

We raised \$155, bringing our total to \$4,671.00!! Just in time for the beginning of the scholarship interviews!

Next week’s sponsor will be JIM EMCH, so remember to bring your raffle money!

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# Casino night is coming!

When: October 4, 2008

Where: Poinsettia Pavilion

Theme: Octoberfest

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

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