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Reported by Harriet Clune

President Deborah Roberts rang the bell at noon to start the meeting. The inspirational message was delivered by **Husam Hismeh**: “Live, love and leave a legacy.” The flag salute was led by **Tom Hashbarger**.

Introduction of guests was presented by **Mohammed Hasan**. We had no visiting Rotarians. Guests were: **Pam Scott** and **Floyd Gill** introduced his son, **Brandon Tyler Gill**.

Song: Led by our own **John Borneman**, we sang a song of “Freedom” to the tune of “It’s a Small World.”

Announcements:

❖ **President Deborah** recognized and congratulated **Tom Swan** for completing the 5th class in Master Perls! **Tom** spoke about completing a business plan with the use of laptops and Power Point.

❖ **Nikki Sloan** reminded us that the February 19 meeting will be presented by United Blood Services. If you are eligible to make a donation, please sign up for an appointment to do so that day. It is also a “Bring a New Potential Rotarian” to the meeting day, so please invite a prospective member. We need fresh “blood”... We are also looking for 100% attendance, so if you can’t come, please make up!

❖ **Drawing**: **Deborah Perkins**: The drawing item today donated by **Hank Oster**: \$50. Dominos Gift Card just in time for the Super Bowl! The winner was **Steve Phillips**. Congrats! We raised \$95. today, bringing our total to \$2,447. Wow!

❖ **Game Night** will be held next Wednesday night, Feb. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Hismeh Enterprises. It is lots of fun; please join us!

❖ **International Service**: **Dave Anderson**: No report today.

❖ **Community Service**: **Tom Swan**: Rotarians-at-Work Day is on 2/21, a Saturday. We will be teaming with 3 other clubs and will be working at homes of

seniors who need a helping hand with repairs, etc. Our meeting site will be announced. On 4/23 the BBQ team will cook at the Lutheran Church Day Care Center. **Michelle Mercado** passed around a sign-up sheet to participate in Relay for Life.

❖ **Club Service**: **Jeff Hata**: No report today.

❖ **Vocational Service**: **Husam Hismeh**: There will be a committee meeting the second Tuesday of February. April will be our “Job Shadow” program. Mock interviews are coming up soon! Stay tuned...

❖ **New Generations**: **Gary Moratz**: No report.

Rotary Recognition: **Vance Thompson** led the session. It was based on Anagrams. First victim was **Sandy Waddel**: an anagram for “Dormitory”... answer was Dirty Room. **Jim Emch** was asked about “Presbyterian”...answer was “Best in Prayer.” **Bill Spellman’s** word was “Morse Code”...which was “here come dots.” No one was able to correctly answer. **Vance** followed this with some “jokes”...

Happy Dollars came from : **Rocky Ludes** who recognized **President Deborah Roberts** for her great article in the Breeze. **Bill Spellman** reported that his youngest daughter has given birth to a new baby girl... congrats Grandpa! **Floyd Gill** proudly announced that his son, **Brandon Tyler Gill** had received an award

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Presidents Message ...



Deborah Roberts
President 2008-2009

Fellow Rotarians,
Per Past RI President Cliff Dochterman, written in his book *The ABC's of Rotary*,
"February is designated as World Understanding Month. This month was chosen because it includes the birthday of Rotary International, February 23. During the month, Rotary clubs are urged to present programs which promote international understanding and goodwill, as well as launch World Community Service projects in other parts of the world."

The Rotary Club of Ventura-East will participate in this year's World Community Service Day on February 21st. This is a day designated by RI, requesting all Rotarians worldwide participate in some project that positively impacts their own, local community. We've decided to partner with the Ventura, Ventura-South and Ventura-Marina clubs to help some of our local elderly people who need assistance with light repairs, cleaning, etc. at their homes.

I would like to challenge you all to set aside just a few hours on February 21st to be part of this day. While I realize some may be able to do more muscle work than others, it really makes a difference when we all participate – even if only to offer encouragement or direction. Please bring your spouse/significant other, children and/or grandchildren, too. This is a Community Service Day, and based on the success we've had in previous years, I expect fun, fellowship and service will be long appreciated by all.

See you then! (Details on where we will be meeting on the 21st coming soon...)

Yours in Rotary Service,
Deborah Pudlewski-Roberts
President 2008-2009

2008 - 2009

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Programs

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

February 5, 2009

Craft Talk - Husam Hishmeh

February 12, 2009

RYLA - Darin Arrasmith

February 19, 2009

United Blood Services - Holly Nash

February 26, 2009

KCLU Radio - Mary Olson

Greeters

February 5, 2009

Michelle Mercado & Dick Norman

February 12, 2009

Hank Oster & Bob Pazen

February 19, 2009

Wendy Pazen & Steve Phillips

February 26, 2009

John Masterson & Gary Moratz

Rotary Recognition

Recognition Chair: Rich Stewart

February 5, 2009 - Wendy & Bob Pazen

February 12, 2009 - TBA

February 19, 2009 - TBA

February 26, 2009 - TBA

Meetings

TBA

New Member Training Session

February 12, 2009

Vocational Service

2nd Thu/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

February 18 2009

Board of Directors Meeting

3rd Wed/Month, Mimi's 7:00 AM

February 9, 2009

Club Service

2nd Mon/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

February 9, 2009

Community Service

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February 17, 2009

International Service

3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callender's Noon

February 12, 2009

New Generations

2nd Tue/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr 5:30 PM

Every Monday

Buena Interact Club

Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM

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for integrity and honesty...Wow, congratulations! **Bob Lynn** recognized and thanked **Jordan Eller** for referring his Mother to **Lynn's Jewelery**. **Midge Stork** shared that the memorial service for **Tom Crozier's** father was very moving. Our condolences, **Tom and Janet**.

Our Program then began.

