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# Meeting July 31, 2008

Reported by Bob Lynn



**Bob Lynn** introduced our guests and visiting Rotarians.

**President Deborah** rang the bell to call us to order.

**Chris Norstedt** led us in the Flag Salute.

Bob Lynn introduced guests. Kitty Lynn, jeweler from Ventura Rotary Downtown Club. Bob Tholl, an educator with Ventura College. Chuck Yunker his daughters Lauren and Shannon

**John Masterson** gave the invocation.

**John Borneman** led us in Song.

Lauren Yunker reported to us on her College career and to thank the club and **Pete & Tootie Gallagher** for the scholarship.

Past President, Joe Amandoli gave out the last two awards for his year. One to Rocky Ludes for being program chair and to Jim Emch for doing our

tax returns, etc. **Bill Spellman** for 23 years of perfect attendance.

**President Deborah** requested your old magazines for donation to community organizations.

She then reported on the Rotaract meeting last night.

**Bill** Spellman reported on the upcoming presentation of Rabbit Hole at the Ojai Arts



**John Masterson** gave our inspirational message.

Theater.

**Judy Hoag** started the campaign for making the Poinsettia sale. Contact your church and organizations.

Avenues of Service reports:

**Husam Hishmeh** Vocational service will meet at 5:30 today.

**Tom Swan** County Fair Parade on Saturday, bring the family, BBQ 23 August, need everyone.



**John Borneman** conducted our recognition program.

**Dave Anderson** reported on our sponsoring the kids in San Carlos Mexico. Trip to Nicaragua coming. Talk to **Tom Crozier** or **President Deborah. Tom Crozier** reported on the water well project and about a \$2000 donation to connect a well to some families. Another trip in November and January with the Templeton and Tulsa clubs to look at the water

**Jeff Hata** reminded us about getting busy on gathering items for donation to the live and silent auction. We also need ticket sales, tickets will be

projects. More information coming.

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# **Presidents Message ...**



Deborah Roberts President 2008-2009

Fellow Rotarians,

Wow! Ya'll are keeping me busy this year! It's the first of the month, and you know what that means – an update on how we're tracking to meet our 2008-2009 goals.

In this week's issue of The Breeze, you will find an email sent by Tom Crozier. As a member of this Club, I should have been aware of what is going on internationally. I didn't know the half of it.

We will have Club Assembly on Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. I hope attendance will be at an all-time high. We have so many projects, in all of our Avenues of Service, and we need your help! Whether you are interested in planning, organizing, chairing an event, or guiding our teams based on past experience, there is something you can be involved in. We are Rotarians, defined by "Service Above Self".

Yours in Rotary Service, Deborah (Pudlewski) Roberts President 2008-2009 Rotary Club of Ventura-East

## **Community Service:**

#1 July 4th Push-N-Pull-Em Parade

#5 We've just started a new project, delivering our magazines to the Silvercrest Home and the new VA retirement home! Thank you Wendy Pazen and Gene Cherry!

## **Club Service:**

#4 We do a fantastic job with our weekly bulletin, thank you to **Bob Lynn** and **Jeff Hata**!

#7 We've already had three "Family of Rotary" fellowship events!

## **New Generations:**

#4 We are participating in a literacy program with our speaker gifts. All of the books will be donated to a local school at the end of the year. But, we won't stop there – We will be participating in the Reading by 9 Program at Elmhurst Elementary.

#1 We are sponsoring a new, community-based Roaract Club!

And here's what we are working on now:

## **Vocational Service:**

#12 Did you know that The Rotary Club of Ventura-

President, cont'd on page 4

# 2008 - 2009 Club Board of Directors

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# Club Events

# **Programs**

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

**August 7, 2008** 

Civil Air Patrol - Capt. Anthony Schlothauer

August 14, 2008

Club Assembly

August 21, 2008

Workplace Violence - Larry Reynosa

August 28, 2008

Sherriff Bob Brooks

# **Greeters**

August 7, 2008

Ron Polito & Michael Scar

August 14, 2008

Nikki Sloan & Bill Spellman

August 21, 2008

Rich Stewart & Midge Stork
August 28, 2008

Joe Strohman & Floyd Gill

# **Fines**

Program Chair: Rich Stewart

**August 7, 2008** - TBA

August 14, 2008 - TBA

August 21, 2008 - TBA

**August 28, 2008** - TBA

# **Meetings**

#### **TBA**

**New Member Training Session** 

#### August 14, 2008

Vocational Service 2nd Thu/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

#### August 19, 2008

Board of Directors Meeting 3rd Tue/Month, Mimi's 7:00 AM

#### August 11, 2008

Club Service 2rd Mon/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

#### August 11, 2008

Community Service 2rd Mon/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

#### August 15, 2008

International Service
3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's Noon

#### August 21, 2008

New Generations
3rd Thu/Month, Marie Callender's 5:30 PM

#### **Every Monday**

Buena Interact Club Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM



Christine Weid aka "Garbage Lady", spoke to us about recycling in Ventura.

available next week.

