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### **Programs**

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes & Deborah Perkins

#### October 20, 2011

Pt. Hueneme Harbor - Mary Anne Rooney

October 27, 2011

Club Assembly

November 3, 2011

District Governor Wade Nomura - Official Visit

November 10, 2011

Military Bugle Player - Howard Hudson

#### Greeter

October 20, 2011 - Nikki Sloan
October 27, 2011 - Jim Word
November 3, 2011 - Jeff Hata
November 10, 2011 - Carol Marquez-Olson
November 17, 2011 - Terry McBreen
December 1, 2011 - Chad Gibson
December 8, 2011 - Deborah Roberts
December 15, 2011 - Jim Word

## Club Events

## **Important Dates**

District Conference	
Master PRLS3	Oct 29
D.G. Wade's Visit	
Master PRLS4	Nov 19
Master PRLS1	Dec 10
Club Christmas Party	Dec 10
Mid Terms	Jan 7
Mid Terms	Jan 14
Master PRLS 2	Jan 21
Mid Terms	Feb 4
Poverty Conference	Feb 4
Foundation Gala	Feb 4
Master PRLS5	Feb 11
Fat Tuesday Party	Feb 21
PETS	Feb 24 - 26
District Assembly	Apr 7
Basic PRLS	
RYLA	Apr 19 - 22
Rotarians at Work Day	Apr 28
R.I. Convention	May 6 - 9
D.G. Wade's Demotion	

#### **Fundraisers**

Poinsettia Sales Delivery Date December 1, 2011

Rotary Bullseye Shooting Contest July 4, 2012

> Latin Music Festival July 28, 2012

for information on fundraisers go to: www.RotaryVenturaEast.org

#### Raffle Prize Donors

October 20 - Nikki Sloan October 27 - John Masterson November 3 - Joe Strohman November 10 - Carol Marquez-Olson

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## Presidents Message ...



Tom Swan
President 2011-2012

Fellow Rotarians;

This is getting to be some busy times for us. Thank you to all of you who made the trek out to Oxnard for the offsite meeting at the Rescue Mission Alliance. This was a rewarding experience for me. I had not given much thought to how Rescue Missions operated and I gained valuable insight last Thursday.

We also gained an opportunity. Since we no longer have an alliance with the Salvation Army ors a Thanksgiving dinner, the Rescue Mission

to feed needy seniors a Thanksgiving dinner, the Rescue Mission in Oxnard has asked us to help them serve their annual dinner on Wednesday, November 23 (the day before Thanksgiving), and we readily accepted. So please put that on your calendar to come out and help; the Rescue Mission expects to server 1200 or more dinners that day.

We have also been asked to help out at the Crab Fest at the District Conference on Sunday, October 23. It seems the district organizers of the conference will be short-handed due to some last minute cancellations and they are going to need a great deal of help serving the 700 POUNDS of pre-cooked crab meat they have contractually ordered. Please come up to Carpinteria on Sunday and help us feed visiting Rotarians all-you-can-eat crab.

Of course that is just another reason, albeit a great one, to come to the District Conference this weekend and celebrate with Rotarians from as far away as Paso Robles and China Lake. Someone in the district (I wouldn't doubt if it was the China Lakers) created a "special" cocktail in Wade Nomura's honor. Hmmm, as Wade doesn't drink, I wonder how much alcohol is in it? And when it comes to parties, you do not want to miss the fun and games our very own Ventura Rotaract Club has cooked up for the event on Saturday and Sunday. Let's just say you may want to think about not driving home until the party is over...sometime around November.

And one other thing on the calendar for October/November; DG Wade Nomura will be making his official visit to our club on November 03 . We look forward to showing Wade and his lovely wife Roxanne just how honorable and respectable our club is and how polite we are to authority figures. I am sure DG Wade will walk away wishing he was a full-time member of our club.

That's all I have for now, except to say let's all show Carpinteria the true definition of party.

