



Meeting December 20, 2007

Reported by Bob Lynn



Vance Thompson gave our inspirational message.

LeRoy Andrews serenaded us at the piano before the meeting.

Past President Jim Word rang the bell to bring us to order. **President Joe** is attending to **John Borneman** who was injured, thankfully not seriously, before the meeting.

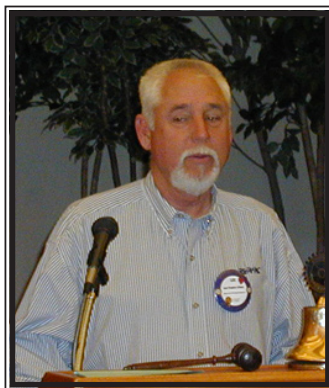
Past President Jim told the club of the passing of our long time friend and member, Bob Tveit.

The invocation was given by **Vance Thompson**.

Bob Beckwith led the Flag Salute.

Lee O'Neil introduced our guests. Visiting Rotarians were from Ventura Rotary Downtown, Accountant, Gary Wolfe. Guests of members: **Joe Strohman** had Olivia, **Greg McCombs** had Ryan, Andrew, and Suzanne. **Rich Stewart** had Logan.

Harriet Clune had Eric and Jenna. **Jim Emch** had Leta, Ada, and Beckett. **Wendy Pazen** had Gena. **Judy Hoag** had Colin, Alexander and Will. **Deborah Roberts** had Nocole, Meghan, and the kids. **Vance Thompson** had Chavon and Joselynn. **Past President Carol Marquez-Olson** had Lexa.



Lee O'Neil introduced guests & visiting Rotarians.

P/P Jim thanked **Vance Thompson** and his wife for hosting our

Christmas Party.

President Joe and **P/P Jim** thanked all of our members who volunteered and showed up to help with the Silvercrest dinner.

P/P Jim invited the kids up for the story of "The Night Before Christmas".

LeRoy Andrews and **President Joe** led us in Christmas Carols.

Santa showed up to the tune of "Santa Claus is Coming To Town". Santa handed out presents to the kids.

Midge Stork invited all of us to a "Taste of New Orleans" party at her house at 5 pm on Saturday, the fifth of January 2008.

Note that there is a joint meeting with Downtown next Thursday at the Poinsettia Pavilion, regular time, next week.

President Joe called for Happy Dollars. We



Past President Jim Word read "T'was the Night Before Christmas" to our young guests.

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Presidents Message ...



Joe Amandoli
President 2007-2008

What a great year it has been. I want to thank all of you Rotarians for being members of the Ventura East Club. Remember that we are a strong club because we have so many different talented people working with in our club. We finished off a great year in Rotary and I am looking forward to a better 2008.

Now is the time to relax, and enjoy your family this holiday and think of how thankful we are for the people we have who love us and the freedom we share in this nation.

Happy new year!

Joe Amandoli
President
Rotary Club Ventura East
2007-2008

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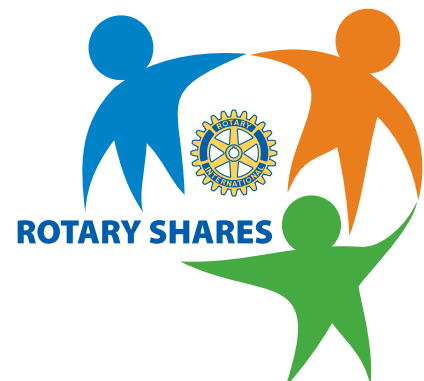
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First ... Is it the **TRUTH**? **Second** ... Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? **Third** ... Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**? **Fourth** ... Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



Programs

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

December 27, 2007

R.I. Rose Parade Float - Jim Frame

January 3, 2008

History of Flying Wing - LeRoy Andrews

January 10, 2008

Utilities: Edison - Nancy Williams

January 17, 2008

Ventura County Agriculture - Earl McPhail

Greeters

December 27, 2007

Bob Pazen & Wendy Pazen

January 3, 2008

Deborah Perkins & Steve Phillips

January 10, 2008

Ron Polito & Deborah Roberts

January 17, 2008

Tom Shilton & Nikki Sloan

Fines

Program Chair: Jordan Eller

December 27, 2007 - Deborah Zuniga

January 3, 2008 - Shawn Amandoli

January 10, 2008 - David Anderson

January 17, 2008 - LeRoy Andrews

Meetings

TBA

New Member Training Session

January 10, 2008

Vocational Service

2nd Thu/Month, Marie Callender's 5:30 PM

January 8, 2008

Board of Directors Meeting

2nd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's 7:00 AM

January 21, 2008

Club Service

3rd Mon/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

January 15, 2008

International Service

3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's Noon

January 10, 2008

New Generations

2nd Thu/Month, Marie Callender's 5:30 PM

Every Monday

Buena Interact Club

Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM

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had them from **Monte Widders, Midge Stork, Jeff Hata, and Bill Spellman.**

President Joe thanked **Steve Phillips** for bringing the miniature Snow Globes for Santa to give to the kids.