Happy dollars. Monte Widders to thank the BBQ team. Joe Strohman for the Kevin Costner event. And for Ron Polito and his work on it. Past President, Joe Amandoli thanks for John Borneman cooking dinner and being invited by Tom Hashbarger. Steve Phillips for his experience in NYC. Chuck Yunker for support of Lauren

**John Borneman** did a recognition session on the months name.

Pete Gallagher announced where to

park for the fair parade.

Nikki Sloan introduced our program

=== Bob Lynn

Christine Weid, Environmental Services Coordinator for the City of Ventura, provides civic organizations and schools educational programs that teach environmental responsibility. The self proclaimed "Garbage Lady" came today to "talk trash"!

Did you know that each day every person creates 4 ½ pounds of garbage? And, for the past 20 years this number hasn't changed? Did you know that there is a vortex of trash off the coast of Hawaii that is over 1 mile deep of trash that has collected where all the current align? In 2006, 251 million tons of solid waste filled our landfills and that is for the most part, only 50% of the trash produced. Most cities mandate that 50% - 70% of trash be diverted into recyclables. In the city of Ventura, 70% is diverted now, well exceeding the mandated percentage. Increased trash means increased green house gases, which means less oxygen for all of us to breath. Not only does recycling produce less green house gases…recycling produces jobs, saves oil and resources, saves trees and landfill space.

Many items can be recycled- some common items that we are all aware of like paper, glass, or cardboard boxes, but did you know that tennis shoes can be recycled? The tracks at both Ventura and Buena High School are made from recycled tennis shoes! Believe it or not, recycled items can be made into backpacks, frizbees, shirts, socks, carpeting, pens, hats, even currency can be recycled into pens! Do you have a lot of food scraps? Perhaps you should consider a composting Red Wiggler worm box to eat your scraps!

Don't recycle the following: wax coated paper (like cereal box inserts), Styrofoam, fluorescent light bulbs., palm fronds or yucca.

For more information of what you can do to eliminate some of your trash, check your local Trash Flash newsletter provided by the City of Ventura monthly.

Nikki Sloan

## President, cont'd from page 2

East is a member of the Chamber of Commerce? That's right, you can attend and represent our Club!!! We are also planning to sponsor a Connection Breakfast in the Spring of 2009!

### **Club Service:**

#2 We will have a Club Assembly on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

#5 We are working to get our club website back up. This time around we may actually be able to take poinsettia orders directly from the site!!! Thank you, **Bob Lynn**!

#9 PRLS (Potential Rotary Leadership Seminars) will begin again in October. Would you consider completing these classes? I remember how much fun I had attending with my friends. Beyond the socializing though, this was by far the best series of professional classes I have ever taken... and I've taken my share! Basic PRLS will start October 4<sup>th</sup>, followed by Master PRLS 1 through 5. Please consider helping the club with this requirement.

#10 We had Jan Lindsay, Jeff Hata and Debbie Zuniga attend our Grants seminar last month. Jeff Hata, Wendy Pazen and I will attend the Membership Seminar on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Would you like to join us? It's just 3 hours of you morning! Attendance at the Foundation Seminar will fulfill this requirement. More details to come...

## **International Service:**

#1 Several of us will be traveling to Nicaragua in search of new ways to help the communities there.

**#2** We currently partner with multiple clubs on some of the Nicaragua projects.

If you are involved in a project not on this list, please get me the details so we can track our progress appropriately!!! I plan to have regular monthly updates here in The Breeze.

Did you attend the Club, Community, Vocational, New Generations, International Service meetings, or a Club Social with at least five Rotarians present last month? Please make sure to let Judy know so you get the attendance credit!

# **Upcoming Events**

Aug. 9	Membership Seminar
Aug. 16	Master PRLS 2
Aug. 23	BBQ Team Thousand Oaks
	Master PRLS 3
Sep. 27	Master PRLS 5
Oct. 4	Casino Night
Oct. 10 - 12	District Conference
Oct. 18	3rd Annual Piggy BBQ
Oct. 4 Oct. 10 - 12	Master PRLS 5 Casino Night District Conference



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**Personnel Committee** – Calling ALL PAST PRESIDENTS! We will meet soon to discuss how effectively all members are contributing to our Club and our projects to the best of our abilities!

