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will be a perpetual trophy

presented to the winning

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Saturday August 29th. We

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Jordan Eller announced

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if you are interested.

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Meeting August 20, 2009 Reported by Jordan Eller

President Jeff rang the

Jim Word introduced guests and visiting Rotarians.

President Jeff rang the bell and invited everybody to lunch.

President Jeff thanked the greeter Deborah Roberts. The Inspirational Message was given by John Borneman and then Steve Phillips led us in the Salute to the Flag.

Jim Word introduced guests and visiting Rotarians. Our visitors were Dustin Long and Pete Gallagher's

sister Ardie. We also had Lee Albee, honorary club member, with us today. Welcome to all of you!

We were led in song by John Borneman and Dave Anderson to the tune of Old McDonald and lyrics honoring Pete's sister Ardie's birthday.

Deborah Perkins announced that our raffle prize was

a gift basket from Trader Joes and included in the basket was a gift card to Trader Joes.

Announcements: Our condolences to Midge and Dave Stork on the passing of their son Ty this past week. Also, we need to keep Carol and Allen Olson in our thoughts and prayers. Their newborn grand daughter is in the hospital in critical condition.



Honorary Club Member Lee Albee came for a visit.

The District Conference will be October 23 - 25. We need to have as many people as possible attend. The slate of key note speakers is outstanding and their will be a Rotary Olympics with events such as Sand Castle Building, Poker and Golf on the menu.



Pete Gallagher and his sister Ardie.

people as possible there to help out that day. Also many kudos to Robert and Rachel at Main Course California who are not only going to help source our food, but are opening up their kitchen to let us prep our food.

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Jim Emch led us in Rotary Recognition and in true Rotary fashion came through with a concept at the last minute. Thank you Jim.

Deborah Perkins held our drawing and our lucky winner was our guest Dustin Long! Way to go Dustin.

President Jeff then showed the video about membership that featured D.B. Luz Maria and Santa Barbara Rotarian Merrill Hoffman who has brought in over 70 Rotarians in his Rotary career and almost half

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Presidents Message ...



Jeff Hata President 2009-2010

We held a club assembly at our last meeting and I must say, either nobody is reading The Breeze and looking at the programs or maybe everybody forgot because we actually had a very good turn out.

It was very inspiring to hear the spirited discussions going on at each table. Overall I would say that the discussions were very positive and some great ideas were given that will help us in both fund raising and

membership. Thank you to each and everyone of you who participated and offered an opinion. As promised a recap of the assembly questions will be published in this edition of The Breeze.

Don't forget that our BBQ team will be in action at Conejo Creek for the SemTek BBQ. We will be cooking for about 300 people so we will need many hands to be on deck and working this event. This is by far our largest BBQ event of the year and a big money generator for the club. We would also be remiss in not giving a huge thank you to Robert Jacobi and Rachel Main at Main Course California for helping us secure our food and also for opening up their kitchen to us so that we can prep everything the night before. Rotarians helping Rotarians, isn't that what it's all about?

On a sad note, as I mentioned at the meeting, Midge and Dave Stork's son passed away last week. Also, the grand daughter of Carol and Allen Olson passed away early this week. Please keep Midge and Dave and also Carol and Allen in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this very difficult time.

YIRS,

Jeff

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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?



Club Events

Programs Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

Augst 27, 2009 RI Convention - Jeff, Deborah, Jan September 3, 2009 Habitat for Humanity - Stacy Swanson September 10, 2009 TBA September 17, 2009 Meeting moved to Sept. 19th - Piggy BBQ

Greeters

August 27, 2009 Nikki Sloan & Rich Stewart September 3, 2009 Bill Spellman & Mark Smith September 10, 2009 Midge Stork & Joe Strohman September 19, 2009 Tom Swan & Vance Thompson

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August 27, 2009 - Bob Pazen September 3, 2009 - TBA September 10, 2009 - TBA September 19, 2009 - N/A

Meetings

TBA New Member Training Session

September 17, 2009 Vocational Service 3rd Thu/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

September 1, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting 1st Tue/Month, DW's, 1985 S. Victoria Ave, 7:00 AM

September 14, 2009 Club Service 2nd Mon/Month, Carrows Telephone Rd. 5:30 PM

September 14, 2009 Community Service 2nd Mon/Month, 290 Maple Ct #118 5:30 PM

September 15, 2009 International Service 3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callendars (Victoria) Dr. Noon

> September 17, 2009 New Generations 2nd Thu/Month, 1811 Knoll Dr. 5:30 PM

> Every Monday Buena Interact Club Buena High School, Room 48 12:30 PM

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are still very active Rotarians. What an inspiration!

