



Crow's Call



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Rotary Meeting - May 28th by Kathe Mitchell

President, Tom Port welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. **Judy Lewis**, our Greeter, provided her Thought for the Day: "The more you appreciate what you have, the more you have to appreciate." Judy led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by singing *God Bless America*, directed by **Don Jones**.

The Aviator turned the meeting over to Past President **Don Jones** who presented 4 Grants:

Tom Martin, Executive Director, Discovery Counseling Center. Funding for the 12 week program "Creating Lasting Families Connections (CLFC)." The program is for at-risk moderate-income middle school youth and their families.



Nancy Clarkson – Eating Disorder Support Group. Funding for support groups for families and those suffering with eating disorders.

Katie Wills – Del Amigo Continuation High. Funding a dishwasher. Note: it is Katie's 37th anniversary as a Special Ed. teacher.



Sgt Mark Gunning – San Ramon Police Dept. Funding for the Youth Police Academy for 9th to 12th grade students who reside in San Ramon.

Robin Stevens reported that the Cal High Interact club had a successful Art & Wind Festival booth selling candied apples Sunday and Monday. The interact club worked hard Saturday and Sunday preparing 1000 apples. Robin thanked **Marc Stillman** for his hard work. Robin presented flowers to the Star of the Event, **Mona Keady**, and owner of Raffine Candy on Alcosta in San Ramon. Mona's expertise and patient teaching skills made the project a success – not to mention her husband's long hours working the caramel!

Thanks went to each member who helped with the San Ramon Rotary booths at the Art and Wind Festival.

The Aviator then turned the meeting over to **Michael Prilutsky**, Chair for the Educator of the Year program. Mike introduced special guests and welcomed the honorees and their principals. He explained that each award envelop contains a \$100 check ("NOT to be used for school supplies."), Certificate's from Contra Costa County Supervisor Mary Piepho, Joan Buchanan of the Calif. State Assembly, one from Jerry McNerney of the House of Representatives acknowledging each honoree and an Educator of the Year Certificate from San Ramon Rotary .

The following 4 presenters each introduced four school's honored teachers and the school principal.

Carolyn Degnan, CEO, San Ramon Chamber of Commerce. She listed some of the many impressive characteristics the honored teachers share.

Service Above Self

Steve Hart of the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District. He described how the educated workforce advances public safety. This is mirrored in society whereby the educated worker can focus on problems and move them to resolution.



Gary Daniel, PE gave an overview of Rotary International's broad actions and goals to better conditions for others.



Mayor H. Abram Wilson, "San Ramon is where families work with teachers to build a solid community for our youth."



*** Names of guests and award recipients listed at the end of this text.

Steven Enoch, Superintendent SRVUSD. He listed common attributes successful teachers in this community share: smile, good communication skills, appreciate humor in life, go the extra mile, able to define excellence, bring enthusiasm to the classroom, kind and sincere, focus on students, demonstrate service above self. We should honor these and each of us should strive to emulate these traits.



President Port had everyone join him in applauding Mike's successful program. **The Aviator** then presented a giant poster to Steven Enoch for the School District to display. The poster had photos of each school's 2009 San Ramon Rotary Educator of the Year honorees.



Principal **Michael Biondi**, Country Club Elementary thanked the San Ramon Rotary Club on behalf of each school, their teachers, staff and principal. He acknowledged the efforts running the Christmas Tree Lot each year which the San Ramon Rotary Club gives the profits to the San Ramon schools. Also, the joy of each 3rd grader when receiving a dictionary of their very own from this club.

Another terrific meeting the club and community can be proud of. Pictures followed the meeting with many Kodak moments for the delighted guests!

