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### Programs

Program Chair: Robert Pazen

March 20, 2014 GoCare - Jane McClenahan March 27, 2014 Ambassador to Malta - Ambasador Doug Kmiec April 3, 2014 Overview of Livingston Memorial - Lanyadr Dial, M.D. April 10, 2014

**RYLA** 

## Greeter

March 20 - Jordan Eller

March 27 - TBA

April 3 - Wendy Pazen

April 10 - TBA

April 17 - Jim Emch

## **Fundraisers**

**Poinsettia Sales** Delivery Date December 4, 2014

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

## **Avenues of Service Meetings**

Club Service	TBD
Vocational Service	TBD
Community Service	TBD
New Generations	TBD
International Service	TBD

## **Avenues of Service Meetings**

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## **Important Dates**

Club

Basic PRLS	Mar 22
District Assembly	Mar 29
Board Meeting	Apr 2
RYLA	Apr 12-15
Master PRLS3	Apr 12
Master PRLS4	Apr 26
Board Meeting	
RI Convention	
Board Meeting	Jun 4

Marketing	TBD
Membership	TBD

# **Raffle Scholarship Donor**

March 20 - Ron Polito March 27 - Harriet Clune April 3 - Midge Stork April 10 - Tim Hughes

April 17 - Tom Swan

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# Message from our RI President Ron Burton

Dear fellow Rotarians,

Our goal in 2013-14 is to Engage Rotary, Change Lives . All of us know that Rotary has incredible potential to do good work. It's time to recognize how much more we could be doing and start working on new ways to turn that potential into reality. We're going to do this by engaging Rotarians – by getting them involved, by getting them inspired, and by making sure that all Rotarians know just what a gift they have in Rotary.

We're going to make sure that the work we do in Rotary is solid, effective, and sustainable. And we're going to make sure that Rotary itself will last – by committing to our goal of 1.3 million Rotarians in our clubs by the year 2015.

That goal is a little different from membership goals we've had in the past. The goal isn't just bringing in new members. The goal is growing Rotary. The goal is making Rotary bigger, not just with more members, but with more involved, engaged, motivated members who will be the ones to lead us into our future.

Each of us has our own reason for joining Rotary – but I believe we all want to make a difference. We all want to be doing something meaningful. That is absolutely essential for us to remember when we talk about membership.

We're not asking just anyone to join Rotary. We're looking to attract busy, successful, motivated people who care. We're asking them to take their valuable time and give it to Rotary. So if they say yes, and they come and join our club, then we'd better be showing them that their time in Rotary is well spent.

We have to make sure that every Rotarian, in every club, has a meaningful job – one that makes a real difference to the club and the community. Because when you're doing something meaningful in Rotary, Rotary is meaningful to you.

In Rotary, we all have something to give. At every stage of our lives and our careers, Rotary has something for all of us - a way to let us do more, be more, and give more. Rotary gives our lives more meaning, more purpose, and greater satisfaction. And the more we give through Rotary, the more Rotary gives back to us in return.

## 2013 - 2014 Club Board of Directors

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	Director 2011-2014
Vance Thompson	Director 2011-2014
Ken Kagan	Director 2012-2015
Laura Shannon	Director 2012-2015
Bruce McGee	Director 2013-2016
Bob Pazen	Director 2013-2016

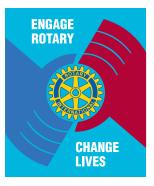
## Avenues of Service Directors

Dave Anderson	Club Service
Joe Strohman	Vocational Service
	Community Service
Jeff Hata	New Generations
Judy Hoag	International Service
Mark Smith	Interact

## **Rotary International Officers**

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Frank Ortiz	P.D.G. 2012-2013

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?



# Meeting March 13, 2014

Reported by Jeff Hata



Rich Stewart introduced guests and visiting Rotarians.

President Tim Hughes rang the bell and invited everyone to lunch. Guests and visiting Rotarians go first.

