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of Ventura-East

The Breeze

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Programs

Program Chair: Joe Strohman / Ken Kagan

February 5, 2015

Mike Tracy - Ventura City Council

February 12, 2015

Tania Garcia - CSUCI: "State of the campus and future events"

February 19, 2015

Rich Rozzelle - "Our local state parks"

February 26, 2015

TBA

Greeter

February 5 - Carol Marquez-Olson

Fundraisers

Poinsettia Sales

Delivery Date

December 3, 2015

for information on fundraisers go to:

www.RotaryVenturaEast.org

Avenues of Service Meetings

Club Service TBD

Vocational Service TBD

Community Service TBD

New Generations February 10 5:30
Conference Call (213) 992-5290 PIN 01623

International Service TBD

Marketing TBD

Membership TBD

Club Events

Important Dates

Rotaract Non-Profit Summit..... Apr. 6

Raffle Scholarship Donor

February 5 - Nicole Kreutz

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Presidents Message ...



Dave Anderson
President 2014-2015

I'd like to commend everyone in Rotary Club of Ventura East for your generous donation of time, money and effort towards the Club's humanitarian goals during the preceding year.

I can happily report that the Poinsettia project was a great success - with a preliminary figure of about \$9,500 in profits! Add to that the \$3,500 in net earnings from our BBQ events during the last six months.

These efforts, by you and your fellow club members, allow The Rotary Club of Ventura East to give back to the community in profound and meaningful ways.

I'll share the letter we received from Chuck Terra of Food Share (and one of our newest club members!):

"I would like to express a big thank you to you and our team at 'Rotary Ventura East' for sponsoring a tree at the 2014 CAN-tree event at The Collection Riverpark. This year's event was a huge success in that we more than doubled the number of trees from last year. The success of this year's event could only happen because of partnerships like yours. FOOD Share will have plenty of food this holiday season for people in our community. I am attaching a picture of the tree our team built. Again thank you and I look forward to talking with you soon."

Regards,
Chuck Terra
Resource Development Manager
FOOD Share Inc.

It is a pleasure working with each of you as fellow Rotarians. I wish you all the best of Holiday Cheer!!

Dave

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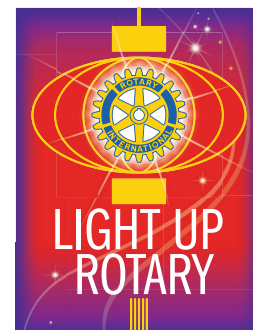
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The Four Way Test

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?



Meeting January 29, 2015

Reported by Wemdy Pazen



Who will be our next P.E.N???

from the Tehachapi Rotary Club was Fred Motter and his wife Shirley.

Alison Thompson gave our Inspirational Message.

President Dave reminded us about the STEPS Conference at Cal Lutheran this Saturday.

Bruce McGee thanked everyone who attended the BBQ Team meeting last night. The attendees included Michelle Cekov, Bill Spellman, Tim Blackwell and Jim Emch. We will be seeking out other BBQ opportunities and Tim Blackwell has stepped forward to chair the BBQ Team this year.

Bruce spoke about how we need to develop a culture in the club that when you are asked to do something to help the club you just say "Yes".

Bruce thanked everyone for stepping up and volunteering for weekly duties and said that fines would be coming back in 2015-16.

President Dave thanked everyone, well almost everyone, for sitting in a different place today.

John Borneman updated us on Andy Corliss. Andy has gone home, but made some friends at the home he was in and wanted to go back!

President Dave rang the bell and invited everyone to get their lunch, guests and visiting Rotarians first.

President Dave thanked our greeter Michelle Cekov, our attendance taker Vance Thompson and our raffle prize donor Bill Gray.

Joe Strohman led us in the Flag Salute.

Tom Hashbarger introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Back visiting us again today

John then led us in a song.

Alison Thompson gave our joke of the day.

Bruce McGee, Club Service, passed out district awards sheets to the Avenues of Service Directors and said we are doing a good job!

Joe Strohman, Vocational Service, said the 4 Way Essay Test is well underway and that we would be having Student of the Quarter next month.

