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# Meeting March 26, 2009

Reported by Harriet Clune



**Carol Marquez-Olson** was happy to be at Rotary.

President Deborah Roberts rang the bell at noon to begin our meeting. Our greeters were Tom Swan and Vance Thompson. The inspirational message was delivered by Michelle Mercado who spoke about reaching our goals: work and try hard. The flag salute was led by Tom Swan.

Introduction of guests was presented by **Dick Gallagher.** Our guests

were **Robin Fosler** from the Tender Heart Maternity Home and **Lois Christiansen.** Our visiting Rotarian was **Hoot.** Our song today was "KCLU" to the tune of "Turkey In The Straw."

#### **Announcements:**

❖ President Deborah announced that our Membership Committee, Tom Swan, Jill Gregorchuk,

Michelle Mercado, Floyd Gill and Tom Hashbarger, will be sitting at the "Visitors" table in the back corner of the room. They will sit and visit with our guests/prospective member so that they feel very welcome and will return.

❖ President

Deborah announced
a short Board Meeting



**Michelle Mercado** gave our inspirational message.

right after today's meeting.

♦ Drawing: Deborah
Perkins: The drawing
item today donated by
Dick Gallagher: \$50.
Gift Certificate to Trader
Joes! Thanks, Dick. The
winner was Wendy Pazen.
Congrats and enjoy! We
raised \$100. today, bringing
our total to \$3278...



**Jill Gregorchuk** led us in our Rotary Recognition sesson.

❖ International Service: Dave Anderson:

**Jan Lindsay** will be leaving for Nicaragua on May 2. If you want to go, see Jan. We also received a matching grant for the English and Vocational classes we are sponsoring in Nicaragua.

- ❖ Community Service: **Tom Swan:** We have 4 BBQ's set: April 23 for 125 people, May 2 for 250, August 22 or 200 and August 29 for 250. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS and COMMITMENT. And we need MUSCLE for May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- ❖ Club Service: **Jeff Hata:** announced that Casino Night will be October 17, a Halloween Theme with Costumes encouraged, a smaller casino venue, a dinner/dance and a Poker Tournament all afternoon.

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# Presidents Message ...



Deborah Roberts President 2008-2009

Rotarians of Ventura-East,

On Friday I was asked to vote on becoming a partner district, one of 100 to participate in the Rotary Foundation Future Vision pilot program. Per the overview below, each President was asked to represent their club in an effort to win a selection from The Rotary Foundation. I voted "YES" as did most of the clubs in Group 7. While we won't know of the final selections until June, I encourage you and peruse through some

of the changes we will see either next year or in 2013. Additional information can be found at http://www.rotary.org/en/members/runningadistrict/futurevisionpilotprogram/Pages/ridefault.aspx

Pilot overview – From the RI web site:

The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Pilot is a three-year test of the new grant structure offered in the Foundation's Future Vision Plan. To simplify the grant-making process, the plan offers only two types of grants: Rotary Foundation District Grants and Rotary Foundation Global Grants. Together, these grants will allow clubs and districts to carry out a broad spectrum of humanitarian and educational efforts, both locally and abroad.

The Rotary Foundation provides a Power Point Presentation, A Foundation for the Future, and accompanying script (PDF) to help educate club-level Rotarians about the Future Vision Plan. You may want to use this presentation, as well as the Future Vision frequently asked questions document (PDF), at an upcoming district event where you will communicate with Rotary clubs about the possibility of serving as a Future Vision pilot district.

All districts are encouraged to apply for participation in the pilot, which begins 1 July 2010. Districts selected for the pilot must agree to follow the new grant structure throughout the pilot and to not participate in any of the current Foundation programs, with the exception of Polio Plus and the Rotary Centers for International Study.

Selected districts will be notified by 1 June 2009 and given an opportunity to accept or decline the invitation to become a pilot district before the pilot districts are announced to the Rotary world. Districts selected for the pilot must appoint a district Rotary Foundation chair who will serve for the three years of the pilot (2010-13). The district governor for 2010-11 may choose to extend the current DRFC chair's term or appoint a different Rotarian.