Bob Lynn led us in the Salute to the Flag.

President Tim thanked Bill Spellman for greeting.

Rich Stewart introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Visiting from Ventura-Downtown was Gary Wolfe. Guest of Bill Gray was his wife Kim.

Midge Stork announced that our raffle prize was a \$50 Dargan's gift card and a plant.

John Borneman led us in a song.

President Tim reminded everyone that the St Patrick's

Day Parade is Saturday at 10:00. Please arrive at 9:00 to help set-up.

The women were all wearing green hats to celebrate 25 years of women in Rotary.

Bruce McGee reminded everyone that there will be a BBQ team meeting immediately after the club meeting next Thursday.

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Juvonen

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Todd

system



Bruce McGee will be holding a BBQ Team meeting.

out invoices for January and February. We have made the transition to Quickbooks online.

Bob Pazen talked about upcoming programs then Joe Strohman reported on the 4 Way Test essay contest.

Jeff Hata said that we have a student doing a Rotary Exchange next year and that we need to line up 3 host families for an incoming student next year.

Happy \$'s: Midge Stork, John Borneman, Wendy Pazen, Bob Pazen, Vance Thompson, Harriet Clune, Bruce McGee and Jim Word.

Midge Stork conducted the raffle and the lucky winner of the plant was Monte Widders and the lucky winner of the Dargan's gift card was Todd Juvonen.

# Rotary helps Ghana surpass clean water goals



A mother in a community near Sunyani, Ghana, bathes her child with clean water drawn from a local well and stored in a 50-gallon barrel in the family's yard. The water is also used for drinking, cooking, laundry, and other needs. Photo Credit: Rotary Images/Alyce Henson

For over 20 years, Michael Anyekase has crisscrossed Ghana drilling boreholes and installing hand pumps on wells to provide clean water. Water for drinking, washing, and flushing toilets.

"There is nothing more satisfying than when fresh water comes out of the well and the children shout, 'Hey, water! Water!" says Anyekase, who works for Water in Africa, a nongovernmental organization (NGO).

In partnership with Rotary members from across the globe, Anyekase's dedication has helped eradicate Guinea worm disease and lessen the cases of dysentery, diarrhea, and other common diseases associated with dirty water. In fact, Rotary has provided more sources of drinking water in Ghana than any other NGO, Anyekase says.

Many water projects in Ghana are being carried out as part of the Rotary International/USAID H2O Collaboration. The effort is providing more than 100 villages with clean water through installation of boreholes with hand pumps, along with sanitation facilities and hygiene training.

According to a review of the partnership by Aguaconsult, an independent contractor, more than 85

percent of Ghanaians now have access to clean water, surpassing the United Nations Millennium Development Goal of 78 percent by 2015.

## Water cures, educates

Samuel Obour, assistant governor of District 9102 and a member of the Sunyani Central club, has spearheaded several water projects. Last year, Sunyani and Canadian Rotary members installed latrines at a primary school in Sunyani and a washing station and toilets at a busy rural market, with funding from a global grant.

"We have so many people traveling from villages to the market. There was no [sanitation] facility of convenience," says Obour. Market-goers would eliminate outdoors and feces entered the water supply, he says, causing dysentery and diseases like Buruli ulcer. If caught early, this flesh-eating disease can usually be treated with antibiotics. But if left untreated, the disease causes irreversible deformity and sometimes life-threatening secondary infections. Obour and other Rotary members have worked with the Ghanaian health service to educate villagers about the importance of early detection and to supply hospitals with necessary treatment tools.

"People who thought Buruli ulcer is caused by spirits will now come to understand that they need to go to hospital for identification," says Obour.

Access to clean water brings benefits even beyond better health, including boosting children's chances of receiving a good education, or any education for that matter.

