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Programs

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes & Deborah Perkins

January 13, 2011

Life of Ronald Regan - Mel Cheatham

January 20, 2011

Sheriff Geoff Dean - Sheriff Geoff Dean

January 27, 2011

Avenues of Service

February 3, 2011

Alternative Dispute Resolution - Kevin Daly

Greeters

January 13, 2011

Chad Gibson & Ken Kagan

January 20, 2011

Jan Lindsay & Maria Lopez

January 27, 2011

Rocky Ludes & Mignonne Hubina

February 3, 2011

Carol Marquez-Olson & Sam Marsh

Fundraisers

Nightmare on the Hill

October 29, 2011???

Next meeting is

at

time

Poinsettia Sales

Delivery Date

December 1, 2011

Youth Soccer Tournament

Date TBA

Next meeting is

at

time

Raffle Prize Donors

January 13 - Jordan Eller

January 20 - Bob Pazen

January 27 - Ken Kagan

February 3 - Danielle Brinkman

Club Events

Important Dates

District Mid-Terms (Bakersfield).....	Jan. 15
International Assembly	Jan. 19
Master PRLS4	Jan. 22
Master PRLS1	Feb. 5
SoCal PETS	Feb. 25 - 27
Master PRLS2	Feb. 26
Ventura Chamber of Commerce Breakfast.....	Mar. 3
Fat Tuesday Party!!!	Mar. 8
Irish Festival	Mar. 12
Master PRLS5	Mar. 12
Basic PRLS	Apr. 8
District Assembly	Apr. 9
RYLA	Apr. 15 - 17
R.I. Convention New Orleans	May 22 - 25
Wendy Pazen's Stepdown.....	Jun 10
Deepa Willingham's Stepdown.....	Jun 25
Tom Swan's First meeting	Jul. 7

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Presidents Message ...



Wendy Pazen
President 2010-2011

Last Tuesday evening, District 5240 was treated to an exciting Foundation Gala Event with **RI President Ray Klinginsmith**. What a wonderful and charismatic human being!! It was such a pleasure to meet **President Ray** as he worked the reception area and then made a special point of going to each table and shaking hands and having photos taken with all of us. He seemed to really be enjoying himself as much as we were.

Thank you to **DG Deepa Willingham, Brenda Cressey** and **Vicki Arndt** for putting on such an amazing evening for our District. **DG Deepa** stepped outside the box, once again (remember the District Conference), and brought the President to the people! It was a very, very special evening.

On Saturday, **PEN Jordan Eller, Group 7 Rep. Deborah Roberts**, and I attended the mid-terms in Oxnard. **PE Tom Swan** will be attending in Bakersfield when he returns from vacation. Thank you all for giving up your Saturday to serve Rotary and your club.

Mid-terms was a wonderful reminder to me that we only have 5 months left to try to accomplish the goals the club has requested. The **BIG** goal was to establish an on-going Major Fundraiser. We came up with The Irish Festival of Ventura! Now we have entered the crunch time. **Jeff Hata** and I have been co-chairing this event for almost a year and we have a remarkable group of RCVE members on our committee who are really pulling this together.

Our Irish committee consists of the following:

Harriet Clune, Rich Stewart, Dave Anderson, Deborah Roberts, Jan Lindsay, Tom Swan, Terry McBreen, Maria Lopez, Deborah Perkins, Craig Miller, Carol Marquez-Olson, Bob Pazen and non-member Linda Ankney. We have also received advice from Jim Monahan and Nan Drake.

THANK YOU COMMITTEE MEMBERS!!!

We still have room for more helpers!

We will need to have our **WHOLE** club, spouses, friends, relatives, Interactors, etc. signing up to work this full day event! This is our time to really do something worthwhile for our club and our community. Ask yourselves why you are **Rotarians**, and then sign up and serve!!!

Have a wonderful week! And remember "Service Above Self"!

Wendy

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Floyd Gill	New Generations
Judy Hoag	International Service
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Meeting January 6, 2011

Reported by Jeff Hata



A.C. gave our Vocational Minute

President Wendy Pazen invited everyone to lunch, guests and visiting Rotarians first!

President Wendy thanked our greeters Judy Hoag and Tim Hughes.

Deborah Roberts led us in the salute to the Flag. A.C. gave our Vocational Minute.

Mark Rook introduced our guests and visiting Rotarians

which went rather quickly since we did not have any guests or visiting Rotarians.

