



## Meeting November 12, 2009

*Reported by Jordan Eller*



*Terry McBreen gave our inspirational message.*

President Jeff rang the bell and invited everyone to lunch, guests and visiting Rotarians first!

Jeff thanked our greeter Terry McBreen. Terry also gave our Inspirational Moment and Bill Hicks led us in our Flag Salute.

Dick Gallagher introduced our guests and visiting Rotarians. We had one visiting Rotarian today,

Bill Finley from Ventura-Downtown.

We then sang our song for the day led by our own John Borneman who was accompanied by Dave Anderson.

Deborah Perkins announced that our Opportunity Drawing was a \$50 gift card from Amazon which was donated by Rocky Ludes.

Terry McBreen spoke about the Coats for Kids project. Please take your coats to Dominoes on Telegraph.

Vance Thompson reminded everyone the club Christmas Party will be at the home of Bill & Pam Hicks. Please do what you can to car pool as there is limited parking available.

Judy Hoag reminded everyone to get poinsettia orders. We are currently about 50% of last years level.

We then honored our Students of the Quarter from



*Principal Jesus Vaca from Buena High School visited today.*

Buena High School. Mary Elaine Chaney's student was Richard Ruby, who was sponsored by Dr. Robert Pazen. Roice Bassett selected two students, Cesar Martin, who was sponsored by Domino's (Husam Hishmeh) & Jordan Smith, who was sponsored by Anchor Printing (Jeff Hata). Congratulations to our Student's of the Quarter.

Avenues of Service:

Judy Hoag reminded

everyone that the International Service meeting would be Tuesday November 17 at Marie Callender's, noon. Also that they are planning a trip to Nicaragua from January 24 to January 31. Round trip tickets are currently about \$350.00.

Wendy Pazen spoke about the upcoming Irish Festival in March.

Steve Phillips led our Rotary Recognition session. Topic of totally useless information. Funny, but useless indeed.

Deborah Perkins conducted our Opportunity Drawing and Nikki Sloan was our lucky winner!

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*Chuck Yuncker introduced our Students of the Quarter.*

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## Presidents Message ...



**Jeff Hata**  
President 2009-2010

It's hard to believe that it's the middle of November already! These past four months have gone by so quickly, and I want to tell all of you "Thank you" for all your help and support.

We have had a busy four months to say the least. We hosted the Push-em Pull-em Parade, District Membership Seminar, participated in the Fair Parade, had our Harbor / Fireworks cruise, Casino Night, Piggy BBQ, Pumpkin Patch, District Conference, BBQ's for Harriet Clune, & Semtech, hosted a Chamber Mixer & hosted a BBQ Reception for our D.G. Luz Maria! Wow, what a busy schedule, but we had fun!

Upcoming we have Poinsettia Sales, our club Christmas Party, Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Silvercrest Dinner, Coats for Kids & Sweet Dreams all before Christmas gets here. No rest for the weary!

But that's what I love about our club. We are always busy doing something, which to me is what our club is about. We do great things in the community and we find time to have fun and do some great socials together.

Looking forward to 2010, we will be planning a seance social at the Magic Castle, we have the District Mid-Terms, Rotarians at Work Day, D.G. Luz Maria's Step-Down, my Step Down, R.I. Convention in Montreal.

I've said this before, recently, but I will say it again. This year, more than ever, there are people in real need of help and support. So, if you have gently used coats or jackets hanging in your closet, please bring them to our meetings for Coats for Kids, if you can donate to the Sweet Dreams project, please do that. There is a list of items needed by Sweet Dreams on page 6 of this newsletter. There are also many non-profits in our community that need your help and support this year, Project Understanding, Salvation Army, Turning Point Foundation & FoodShare to name a few.

This is the season for giving, let's not forget to see if we can help some of our neighbor's who may not be so fortunate this year.