**Rotaract Advisor** – We are looking for a Rotaract Advisor to work with a core group of young adults as *they* work to start a new Rotaract Club here in town. We have several college students and young professionals to run with the ball. All you need to do is assist at their meetings when needed, be available when they need direction, and invite them to our Club meetings on a regular basis.

New Generations – Gary Moratz NEEDS your HELP! Gary is an incredibly committed Rotarian, commuting from Ontario and Chatsworth to be a part of our amazing Club. Volunteer to be a permanent member of the New Generations committee and you'll get the opportunity to be a part RYLA and our new Rotaract Club.

**Grants Committee** – Jan Lindsay is our Chairman! Jan could is looking for a couple of individuals who can creatively find ways to fund our projects.

Vance could use some help planning our yearly Christmas Party... Who likes to party??? Anyone???

Club Service, Community Servce, International Service and Vocational Service – Please consider becoming a permanent member of one or more of these committees. The more people we have helping with projects, the more FUN and REWARDING they are! Meeting times are in The Breeze.





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# **Weekly Raffle**

We did not have a raffle this week. Our total remains at \$395.

Carol Marquez-Olson will provide this week's prize. So make sure to bring your raffle money.

Deborah



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# Casino night is coming! When: October 4, 2008

When: October 4, 2008 Where: Poinsettia Pavilion Theme: Octoberfest

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

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# Nicaragua Update

"Hi All:

As you know we have a resource in my house in Nicaragua and our administrative staff there. I would like to just update you on how those resources have been used in the past, starting with Monday morning. These items are in addition to administering our ongoing projects in Granada and providing a haven in which exceptional students from very difficult circumstances can study and interact with people from outside their villages.

8-4-08 through 8-11-08: Assisting a group of engineering students traveling with Engineers Without Borders to test various water wells for contamination and suggest solutions.

7-30-08: Worked through Casa de las Mujeres taking a Canadian group to our pre-school. They ended up purchasing a substantial portion of the educational materials in preparation for the school year beginning January 2009.

July 5 through July 26, 2008: Hosted a group of 5 Cate School students, plus Cate English Teacher Ross Robbins who conducted daily English classes for kids from Pantanal.

January through April, 2008: Assisted the Tulsa Rotary club with transfer of the drilling project from Masaya to Leon, including logistics, customs clearing, communications, and translation services.

November 2007: Hosted a group consisting of hydrologists, reporters, and a neurosurgeon from the San Luis Obispo and Templeton Rotary Clubs to evaluate and conduct feasibility analysis for the long term management of the water wells, and of the Dacheli Saria Case (our spina bifida girl).

October 2007: Assisted a group from the South San Francisco Rotary Club to purchase recycling equipment for use at the La Chureca Dump in Managua. Google "La Chureca" and I don't think you will ever feel sorry for yourselves again.

March-June 2007: Completed Matching Grant for installation of computer lab at Casa Ave Maria school in Masaya, unfortunately this thwarted plans by incoming Central American DG Raul Jarquin to maintain the funds in an account held by him for an uncertain period and for reasons unknown. Bridges were burned and the Masaya Club effectively disintegrated. In any case the computer lab was completed and the Grant's final report was filed.

Early to Mid 2007: Assisted an exploratory team from Rotaplast to evaluate the possibilities of performing cleft palate surgeries in Nicaragua. Rotaplast's final evaluation that inter-club turf battles and expectations by Nicaraguan Clubs to profit from the mission resulted in its cancellation. However, our Nicaraguan Administrator, did travel to Tacna, Peru for 2 weeks on a Rotaplast mission there. From the experience gained we hope to sponsor a mission in the future.

Pre-May 2007:

Assisted in all Tulsa drilling projects since 2004.

Hosted numerous trips by doctors studying health care in impoverished communities sponsored by the Gates Foundation.

Organized a minor league baseball team, the Novatos de Pantanal, in Pantanal. The team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in its division in its final year, after which funding dried up.

Hosted numerous individuals interested in studying poverty related issues. Somewhat disappointingly, most of these groups come from other than Rotary, although the opportunity to use our resources has been more heavily marketed to Rotary than any other organization.

Hosted various trips by our club to Nicaragua.

I originally conceived of the house and our staff as a base of operations to study poverty related issues in one of the most poverty stricken countries in the Americas. My vision has not changed, but somehow I have failed in getting my own club very involved. Other Clubs and organizations have seized the opportunity, but for some reason our club has lagged the heard. I hope that in the future we can do better and I am looking for suggestions as to how we can do that.

Tom Crozier."