President Wendy asked the club for a moment of silence to honor John Borneman's daughter who was struck and killed by a drunk driver over the holidays.

President Wendy then asked for January Birthday's and Anniversaries.

Vance Thompson, Floyd Gill and Jim Emch will all celebrate birthdays in January.

Terry McBreen announced that our raffle today was a \$50 Target card donated by Terry McBreen.

P r e s i d e n t s
Announcements:

Robert Jacobi has resigned from the club due to business pressures.

The joint meeting went well and was a lot of fun. Thank you to all who attended.

President Wendy and Bob Pazen and Bill Spellman attended the Foundation Gala. R.I. President Klinginsmith is very personable and managed to stop at every table and meet everyone who attended.

Is anybody interested in starting up the piggy banks again? I do not recall anybody raising thier hand, so I guess the answer was "No."

District Mid-Terms will be on January 8th and the Poverty Conference will be January 29th.

The Irish Festival is coming March 12th. It is imperative that we get full club participation including spouses and significant others. Please help us to make this first Fesitval a success.



Chad Gibson

President Wendy then inducted Mignonne Hubina and Chad Gibson into the club! Welcome Mignonne and Chad.

Avenues of Service Reports:

NewGenerations(Floyd Gill) showed off a Wells Fargo stuffed horse that was in the Rose Parade.

Happy Dollars: Terry McBreen, Bob Pazen, Bill Hicks, Carol Marquez-Olson, Rich Stewart and Wendy Pazen.

Bob Pazen announced that one of the Keynote speakers for the R.I. Convention in New Orleans will be Bill Gates. Jordan Eller made an announcement for a Poker Tournament on January 29th to raise money for Hope Goss and her family. Hope is suffering from stage 3 cancer and is in need to help support her family and her medical expenses.

Terry McBreen then conducted our raffle and the lucky winner of the \$50 Target gift card donated by Terry McBreen was Bill Spellman. Congratulations Bill!

Our speaker, Cheri Kurman, is a local attorney who has been certified as a specialist in Estate Planning, Probate and Trust Law by the California Board of Legal Specialization. She is on the Board of Directors for the Ventura County Bar Association and sits as the Chair of the Estate Planning & Probate Law Section of the bar. Ms. Kurman is the legal liaison for the Wellness and Caregiver Center of Ventura County. Ms. Kurman's presentation focused on the importance of estate planning and the components of an estate plan.

We first learned that if you die owning assets worth over \$100,000 and you do not have those assets in a trust, your estate will have to be probated in the court system. The probate process generally takes at least six months, often much longer. The probate process is also very expensive. Attorney's fees are set by statute and are based on the total value of the assets in the estate. For example, an estate with assets worth \$400,000 (think a small house) would have probate attorney's fees of \$11,000. In addition, there will be filing fees of \$800 or more.



Mignonne Hubina

The probate process may be avoided by a person establishing a trust during his or her lifetime. The person establishing the trust is called the settlor. Most of the settlor's assets would be put in the trust, meaning the trust would be considered the owner of the assets, not the person. The settlor maintains control of the assets because he or she controls the trust.

Upon the settlor's death, the assets are distributed per the trust's terms. It is not necessary to go to court to distribute the assets upon the settlor's death. This saves time, money, and a lot of hassle. In addition, details of the settlor's assets are kept private and are not made a part of the public court record.

In addition to establishing a trust, Ms. Kurman recommends that your estate plan include a Financial Power of Attorney and a Health Care Directive. Through a Financial Power of Attorney, you may name someone to take care of your financial matters on your behalf in the event that you become unable to do so. A Health Care Directive allows you to appoint someone to make health care decisions for you should you become unable to do so yourself.

Ms. Kurman recommends that you have a team of consultants when creating your estate plan including an attorney, accountant, and financial planner. She also recommends that you review your estate plan annually.

You may tune-in to hear Ms. Kurman on her radio show "Grey Matters" on AM 1400 KKZZ every Friday from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm to learn about the resources available to seniors and their caregivers, and other issues related to aging.

== Deborah Perkins



Cheri Kurman spoke to us about trusts vs wills.

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Rotary names attorney John Hewko as its new top executive

Rotary International News -- 12 January 2011

Rotary International has named John Hewko, an attorney with extensive international experience in both the private and public sectors, to be the global humanitarian service organization's new top executive, serving as its general secretary.