"Children wake up very early, sometimes 4 a.m., to go miles away to fetch water," says Obour. "Without water, children are not able to attend school [or] some have to go to school late." With water nearby, the burden is lifted. Children can spend more time being children. Families can spend more time being families. And life can take on a new kind of normalcy. An accomplishment that can only be achieved with a team of dedicated resources.

"Meeting the UN Millennium Development Goals is something that no organization can achieve on its own -- not even Rotary, with its 34,000 clubs and over 1.2 million members," says Ron Denham, a member of the USAID Steering Committee and the Rotary Club of Toronto Eglinton, Ontario, Canada. "To be successful, we need leverage -- the leverage that comes from collaboration with others who share our goals. The most notable example of this is the international H2O collaboration."

By Dan Nixon and Vanessa Glavinskas

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#### Clubs Nearby ...

Ventura-South		Monday I Banquet Center
Santa Paula	12:00 pm The	Monday Glen Tavern Inn
Ojai West	7:00 am	Tuesday Soule Park GC
Camarillo Breakfast		Tuesday Spanish HIIIs GC
Oxnard	12:10 pm Cou	Tuesday rtyard by Marriott
Fillmore Sunrisers		Wednesday o to their website
Ventura	12:00 pm	Wednesday The Derby Club
Camarillo Car		Wednesday or Spiritual Living
Oxnard Sunrise	7:30 am	Thrusday Tomas Cafe
Fillmore	12:05 pm The Fillmore	Thursday & Western Train
Ojai	12:00 pm	Friday Soule Park GC



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# Rotary members team up with students for clean water



Connor Kenehan at the Lake Michigan shore near his home. The lake provides drinking water for many of the surrounding communities. Photo Credit: Bob Kenehan

Growing up in an affluent suburb of Chicago near Lake Michigan, Connor Kenehan never had to worry about a lack of clean water. But when a class assignment opened his eyes to global disparities in water access, he decided to help those who do.

Kenehan founded an organization called Well Being after researching water and sanitation issues for an eighth-grade project at Deer Path Middle School in Lake Forest, Illinois. Four years later, he has turned the assignment into a platform to raise funds for clean water efforts. "Living in an area with great access to fresh water, we take it for granted," he says.

## **Powerful allies**

Early on, Kenehan realized that Rotarians could be powerful allies in the fight for safe water. "My friend and I were in Lake Forest, talking to people and asking for donations, and a Rotarian stopped by," he recalls. "He asked if we'd want to come to a Rotary club meeting."

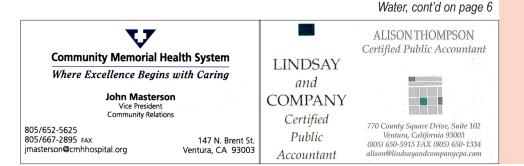
The Rotary Club of Lake Forest-Lake Bluff matched funds Kenehan had already raised, and he was able to give \$3,000 to a Rotary initiative in Minorca, Spain, that sends LifeStraws to villages in Africa. Each inexpensive and lightweight personal water filter can remove more than 99 percent of waterborne bacteria and parasites from up to 264 gallons of water.



Our raffle prize this week was a \$50 gift card to Dargan's donated by Monte Widders.

Our lucky winner was Todd Juvonen!

Congratulations Todd and thank you to Monte Widders for your generous donation!



#### Water, cont'd from page 5

Now club members are helping Kenehan direct funds to where they're most needed. In his search for water projects, he has relied on the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group, which screens service efforts and connects donors to Rotary volunteers and projects around the world, such as freshwater wells in Guatemala and Zambia and rainwater harvesting initiatives in India and Kenya.

## Eyes on the future

Most recently, Kenehan and Rotary members worked with Deer Path students on Well Being's biggest fundraiser yet. The school's annual walkathon in May raised money for several charities, including \$2,500 for the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff club, which plans to partner with the Rotarian Action Group and Well Being to fund two well projects in Nigeria. Only 43 percent of rural Nigerians have access to improved drinking water sources, such as pipelines and protected wells.