YIRS  
Jeff Hata

## 2009 - 2010 Club Board of Directors

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## Avenues of Service Directors

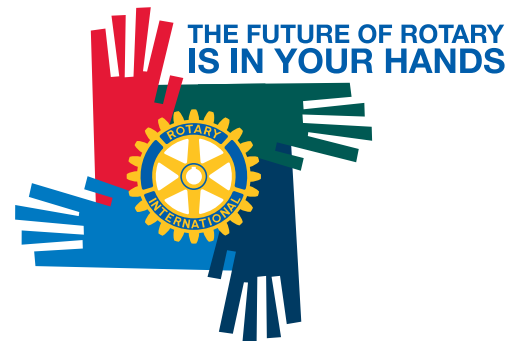
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Tom Swan .....	Community Service
.....	New Generations
Judy Hoag .....	International Service
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## The Four Way Test

**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?



## Programs

Program Chair: Rocky Ludes

**November 12, 2009**

Nicaragua Trip - Dave Anderson

**November 19, 2009**

Avenues of Service Meetings

**November 26, 2009**

Dark

**December 3, 2009**

Poinsettia Delivery Day

## Greeters

**November 19, 2009**

Jim Emch & Pete Gallagher

**November 26, 2009**

Dark

**December 3, 2009**

Dick Gallagher & Bill Gray

**December 10, 2009**

Mohammed Hasan & Tom Hashbarger

## Rotary Recognition

Program Chair: Rich Stewart

**November 19, 2009** - TBA

**November 26, 2009** - Dark

**December 3, 2009** - TBA

**December 10, 2009** - TBA

## Meetings

TBA

New Member Training Session

**November 19, 2009**

Vocational Service

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

**December 1, 2009**

Board of Directors Meeting

1st Tue/Month, DW's, 1985 S. Victoria Ave, 7:00 AM

**December 14, 2009**

Club Service

2nd Mon/Month, Carrows Telephone Rd. 5:30 PM

**December 14, 2009**

Community Service

2nd Mon/Month, 290 Maple Ct #118 5:30 PM

**November 17, 2009**

International Service

3rd Tue/Month, Marie Callendars (Victoria) Dr. Noon

**December 10, 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

Our program was by Judy Hoag and Jan Lindsay about our Nicaragua Projects.

Judy Hoag was on the September trip to Nicaragua with Tom Crozier and Jan Lindsay. She began by saying it was a privilege to go to Nicaragua and serve the people. She introduced Jan, who presented a PowerPoint presentation

Jan began with an overview on poverty around the world. About 40% of the world's population lives on \$2.00 per day or less. The disparity of rich and poor countries has become larger, particularly after WWII. In Nicaragua, many people live on less than \$1.00 per day.

Some of the effects of poverty are

- a) a lack of opportunity,
- b) vulnerability, and
- c) powerlessness.

Rotary East got involved in Pantanal, Nicaragua, through a close-by Rotary Club. Pantanal was a very poor village. However, over the last 7 years of our Club's involvement, there have been a lot of changes.

A preschool has been built and staffed. They have a scholarship program involving 15 students. There is a Clean Water project, involving the Rotary Club of Tulsa, OK, and at this time, about 163 wells have been completed.

In this town of Pantanal, Carolina was found when she was 12 years old selling items on the street. Through our Club's involvement, she will graduate from high school with honors in a few weeks.

What have we learned?

- a) How to create an effective development model
- b) We need to have our own, in-country, professional staff to manage programs
- c) How to create a three-way development
- d) How to help people help themselves

Jan also presented an overview of GoCare Inc., a qualified charitable organization which provides services in Nicaragua. About \$600 per month are spent on the various projects. Jan gave a lot of information about the GoCare development model.

Thank you, Jan, for your excellent presentation, and to Tom and others who are leading the Nicaragua program to help the people of Pantanal.

== Rocky



*P.D.G. Jan Lindsay spoke about our Nicaragua Projects.*

# Students of the Quarter



Bob Pazen awards Richard Ruby with a Student of the Quarter Award.