Judy Hoag, International Service, said that our Global Grant has been fully funded and the check should arrive in a week or two.

Community Service, Rich Stewart, spoke about the Atlas Elementary project. Dick Gallagher went and read to 2nd graders and survived!!!

Jeff Hata, Youth Service, spoke about the Youth Service meeting. We had Bill Spellman, David Gonzales, Natalie Debbas and Jeff on a conference call to talk about the rest of the year. The bake sale will be sometime in April. Natalie will keep us updated and David has a Rotaract "Nonprofit Summit" coming in April.

Carol Marquez Olson conducted the raffle and our lucky winner was Wendy Pazen!



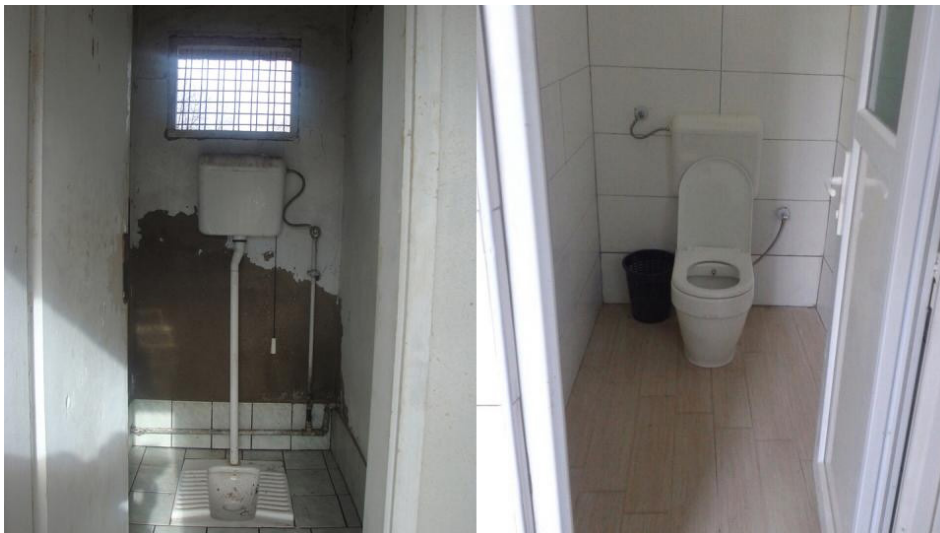
Andy Corliss is now back at home!

COLORADO JOINS KOSOVO CLUB TO RESTORE SANITATION IN BLIGHTED LOCAL SCHOOLS

Blighted schools in the mountain city of Peja in western Kosovo are a reminder of the ethnic strife and war that ravaged this area in the 1990s.

To restore ruined sanitation facilities in some of those schools, local Rotary members recently partnered with their counterparts from Colorado, USA. Though residents have been slowly rebuilding the city's infrastructure after years of neglect under earlier governments, most resources are going to improve roads, rebuild homes, and create new businesses. Little money remains to restore the schools.

As a result, students have fallen ill, stayed home from school, and been unable to focus on their education, says Neshad Asllani, a member of the Rotary Club of Peja



Through a \$50,000 Rotary Foundation Global Grant, the Rotary clubs of Edwards, Colorado, USA, and Peja, Kosovo, brought clean water and new bathroom facilities to six area schools in Peja.

Photo Credit: Courtesy of Richard Dangler

and a physician with the Health Center of Excellence in Kosovo. “Healthy students make better students,” he says.

Last year, his club joined the Rotary Club of Edwards, Colorado, USA, to bring clean water and modern toilet facilities to six area schools with the worst conditions. The \$50,000 project was funded by a Rotary Foundation global grant and completed in September. It replaced all the commodes and sinks, repaired leaking roofs, and installed floor tiles, fixtures, and new septic tanks.

The project was initiated by Edwards club member Richard Dangler, who’d spent time in the area in 2008-09 as the chief water engineer for International Relief and Development, helping to install a \$1 million potable-water system in Kosovo that was funded by USAID. Although that system benefited most homes and businesses, the pipes didn’t extend to schools in rural areas. Dangler recalls that those schools’ water and sanitation facilities were “ghastly,” with flooded commodes; dirty water for washing; and crumbling walls, floors, and roofs that made the facilities almost unusable.