That was the meeting, no additional speaker.

=== Bob Lynn



January 5th A Taste of New Orleans!!!!

In preparation for our upcoming Casino Night, our Casino Committee is hosting “A Taste of New Orleans” party!

Join us to sample dishes such as Jambalaya, pecan pie, buttermilk fried chicken ... You are encouraged to think of a Southern / Cajun dish to bring and add to the buffet. Know how to make hush puppies, crab and corn bisque, dirty rice, crab cakes or ever wanted to try and make some of these dishes, now is the time.

THIS JUST IN ...

Please bring wine or ingredients for a “Signature” Southern drink for our party goes to sample.

So remember the date: January 5, 2008

Time: 5:00 - ???

Place: At the home of Midge and Dave Stork
4328 Westmont
Ventura.

Come on out and bring a dish or “Signature” drink and let’s have a party to get us motivated for our upcoming Casino Night!

Upcoming Events

Dec. 27	Joint Meeting with Downtown Club
Jan. 5	Taste of New Orleans
Mar. 7 - 10	Rotary Ensenada Cruise
Mar. 28	Casino Night
Jun. 15 - 18	Rotary International Convention

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Empowered families strengthen Rotary image

By Maureen Vaught

Rotary International News - 10 December 2007

After 75 years, the Rotary Club of Garrettsville-Hiram faced a declining membership and dwindling enthusiasm. But by celebrating family, the club's 10 members not only strengthened their club, they also helped their community.

The Empower the Family service project, now in its fifth year, supports activities that engage and honor families while enhancing Rotary's image. Its centerpiece is the annual Family Week Celebration, which includes a music festival, carnival, and school-sponsored art, essay, and speech contests. In addition, residents of this small Ohio, USA, town are encouraged to Put Family First one evening and spend time exclusively with their families.

According to club member Amy Crawford, the project has succeeded on many levels: "We have more community involvement with the club. We've brought people from surrounding areas together. And we've attracted newer, younger members with children of their own to the club."

It's also cultivated working relationships between club members and community leaders. Local businesses, churches, governments, libraries, and schools collaborate with the club to sponsor activities throughout the week.

Convinced of the project's global appeal to families and Rotarians alike, Vibert Kesler, chair of the first Family Week Celebration and a former member of the Garrettsville-Hiram club, created World Peace Parents in 2003. This nonprofit organization helps Rotary clubs worldwide carry out similar events in their communities. To date, clubs in Minnesota and Pennsylvania, USA, have organized family celebrations. And the Rotary clubs of Bombay Bandra, Maharashtra, India, and Muyenga and Port-Bell, Uganda, are working with World Peace Parents to adapt the concept to their cultures.

"This program works especially well for smaller communities and smaller clubs," Kesler says. "It can really rejuvenate your club."

Learn more at <http://worldpeaceparents.org>.

Celebration checklist

Vibert Kesler, executive director and board chair of World Peace Parents, offers the following tips for clubs wanting to celebrate family in their communities:

- Keep it simple. The Empower the Family service project works best as a stand-alone event.
- Plan ahead. Start arranging the Family Week Celebration at least four months in advance.
- Schedule it for early in the year. Because schools are involved, the best dates for the celebration often fall between January and March.
- Use the World Peace Parents project manual to help you organize the event.
- Download the progress reports to help you stay on track.
- Stay in touch with World Peace Parents, and don't be afraid to ask questions!

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Weekly Raffle

On hiatus until

January 3, 2008.

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Our Rotary Club of Ventura East Foundation, Inc. has grown through the years from the generous contributions of our club members. The end of the year is a good time to make a donation in your name or in the memory of someone else. Remember, because our Foundation has section 501(c)(3) status, your donations are tax deductible. Any donations should be made payable to the "Rotary Club of Ventura East Foundation, Inc." and delivered to me at our weekly meetings or mailed to my office, 1050 S. Kimball Road, Ventura, California 93004.

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