We then began our assembly. We broke up into four groups. We had two questions to work on so tables 1 & 3 addressed the question on membership. The question was "What should we as a club do to attract and maintain active Rotarians?" Tables 2 & 4 addressed the question on fund raising. The question was "What can or should we do as a club to get ALL of our members to participate in major fund raisers? i.e. Casino Night, Poinsettia Sales, Irish Festival ..."

Our four table facilitators than brainstormed their questions and here is the recap.

Question #1 "What should we as a club do to attract and maintain active Rotarians?"

• Make a list of who you know.

• Make a list of different occupations.

• Create "Power Teams" (Who is in your sphere of influence to recruit into the club.

• Don't overlook other job classifications. ie Administrators, Office Managers etc.

• Keep membership and recruitment at the top of your mind. Always be thinking about who to invite.

• Use an invitation card and/or brochure to invite a guest.

• Be prepared to explain what Rotary is. (Your 10 second presentation/elevator speech.)

• Emphasis the networking aspects of Rotary.

• Be aware of the cost.

• To keep members active we must educate on what Rotary is both from a membership perspective and also the public perspective

• We should seek out former members and ask them if now is the time for them to come back into Rotary.

Question #2 "What can or should we do as a club to get ALL of our members to participate in major fund raisers? i.e. Casino Night, Poinsettia Sales, Irish Festival ..."

• Break down each task into smaller tasks.

• Enhanced tools at the event. i.e. rewards, incentives, etc.

- Written job descriptions.
- Repetition/one on one/personal attention
- Classify jobs, ie. Donations, phone calls, sponsors ...
- Refer to someone who has done that job before.
- Mix socials with fund raisers.

• Each member of the club is responsible for either selling, sponsoring or donating an item for each fund raiser. A check list is created that tracks what each member has donated.

• Weekly reporting on who is involved and at what level for each event.

• Determine profitablility of each fund raiser & vote on whether Meeting, cont'd on page 4 Meeting, cont'd from page 3

to continue with that fund raiser next year. Focus on one or many projects / fund raisers.

Thank you for all of your ideas and from the look of these two lists we have more discussing to do at future assemblies.

Engage your members, and they will stay

Rotary International News -- 25 August 2009

Rotarians, like most people, need to feel like they belong.

That is the No. 1 tip from Mike McGovern, 2009-10 chair of the RI Membership Development and Retention Committee and past RI vice president, on how to expand membership. McGovern says many members leave their Rotary clubs because they don't see how they are contributing, or they feel disconnected from other members.

"We need to connect with members of our club within our meetings and at our projects, but also outside of Rotary," he says. Mike McGovern, 2009-10 chair of the RI Membership "This involves having other members and their families over

for dinner or going together to be a spectator at an event."

McGovern postulates that if more clubs used the assessment tools available on RI's Web site, they could prevent more than half the resignations that occur with the first five years of membership, effectively doubling their size and ability to serve over time.

McGovern and other members of the committee also offered these ideas on promoting membership for Membership and Extension Month:

• McGovern suggests deemphasizing attendance. "Constantly emphasizing attendance is a turnoff to many younger members and to those with family and business obligations. Rotarians should attend meetings because they are a good use of time, not because they would feel guilty not attending."

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Important Dates

| Sept. 19Piggy BBQ |
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| Sept. 24 Ventura Chamber Mixer |
| Weekends in Oct Pumpkin Patch |
| Oct. 1D.G. Luz Maria Visitation |
| Oct. 17Casino Night |
| Oct. 23 - 25District Assembly |
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Development and Retention Committee and past RI

vice president. Rotary Images

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• Rotary clubs should list their accomplishments on their Web site, McGovern says. "A Rotarian recently told me that her favorite meeting was the year-end meeting at which the club president reviewed all the club had accomplished during the prior year. She felt good about being a Rotarian."