Best to all, Tom

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## **Meeting October 13, 2011**

Reported by Jeff Hata



Dick Gallagher led us in the Flag Salute.

President Tom Swan invited everyone to lunch, guests and visiting Rotarians first!

President Tom started the meeting just a little early so that we could get a tour of the Rescue Mission.

Dick Gallagher led us in in the salute to the Flag.

President Tom thanked our greeter Deborah Roberts. Nikki Sloan introduced guests

and visiting Rotarians. Guest of Danielle Brinkman was Abiel Acosta.

President Tom announced that Alison Thompson's Grandmother passed away. Please keep Alison and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Santa Paula Rotary would like help working the Pumpkin Patch so if you have some spare time, they can use it.

Jordan Eller spoke about his birthday weekend! Jordan had a few too many tequila shots, had a great trip on Lake Casitas, horseback riding expedition and had a fantastic flight in a WWII P51 Mustang all in one weekend! So what's on tap for next year?



Judy Hoag told us about what's happening in International Service.

Jordan reminded everyone about the District Conference on October 21 - 23 and the Club Christmas Party December 10th.

Community Service - Craig Miller announced that they will be doing recon on the next home for Rotary Rehab this coming Saturday. If you would like to go, contact Craig.

International Service - Judy Hoag reminded everyone to get out and sell poinsettias. Also the next International Service meeting will be 5:30 pm on October 20th at the new GoCare offices.

Happy \$'s Craig Miller, Mark Rook, Jordan Eller, Jeff Hata, Tim Hughes and Nikki Sloan.

Tim Hughes introduced our speaker John Saltee.

Today's meeting was an "offsite" in Oxnard at the Ventura County Rescue Mission. We began with a very nice lunch for us in a separate room, cooked by their culinary school students.



Deborah Roberts was our greeter today.

After lunch, Director John Saltee gave us an overview of their free programs. There are separate programs for men and women. The women's shelter, The Lighthouse, is a block away and has room for 30 women and children. The men have two different sleeping quarters. The temporary quarters, which provides emergency shelter and meals has 40 beds. The longer-term quarters with 75 beds are for the residents who have enrolled in the 10 month drug and alcohol recovery program. Those accepted into the residential program will receive vocational training and every man is assigned a job. The mission operates an award winning culinary school, and some of the graduates have been hired to work on the kitchens of the offshore oil rigs. Every resident is taught reading skills in order to raise their reading level at least two grade levels. Psychological help is available, including anger management. So they could hold down a job later, workers are taught how to be a good employee, including basics such as being on time, following instructions, etc. One of the assignments is the laundry room, which runs 18 hours a day!

Every day, the mission serves approximately 300 free lunches and dinners to walk-ins from the community who are hungry or food insecure. No questions asked and at no cost to the guest.

Their Learning Center has 12 computers. Job coaches come in to help train residents in money management,

basic math and reading skills. Legal support is also provided, helping to clear up minor infractions and working with residents on back child support issues. Graduates of the program are eligible to rent one of the private apartments owned by the Rescue Mission for \$400 per month (single) or \$250 per month (shared). This is designed to be transitional housing to help men get back on their feet and self supporting.

Thank you, Tim, John and staff of the Rescue Mission Alliance for your hospitality and your work in assisting people in reestablishing a foundation. For more information about the mission the website is www.erescuemission.org.



John Saltee told us about the Rescue Mission.

Thank you, Tim, John and staff of the Oxnard Rescue Mission Alliance for your hospitality and your work in assisting people in reestablishing a foundation.

Rocky Ludes

# Egyptian club discovers the power of microlending

By Vanessa N. Glavinskas Rotary International News – 5 October 2011

If your Rotary club is stuck in a rut when it comes to vocational service, it's not alone.

Sometimes dubbed the "forgotten Avenue of Service," vocational service can be difficult for clubs to understand and implement.