Dangler traveled to Peja in 2013 to plan the project there with local Rotary members. He says the community was instrumental in carrying it out.

“We held planning meetings where 100 people would show up,” says Dangler. “They were incredibly engaged. They showed a desire and readiness to be included in planning, designing, and maintaining post-

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Clubs Nearby ...

Ventura-South	12:00 pm	Monday
		Wedgewood Banquet Center
Santa Paula	12:00 pm	Monday
		The Glen Tavern Inn
Ojai West	7:00 am	Tuesday
		Soule Park GC
Camarillo Breakfast	7:00 am	Tuesday
		Spanish Hills GC
Oxnard	12:10 pm	Tuesday
		Courtyard by Marriott
Fillmore Sunrisers	6:45 am	Wednesday
		Varies, go to their website
Ventura	12:00 pm	Wednesday
		The Derby Club
Camarillo	12:00 pm	Wednesday
		Camarillo Center for Spiritual Living
Oxnard Sunrise	7:30 am	Thursday
		Tomas Cafe
Fillmore	12:05 pm	Thursday
		The Fillmore & Western Train
Ojai	12:00 pm	Friday
		Soule Park GC

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construction tasks. Out of all the war-torn and underdeveloped places in the world I've worked, I found the Kosovo people had the greatest willingness to help themselves."

The project also calls for water and sanitation education in the six schools. Students will design posters promoting proper hygiene practices, and will learn in science classes about diseases transmitted by unsanitary habits. The Peja club will create health committees made up of faculty and students for each school. Members also will oversee maintenance of the toilet facilities and devise sanitary and hygiene awareness campaigns to educate the entire community.

Asllani notes that although the war's impact lingers, projects like this one are helping to restore area residents' spirit as well as the region's infrastructure. "The goodwill of NGOs and organizations like Rotary has helped our people overcome their animosities from the past by establishing projects that look to the future."

Adds Dangler: "The people who lived through this conflict want to put this period behind them. At the top of the local community's priority list was improving the sanitary conditions of the schools. Focusing on the children and their education was the best way for them to look toward the future rather than to the past."

By Ryan Hyland
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Weekly Raffle

Our raffle prize donor this week was Bill Gray.

Our lucky winner was Wendy Pazen!

Thank you to Bill Gray for your generous donation and congratulations to Wendy!



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PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

GARY C.K. HUANG
PRESIDENT 2014-15

JANUARY 2015

At the beginning of this Rotary year, I asked Rotarians everywhere to Light Up Rotary by holding a Rotary Day. How you do this is something I'm leaving up to you: It can be a full day or just a few hours. It can be organized by your club, by your district, or even across your entire country. It can be a service project, a festival, or any kind of event you want. As long as it's open to the community, embraces the whole family of Rotary, and is fun, it's a Rotary Day.

The goal of a Rotary Day is to shine a light on Rotary. For many years, we in Rotary felt that it wasn't appropriate to boast about our good work. We felt it was best to serve quietly and let our work speak for itself. But today, in many communities, people aren't even aware that they have a local Rotary club. Not because the clubs aren't strong, or because they aren't serving well. They are. But if Rotarians don't talk about their work, people will never know about it.

It is time for us to Light Up Rotary and let people know what we are doing. In the first half of this Rotary year, I've been thrilled to see how many Rotarians have taken up my Rotary Day challenge. I've attended Rotary Days in so many places, including the Philippines, Korea, China, the United States, Turkey, India, Taiwan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh. Every one has been different, and every one has met the challenge to Light Up Rotary in its own way.

If you've organized a Rotary Day in your community, tell us about it: Email details and photos of your event to rotarian@rotary.org, with "Rotary Day" as your subject line. We'll do our best to feature as many Rotary Days as possible in the coming months.

And if you haven't planned a Rotary Day yet, why not? It's a great way to share your love for Rotary with your community. When we tell others about Rotary and let them know how membership can enrich their lives, we share a gift that was given to us when we were invited to join our clubs. By passing that gift on, we help ensure that Rotary, and its service, will endure for generations to come.



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