Yours in Rotary Service, Deborah Pudlewski-Roberts President 2008-2009

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Henry Oster	

#### **Avenues of Service Directors**

Jeff Hata	Club Service
Husam Hishmeh	Vocational Service
Tom Swan	Community Service
Gary Moratz	New Generations
Dave Anderson	International Service
Mark Smith	Interact

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#### **The Four Way Test**

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

April 2, 2009

Human Trafficking - Juliette Chandler **April 9, 2009** 

Offsite Meeting - Ventura Botanical Gardents

April 16. 2009

Job Shadow Day - Husam Hishmeh April 23, 2009

Charles Darwins Explorations - Dr. Rainer Buschman

#### **Greeters**

April 2, 2009

Jim Word & Deborah Zuniga
April 9, 2009

Dave Anderson & Bob Beckwith

April 16, 2009

John Borneman & Rafael Canton April 23, 2009 Harriet Clune & Andy Corliss

### **Rotary Recognition**

Recognition Chair: Rich Stewart

April 2, 2009 - TBA

April 9, 2009 - TBA

April 16, 2009 - TBA

**April 23, 2009 -** TBA

## **Meetings**

**TBA** 

**New Member Training Session** 

April 9, 2009

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

#### **April 15 2009**

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

April 13, 2009

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

**April 13, 2009** 

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

April 21, 2009

International Service
3rd Tue/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

April 14, 2009

New Generations 2nd Tue/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr 5:30 PM

**Every Monday** 

Buena Interact Club Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM There should be something for everyone! And, **Steve Phillips** and **Jill Gregorchuk** will share the responsibilities of reporting our meetings...bless them!!!!!!

❖ Vocational Service: **Husam Hishmeh:** April 9 will be the Botanical Gardens meeting for our Rotary Club at Grants Park. A box lunch will be served. Put it on your calendars! Also, the April 16<sup>th</sup> job shadow day needs drivers. Maps will come. See Husam.



Jeanne Benitez spoke to us about FoodShare.

❖ Relay for Life: **Michelle Mercado** announced that the Comedy

Club Restaurant will offer a Rotary Coupon to help raise money for the Relay for Life. How great!!

Happy Dollars came from: John Borneman for his first date in 48 years! They attended the play at the Rubicon and thought "Fiddler" was a great hit. Another Happy Dollar from Bob Beckwith for his 88th Birthday and his Doctor's comment that he was in great shape. Rich Stewart gave a happy dollar for his Mentor, Harriet Clune, and for closing his first two real estate transactions! Congrats, Rich. Bill Hicks recognized Nikke **Sloan** for her help with his house on the beach...she's a top notch professional. Midge Stork complimented Bob Pazen as having the patience of Job...or was it the age of Job?? He worked with the Brain Injury folks and did a great job. Thanks, **Bob. Wendy Pazen** thanked Bob Lynn for all his help. Husam Hishmeh thanked Bill **Grav** for the wonderful time they had in Hawaii...from the donation to Casino Night last year. Jill Gregorchuk complimented the Rubicon for their wonderful production of "Fiddler." Bob Pazen announced that there will be a special tequila tasting at the Topa Tower Club.

**Rocky Ludes** gave a happy dollar for the "crows" doing a mating dance, spiraling with locked feet...and then found out they were Falcons. **Deborah Roberts** announced that she is an Aunt again: a boy, Brady, 8 lbs. 14 oz.

Rotary Recognition was presented by Jill Gregorchuk. She asked us about Bobby's, bubble & squeak, barmy, chuffed, boot, bangers and last, but not least, she asked for a definition of a "rubber." On that one, all the answers were wrong...it is an eraser! The "smarties" in our group were: Carol Marquez-Olson, Harriet Clune, Tom Swan, Gene Cherry, Dave Anderson, Midge Stork and Michael Scar.

Our program was introduced by Nikki Sloan.

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Jeanne Benetiz, Development Manager, of Food Share joined us today to discuss Ventura County's needs and how Food Share helps. FOOD Share is a food bank that houses and distributes millions of pounds of food per year to the hungry of Ventura County. They operate a physical plant of roughly 36,000 square feet of warehouse space in addition to the support staff offices and administration. The food bank employs a core staff in key positions to receive, inventory, store and distribute food to disseminate via a partner and agency distribution method. Food share feeds over 40,000 people each month and over 2,000 kids every day under after school programs.

FOOD Share is a member of America's Second Harvest the national network of food banks as well as is a member of the California Association of Food Banks. FOOD Share also has a subsidiary distribution partner in Kern County the two food banks share product and work collaboratively to serve both counties.