• McGovern believes that most communities need to have more than one Rotary club and that larger communities need many clubs. "We need to be in neighborhoods, and our members need to be from those neighborhoods."

• Committee member Rupak Jain suggests clubs place a placard at the head table announcing the classification the club wishes to fill. The emphasis for the next week or two would be to look for a suitable member from that classification. He also feels it is imperative for new members to be linked up with a mentor.

• Past RI Director Ken Collins, vice chair of the committee, suggests that clubs focus on finding worthwhile, hands-on projects that benefit individuals in their community, which will help produce a pool of "satisfied customers" who will publicize Rotary to friends, neighbors, and relatives. "In Rotary, we underestimate the value and power of word-of-mouth advertising. It costs nothing and is repeated over and over again, over a wide area."

This is the fourth in a series of articles on membership tips from experts.

Who is your Tommy?

Rotary International News -- 20 August 2009

William D. Pollard Jr. addresses the District 7600 (Virginia, USA) Convention during his year as governor. Photo courtesy William D. Pollard Jr. Most Rotarians have a story about what first attracted them to Rotary.

For William D. Pollard Jr., 2008-09 governor of District 7600 (Virginia, USA), that story includes a retired banker named Tommy. Pollard recounted the details when he visited clubs in his district during his term to stump for recruitment and retention.

He shared his address with Rotary International News in honor of Membership and Extension





The weekly raffle prize was donated by Rich Stewart. The prize was a Trader Joe's gift basket and gift card.

We did not catch how much was collected for the raffle today.

William D. Pollard Jr. addresses

the District 7600 (Virginia, USA)

Convention during his year as governor. Photo courtesy William

D. Pollard Jr.

Dustin Long was our lucky winner! Congratulations Dustin.

That makes two weeks in a row that a visitor won our raffle. Even more reasons to invite a visitor!

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Month:

When I think of why we should ask someone to join Rotary, I think of Tommy.

Two years after starting my banking career in Richmond, I was asked to work in my hometown of Petersburg. One of the first people to visit me was Tommy Adkins, a retired banker, who asked me to attend a Rotary club meeting.

While I was growing up in Petersburg, Tommy lived on the same street as my family. I even delivered his newspaper. I had no idea what Rotary was but accepted Tommy's kind invitation to visit the Rotary Club of Petersburg.

Tommy passed away several years ago, and he probably never realized the impact he had on my professional and personal life:

Because of Tommy, I have participated in many service projects helping others.

• Because of Tommy, I have tried to follow The Four-Way Test.

• Because of Tommy, I have supported The Rotary Foundation.

• Because of Tommy, I am going to help 2008-09 RI President Dong Kurn Lee reduce child mortality.

• Because of Tommy, my mother is a Rotarian.

• Because of Tommy, I stand before you today as our district governor.

• Because of Tommy, I have made so many new friendships through Rotary.

So I have three questions for each of you:

- Who is your Tommy?
- What impact has Rotary had on your life?

• Have you been or will you be someone else's Tommy?

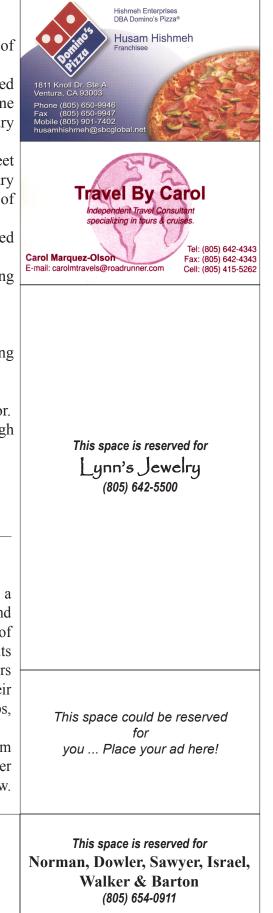
District 5240 GSE to Bangladesh, January 11th through February 8th, 2010.

The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers. The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

Do you know someone who might be interested? To qualify as a Team Member, they must NOT be in Rotary, or have an immediate family member in Rotary. Applicants will be interviewed om August 29th. Go to www. rotarydistrict5240.org for the application.



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