"When Rotary entered the picture, the kids got excited because there were actual projects available for their funding," says club president Tim Newman. "Now we're trying to take that \$2,500 and see how big we can make it." The club has already matched the students' donation, and corporate sponsorship from Rotarian Action Group partners could quadruple the sum.

Now, all eyes are on the future. Newman hopes to forge a multiyear collaboration with students at Deer Path, and Kenehan is also eager to see the relationship grow. "I want to keep it going," says Kenehan, now a freshman at Johns Hopkins University, where he plans to focus on international studies. "I want to do what I can to make sure this issue doesn't sink down to the bottom of the heap again. It's so easy to overlook in a country with sanitary conditions as good as ours."

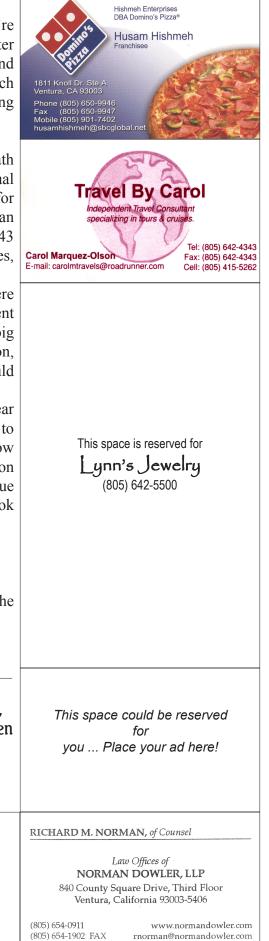
## By Sallyann Price

This story originally appeared in the January 2013 issue of The Rotarian.

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## Think what a better world it would be if we all, the whole world, had cookies and milk about three o'clock every afternoon and then lay down on our blankets for a nap. Barbara Jordan

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Anderson. David	Architecture	Pazen, Robert L., O.D.	Optometry
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Borneman, John	Songleading	Polito, Ron	Commercial Real Estate
Canton, Rafael, M.D.	Psychiatry	Ponce De Leon, Augie	Honorary Member
Cerasuolo, Josh	Professional Carpet Cleaning		
Clune, Harriet	Real Estate Management		
	Broadcasting	Shilton, Thomas E.	Pharmacy
	Funeral Director	Smith, Mark Corbin	Religion, Protestant
	Banking, Mortgage Lending	Spellman, William J., D.D.S.	Prosthetic Dentistry
	General Accounting	Stewart, Richard E	
Gallagher, Devere L. (Pete)	Automobile Servicing	Stork, Midge, CFP, CSPG	Financial Planning, Investments
Gallagher, Richard	Stock & Bond Sales	Strohman, Joseph, Jr	Business Law
	Banking	Swan, Thomas	Investment Advisor
Gonzalez, Jesse	Automotive, Repair & Sales	Thompson, Allison	
Gray, Bill	Property Management	Thompson, Vance, CLU, ChFC	Insurance, Financial Planning
Hashbarger, Tom	Health Services		Honorary Member
Hata, Jeff	Printing	Wadd <mark>ell,</mark> Sandy	
Hertel, Ronald	Real Estate Land Development	Widders, Monte L.	General Law
Hicks, William	Domestic Automobiles, Retail	Whitman, Diana	Honorary Member
Hishmeh, Husam	Restaurateur, Franchisee		Department Store
	Real Estate Sales, Residential	Yuncker, Chuck	Honorary Member
Hoag, Will	Honorary Member		
Hughes, Tim	Real Estate Sales, Residential		
Jimenez, Richard	Honorary Member		14
Juvonen, Todd	Financial Services		
Kruetz, Nicole	Banking		
	Small Business Accounting		
	CPA Tax		
	Jewelry		
	Travel Agency		
	Secondary Education		
	Foreign Automobiles, Retail		
McGee, Bruce	Wh <mark>olesale</mark> Foods		
	Trial Law		
Norstedt, Chris	Honorary Member		
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