Husam Hishmeh awards Cesar Martin with a Student of the Quarter Award.



Jeff Hata awards Jordan Smith with a Student of the Quarter Award.

# Important Dates

- Poverty Conference..... Nov 21
- Dark..... Nov 26
- Club Christmas Party..... Dec. 19
- Dark..... Dec. 24
- Dark..... Dec. 31
- District Mid-Terms..... Jan. 16
- Rotarians at Work Day ..... Apr. 24
- D.G. Luz Maria Step Down..... Jun. 12



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# When the Berlin Wall fell, Rotary was there

*Adapted from an article by Matthias Schütt  
Rotary International News -- 12 November 2009*

On a November 1989 evening, hundreds of Rotarians participating in an International Institute packed the foyer of the Hilton in West Berlin. They anxiously waited for taxis to take them to a host hospitality event, but none arrived.

Finally, a hotel employee walked to a microphone and made an announcement, as organizer Peter Lorenz, of the Rotary Club of Berlin-Spree, recounts:

“He said, ‘We have to ask for your patience because the taxis we called can’t make it to the hotel. As you will see, thousands of visitors from the eastern part of the city are on the streets, blocking access to the hotel. We have been waiting for these guests for 28 years, and we ask you to wait with us. The [Brandenburg] gate and wall are open.’”

The fall of the Berlin Wall 20 years ago this month marked the beginning of monumental political changes in Europe, but also the start of a new era in Rotary. The event is largely seen today as the launching pad for the rebirth of Rotary across Eastern Europe.

German Rotarians, stunned by the events of 9 November, rejoiced in the prospect of a reunified Germany and what it would mean to Rotary. They also wasted no time in getting involved, even as the wall itself was



*Enthusiasm for Rotary's role in a soon-to-be reunified Germany was scrawled onto the Berlin Wall before it was dismantled in 1990. Photo courtesy of Rotary Magazin*

Germany, cont'd on page 6

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## Weekly Raffle

Our raffle prize this week was donated by Rocky Ludes. It's was a \$50 gift certificate to Amazon.com.

Our lucky winner was our guest Nikki Sloan. We collected \$130 this week which brings our year to date total to \$1,256.

Thank you to everyone who contributed and congratulations again to Nikki Sloan.



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coming down. Members of the Rotary Club of Berlin-Tiergarten welcomed visitors coming through the wall from East Berlin with tea and coffee. The Rotarians also donated street maps of West Berlin, which the visitors needed because their East German maps didn't indicate any West Berlin streets. "The coffee went cold, but the maps went in a flash," recalls Berlin-Tiergarten club member Jürgen Thormann.

In the weeks and months that followed, West German Rotarians developed strategies for reestablishing clubs that had once existed in the eastern part of the country, in cities such as Chemnitz, Dresden, and Leipzig.


District governors from the Austrian and German districts discussed plans for expanding Rotary into East Germany and neighboring countries, including Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Yugoslavia. Clubs and districts also began conducting seminars with communities in East Germany, many of which helped establish twin city programs or led to Rotary club projects that are still ongoing, 20 years later.

Even though the concept of service clubs was foreign to an entire generation in what had been East Germany, within a year after the German reunification, 49 new clubs were chartered there.

In March 1990, Hugh Archer, who was RI president at the time and attended the International Institute in West Berlin when the wall came down, traveled to the Kremlin to discuss the concept of service organizations with Soviet officials. Three months later, the Rotary Club of Moscow was chartered.

By the autumn of 1995, the reunified Germany had 91 new clubs, and the Rotary movement was rapidly expanding into Eastern Europe.

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## *Announcement*

The following  
has been proposed as new member of  
the Ventura-East Rotary Club:

Name:	Esther Egelko
Classification:	Non-Profit
Proposer:	Jeff Hata

Any objections to this person becoming a member of our club should be brought to the attention of the President, President-Elect or any Director within ten (10) days of this publication.

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