Sharon Daly, daughter of founder Dr. Nathan Barlow, spoke to us about The Mossy Foot Project begun by her father. She was joined in the talk by her husband, Jim Daly, who serves as President of the organization.

She began with her story of moving to Ethiopia with her parents and brother when she was a small child. For some years, her father was the only physician for over a million people. They saw some of the elephantiasis but could not treat it. Years later they were able to devote more attention to this disease.

Mossy Foot is a disease that is very embarrassing to those who have it, and those people are often shunned by the community. Sometimes they found patients hiding in their huts. This condition is caused by a lymph reaction to the microscopic obsidian that gets into the foot by walking barefoot. The obsidian is part of volcanic ash that is part of the soil in that area.

Treatment is fairly simple, but takes time. First the foot is disinfected by soaking the feet in diluted bleach water, and then anti-fungal medication is applied. Next, the feet (and wherever the swelling is) are wrapped in elastic bandages. The patient is given some sort of shoes or foot coverings to wear and asked to elevate their feet in the evenings or when they are resting. It takes some months, and the results are not 100%, but there can be substantial improvement.

In the meantime, they have been given shoes, which Mossy Foot has been given in great quantity. Matter of fact, they want to spread the shoes to other areas. They have 15 clinics operating as of 2008, but need a vehicle to be able to set up 10 more clinics in further reaches. One clinic will serve 5-6 villages.

Part of the work Mossy Foot work is vocational training to enable people to support themselves as hairdressers, barbers, shoe makers, carpenters and bicycle repair people. They also offer micro loans to help people start a business.

The Mossy Foot Project is having a fundraising banquet on February 12. Further information is on their web site: www.mossyfoot.com.

Thank you both for your very important humanitarian work in treating this disease and in vocational training to the poor in Ethiopia.

== Rocky

Historic Moments -- Rotary's 104th anniversary

Rotary International News -- 4 February 2009

During the first Rotary club meeting on 23 February 1905 in Chicago, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal experiences. Harris then unfolded his general plan for their club meetings.

This was the simple beginning of the world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago. It was created because of Harris' wish to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.

Rotarians continue to take pride in their history. In honor of that first club, Rotarians have preserved its original meeting place, Room 711 in Chicago's Unity Building, by re-creating the office as it existed in 1905. For several years, the Paul Harris 711 Club maintained the room as a shrine for visiting Rotarians. In 1989, when the building was scheduled to be demolished, the club carefully dismantled the office and salvaged the interior, including doors and radiators. In 1993, the RI Board of Directors set aside a permanent home for the restored Room 711 at RI World Headquarters in the Chicago suburb of Evanston.

For more historical information about Rotary, visit Rotary History and Archives or the Rotary Global History Fellowship.



The first four Rotarians: (left to right) Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul Harris.

Rotary Images

Upcoming Events

Feb 11	Game Night
Mar 4	Game Night
Mar 6	Ventura Chamber Breakfast
May 2	2009-10 Board Retreat
May 23	Paul Harris Night
July 4	Push em Pull em Parade
July 17	Step Down
August 8	Ventura County Fair Parade
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Improving sanitation in Madagascar

By Ryan Hyland

Rotary International News -- 29 January 2009

A member of the Rotary Club of Tamatave, Madagascar, signs a document on a new septic tank and water filtration system. Photo courtesy of Charles Welch To improve sanitation and fight waterborne disease, the Rotary clubs of Paris-Est, Val-de-Marne, France, and Tamatave, Madagascar, are teaming up to provide more than 900 septic tanks and water filtration systems to families in Tamatave's poorest areas, Mangarivotra and Mararano.



A member of the Rotary Club of Tamatave, Madagascar, signs a document on a new septic tank and water filtration system. Photo courtesy of Charles Welch

The project is supported by contributions totaling US\$100,000, including a \$42,000 Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation. Other clubs and districts in France and the United States have also donated funds.

Charles de Talhouet, the project coordinator and a member of the Paris-Est club, says the new equipment will benefit more than 7,000 people in a place where a lack of sanitary latrine areas often exposes families to waterborne diseases such as cholera.

"With clean water as one of Rotary's big targets, projects like this will help achieve our goal," says de Talhouet, who lived in Madagascar for years and built close ties to Rotarians there.

Charles Welch, a member of the Rotary Club of Chapel Hill-Carrboro Sunrise, North Carolina, USA, lived in Madagascar for 15 years and was a former member of the Tamatave club. After hearing that his former club planned on a sanitation project, Welch asked his club to get involved. His club raised \$2,000 for the project, and Welch has been in frequent contact with Talhouet on the initiative's progress.

"There is a definite need for adequate sanitation in the poorer communities of Tamatave," says Welch. "Public and private latrines were in horrible condition. In most cases, they were just a dirty black hole.

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Deborah

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Rotary's response to this need will have an extraordinary impact."

The clubs also have partnered with Frères de Saint-Gabriel, a nonprofit that supports educational, social, and economic development in Madagascar, because of the group's track record in installing 2,500 filters and septic tanks in Tamatave.

The organization's staff will select recipients and instruct them how to use and care for the equipment. To foster a sense of ownership, families will pay a \$6 fee for the tanks and water filters and help build, transport, and install them.

Setting up the septic and water filtration units will take about 18 months. During this time, the Tamatave club will monitor the work and communicate with its partners.

In May, during the annual conference of District 9220, which includes Madagascar and six surrounding countries and geographical areas, 350 Rotarians met in Tamatave to ceremonially launch the project.

"Thanks to the family of Rotary, families in Tamatave will lead better lives," says de Talhouet.

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BUT STILL I AM ONE.
I CANNOT DO EVERYTHING,
BUT STILL I CAN DO SOMETHING;
AND BECAUSE I CANNOT DO EVERYTHING
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