Nijad K. Al Atassi, past governor of District 2450 (parts of Africa, the Mediterranean, the Middle East, and Georgia) felt strongly enough about vocational service to make it a districtwide priority.

"Vocational service is important because it enhances values and faith in ethics," says Al Atassi, a member of the Rotary Club of Adliya, Bahrain.

The Rotary Club of Alexandria Sporting, Egypt, rose to the challenge by focusing on microcredit loans, literacy classes, and a sewing workshop to meet the needs of low-income community members, helping women in particular to start businesses and learn useful work skills.

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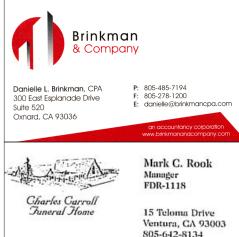
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#### Microcredit loans

"We gave loans deprived women to supporting large families," says past club president Heba Kabel. Club members made loans of about US\$85 to 20 entrepreneurs to launch small food or cleaning businesses. The loans were paid back in installments over the course of a year, and the money was then loaned out again -- turning the club's initial investment of about \$1,700 into a sustainable microcredit program.

The club also financed literacy classes, helping 75 women learn to read and write, and a sewing lab, which drew 45 women to sewing lessons every month.

Rotarians Adel al Nokali, Haha Kahel, and Magdy Samaha

Rotarians Adel el Nokali, Heba Kabel, and Magdy Samaha visit with a beneficiary of a microcredit program run by the Rotary Club of Alexandria Sporting, Egypt. The woman used her small loan to build a kiosk where she sells biscuits and cakes. Photo courtesy of Rotary Club of Alexandria Sporting

Kabel notes that the club put a priority on efforts that would help community members increase their chances of finding a job.

"We made a big bazaar at the end of the year and sold their products," Kabel says, explaining that the proceeds went to the women.

Kabel, a Barclays Bank employee, also tapped into her own vocational skills by offering free lessons in financial literacy to several women whom club members had met through the vocational service initiatives. The financial advice helped the women make informed decisions about their new incomes, teaching them to allocate some for savings and giving them a better chance of sustaining their small businesses.

#### Model projects

Each October, Rotarians are encouraged to focus on the Avenue of Vocational Service. For this year's celebration, Rotary International collected model vocational service project submissions from 2010-11 district governors. In addition to the Rotary Club of Alexandria Sporting's microcredit program, other model projects include:

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## **Weekly Raffle**

We did not have our raffle this week.

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\* The Rotary Club of Mt. Vernon, Missouri, USA, conducted a job skills workshop for unemployed residents, giving participants tools for interviews and job searches. Each participant left with a résumé and a list of employment opportunities.

\* Members of the Rotary Club of Jalalabad, Bangladesh, India, provided artificial limbs to 20 people with disabilities through a local rehabilitation center and worked with community businesses to help the recipients find work.

\* The Rotary Club of Cheltenham Sunrise, Gloucestershire, England, invited more than 280 secondary school students and teachers to attend a two-day educational forum on environmentally conscious careers. Leaders of government, nongovernmental organizations, and industries shared tips on how they've implemented green innovations to improve business.



## **2011 Christmas Party**

Ventura-East Annual Adult Christmas Party Saturday Dec. 10th Hosted by Dr. Bill Spellman 1008 Amber Lane Ojai Bill's home phone is 646-1399

There will be the traditional gift exchange for all who wish to participate please bring a wrapped unmarked gift to exchange. Historically these gifts have ranged from gag gifts to highly sought after and aggressively traded items from \$10 to ~\$30. As of now the format and menu are developing, any input is appreciated. We are trying to accommodate as many as possible, do to multiple events some people have this time of year. Bill said we could start as early as 2 pm and go until whenever. For our new members this event is for members and significant others are encouraged to come. The bar will be open and abundant food will be provided, extensive hors d'oeuvres and buffet style foods are available. Generally this event is billed to those who attend based on the cost of the event. Every effort is made to keep the cost down to approx. \$20-25 per person.

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