In this position, Hewko will manage more than 600 employees of Rotary International and its charitable arm, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. Headquartered in Evanston, Illinois, USA, with regional offices in seven countries, Rotary's Secretariat supports the



John Hewko

activities of more than 33,000 Rotary clubs in over 200 countries and geographical areas, with a combined membership of 1.2 million men and women. The Rotary Foundation annually distributes over \$180 million to fund a variety of educational programs and humanitarian projects throughout the world.

Hewko is a former partner with the international law firm of Baker & McKenzie and was vice president at the Millennium Challenge Corporation, a U.S. government agency established in 2004 to deliver U.S. foreign assistance to the world's poorest countries. He begins work on 1 July at a key moment in Rotary's 106-year history. Hewko will play a lead role in the implementation of the organization's newly revised strategic plan that envisions Rotary's expanded engagement in areas such as maternal and child health, water and sanitation, disease prevention and treatment, basic education and literacy, economic and community development, and peace studies and conflict prevention/resolution. His tenure could also see the

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Weekly Raffle

Our weekly raffle was a \$50 Target gift card generously donated by Terry McBreen.

We raised \$83 this week bringing our total to \$2478 for this Rotary Year!

Our lucky winner was Bill Spellman! Congratulations Bill.

Remember, all proceeds from the weekly raffle go directly to help fund college scholarships for Buena High School Seniors

Again, thank you to Terry McBreen for their generous donation and congratulations to Bill Spellman!



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successful conclusion of Rotary's principal humanitarian initiative: its 25-year campaign to eradicate the crippling disease polio, a goal that is more than 99 percent complete.

Hewko also will interact with government and business leaders to enhance Rotary's global visibility and forge new strategic partnerships worldwide to achieve common objectives and maximize the use of resources. He also will work to expand and strengthen Rotary's current relationship with organizations such as the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organization, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), and others.

In announcing Hewko's hiring, Rotary International President Ray Klinginsmith hailed his "visionary leadership" and predicted that under Hewko's leadership Rotary will "continue to grow in numbers, stature, and involvement in making the world a better place."

"Rotary is fortunate to have attracted a candidate with John Hewko's proven ability and extensive international experience," Klinginsmith said. "His leadership will be an important asset for Rotary in the next few years."

During his 15 years at Baker & McKenzie, Hewko specialized in international corporate transactions in emerging markets. He participated in the establishment of the firm's Moscow office and was the managing partner of its offices in Kyiv and Prague. While in Ukraine in the early

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1990s, Hewko assisted the working group that prepared the initial draft of the new Ukrainian post-Soviet constitution and was a charter member of the first Rotary club in Kyiv. Prior to joining Baker & McKenzie, he worked for leading Brazilian and Argentine law firms and later with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher in Washington and New York handling Latin American and project finance transactions.

In 2004, Hewko entered public service with the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC). As vice president for operations and compact development, Hewko had primary responsibility for managing MCC's relationship with its 26 partner countries in Africa, Asia, South America, the Middle East, and the former Soviet Union. During his tenure he oversaw the development, negotiation, and approval of foreign assistance agreements with 18 countries totaling \$6.3 billion for projects in infrastructure, agriculture, water, sanitation, health, and education. For the past year, he has been a non-resident senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, where his writing has focused on international development and foreign policy issues.

Hewko is a 1985 graduate of Harvard Law School, and holds a master's degree from Oxford University (where he studied as a Marshall Scholar) and a bachelor's degree from Hamilton College in Clinton, New York. He speaks six languages.

"I am delighted to be joining Rotary and honored to be able to participate in the organization's mission to promote world peace and understanding by addressing some of the root causes of conflict, such as poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy, and the global water and sanitation crisis," Hewko said. "Rotary's global membership of 1.2 million business and professional leaders -- supported by a dedicated, professional staff -- is a powerful resource that is making a meaningful global and grassroots contribution to that goal. Just look at what Rotary already has accomplished in the area of polio prevention and eradication."

Hewko emerged from a field of 440 potential candidates for Rotary's top job. The Rotary search committee worked with Korn/Ferry International, the world's largest executive search firm. Hewko replaces Edwin Futa, who is retiring after 10 years as general secretary.

Hewko and his wife, Margarita, have a daughter, Maria, who graduates this year from high school in the Washington, D.C., area.