Programs include:

#### **Snack Attack**

Provides nutritious after school snacks for low income children at 13 locations throughout Ventura County. Call FoodShare 983-7100 ext. 134 for a program near you.

#### **Senior Nutrition**

FoodShare delivers prepared frozen meals and supplemental food delivered to home bound seniors age 60 and over.

#### **Brown Bag Program**

The Brown Bag Program provides supplemental bags of groceries for low income seniors at 32 sites throughout Ventura County.

#### **Nutrition Education**

Nutrition education lessons for children and adults to learn about and taste new and healthy foods through a grant funded by the California Nutrition Network.

For more information contact: www,foodshare.com

And, thank you to Food Share for partnering with us for our Annual Casino night!

Best Regards, Nikki Sloan

## **Upcoming Events**

May 2	2009-10 Board Retreat
May 23	Paul Harris Night
July 4	Push em Pull em Parade
July 17	Step Down
Aug 8	Ventura County Fair Parade
	Harbor Fireworks Cruise
Sept 24	Ventura Chamber Mixer
Oct. 23 - 25	District 5240 Confernce



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# **Rotary Centers have potential to** change the world

By Arnold R. Grahl Rotary International News -- 19 March 2009

The Rotary World Peace **Fellowships** program makes a difference.

Colin Spurway, a 2003-05 peace fellow, says the program equipped him to make the world a more peaceful, just, and sustainable place.

Speaking to regional Foundation Rotary coordinators (RRFCs) during a training meeting Chicago, Spurway thanked The Rotary Foundation for its support of the Rotary Centers for International Studies peace and conflict resolution, and he urged the RRFCs to promote them.

"Only Rotary has the capacity, internationalism, patience, and worldview to invest in something as imaginative, hopeful, progressive but

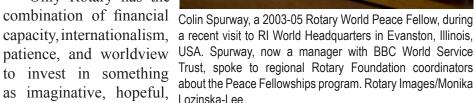
intangible -- as peace," he said.

Spurway, a native of Scotland, added that peace is not a goal that can simply be checked off a list. "Peace is a continuing process. It is slow, long-term work."

In introducing Spurway to the RRFCs, Duane Sterling, Rotary Centers Committee member and aide to the RI president-nominee, suggested that

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# Weekly Raffle

Thank you to Dick Gallagher for donating \$50 Gift Certificate to Trader Joe's for our raffle prize.

Our lucky winner was Wendy Pazen.

We raised \$100 bringing our total to \$3,278.

Deborah

the peace studies program receives less publicity than it deserves.

"The Rotary Centers come in right behind polio in priority," said Sterling. "But we are not giving it the kind of attention we need to be giving it. The program has one of the greatest potentials to change the world for generations to come."

Spurway studied at the Rotary Center at the University of Queensland and spent his fourth semester at the University of California, Berkeley.

"My experience of the fellowship was made particularly rich by the semester in Berkeley," Spurway told the RRFCs. "But I know that I speak for the overwhelming majority of alumni when I say that the fellowship has proven to be of great value after graduation."

After managing peace-building and development programs for international charities in South and Central Asia, Spurway now works for the BBC World Service Trust in London as a manager for international development projects in Bangladesh.

He said the peace studies program contributes substantially to Rotary's image. It is also a feather in the cap of the participating universities.

Eddie Blender, Rotary Centers Major Gifts Initiative chair, said US\$40 million has been raised toward the goal of creating a \$95 million endowment fund by 2015 to sustain the program.

Alluding to a famous speech that Robert F. Kennedy made at the University of Cape Town, South Africa, in 1966, Blender called the approximately 400 graduates of the program "our ripples of hope. With them and with our peace centers, peace is possible."





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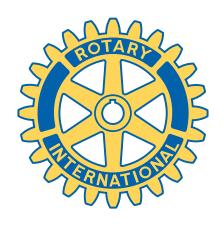


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¶ Paul Harris Fellow



# Announcement

The following has been proposed as a new member of the Ventura-East Rotary Club:

Name:	Robin Fosler
Classification:	Non-Profit
Proposer:	Jeff Hata

Any Objections to this person becoming a member of our club should be brought to the attention of the President, President-Elect or any Director within ten (10) days of this publication.

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