Raffle Winners: **Gary Sloan** and guest Council Member Scott Perkins

Next week's greeter: **Steve Renfro**

Donna Montague	California High School	2009 Educator of the Year
Kathy Crosthwait	Twin Creeks Elementary	Principal
Christine Bantley	Twin Creeks Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Lorna Monteith	Neil Armstrong Elementary	Principal
Marsha Gaddis	Neil Armstrong Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Carol Loflin	Quail Run Elementary	Principal
Elizabeth Fink	Quail Run Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Michelle Cooper	Iron Horse Middle School	Principal
Shirley Green	Iron Horse Middle School	2009 Educator of the Year
Don Loflin	Live Oak Elementary	Principal
Judy Vergara	Live Oak Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
David Bolin	Windemere Ranch M.S.	Principal
Kim Vaiana	Windemere Ranch M.S.	2009 Educator of the Year
Nancy White	Golden View Elementary	Principal
Jean Buchen	Golden View Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Sandra King	Walt Disney Elementary	Principal
Sarah Frank	Walt Disney Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Janet Terranova	The Venture School	Principal
Gary Curley	The Venture School	2009 Educator of the Year
Sharon Keeton	Montevideo Elementary	Principal
Diane Sims	Montevideo Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Jason Law	Pine Valley Middle School	Principal
Jason Miller	Pine Valley Middle School	2009 Educator of the Year
Hanna Ma	Hidden Hills Elementary	Principal
Molly Lein	Hidden Hills Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Michael Biondi	Country Club Elementary	Principal
Jenifer Bertolero	Country Club Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Marsha Tokuyoshi	Coyote Creek Elementary	Principal
Ann Beaton	Coyote Creek Elementary	2009 Educator of the Year
Lisa Ward	Gale Ranch Middle School	Principal
Katie Williams	Gale Ranch Middle School	2009 Educator of the Year



Steven Enoch	SRVUSD	Superintendent of Schools
Terry Koehne	SRVUSD	Director, Community Relations
Jane Ware	SRVUSD	Teacher
Gary Ware	SRVEF	Board Member
Adam Cipriano	SRVEF	Board Member
Marianne Gagen	SRVEF	Board Member
Christene Burr	SRVEF	Executive Director
Rachel Hurd	SRVUSD Board of Education	Board Member
Ken Mintz	SRVUSD Board of Education	Board Member
Scott Holder	San Ramon Police	Chief of Police
Abe Medina	San Ramon Police	Character Counts Officer
Mark Gunning	San Ramon Police	School Resource Officer
Rob Ransom	San Ramon Police	School Resource Officer
Scott Perkins	City of San Ramon	Council Member
Jim Livingstone	City of San Ramon	Council Member
Carol Rowley	City of San Ramon	Council Member
Herb Moniz	City of San Ramon	City Manager
H. Abram Wilson	City of San Ramon	Mayor
Roxanne Lindsey	San Ramon Valley Fire District	Trustee
Andrea Olson	Office of Joan Buchanan	Field Representative
Gina Ferretti	Office of Mary Piepho	Field Representative
Cheri Clasen	Office of Jerry McNerney	Field Representative
Chip Shabazian	Live Oak PTA	2009-2010 President
Joe Nelson	e-Waste	President
Laurie Dennen	San Ramon Chamber of Commerce	Attorney at Law
Elle Falahat		Attorney at Law

About Rotary!

An Excerpt from: A CENTURY OF SERVICE – The Story of Rotary International, by *David C. Forward*

The Man behind the Movement (cont'd)

(Continuing with the Paul Harris in the midst of his 5 "vagabond years," by traveling around the country, picking up odd jobs to pay his way. After once again visiting Chicago and deciding that this is where he'll ultimately start his law practice, he was:)

. . . off again, first to New Orleans, which was described as America's most fascinating city. He worked for a while picking oranges in Plaquemine Parish and was in the fields on 1 October 1893 when a sudden storm hit the region. . . . When daybreak came, authorities said this "storm of the century" had claimed 1,200 to 1,500 lives. "Although years have elapsed," he wrote decades later, "the suffering and horror of that night still remain in my memory."

. . . . *(I)t was (now) time to start saving some money in preparation for his move to Chicago. Paul returned to Jacksonville where his friend George Clark welcomed him with a job selling marble and granite. It was the perfect position for Paul: He enjoyed the friendship of his employer and mentor, the money was good, and the job involved considerable travel. He covered the southern states, the Bahamas, and Cuba. A year later, mindful of Paul's memories of, and affection for, London, Clark sent Paul on a long buying trip that extended from Scotland to Italy. For two and a half years, their relationship continued to deepen.*

George . . . offered him a partnership . . . but Paul had already given notice that his five years were up. It was time to go. George pleaded with him to stay, promising him he would earn far more money if they continued to work together, but Paul replied, "I am not going to Chicago for the purpose of making money; I am going for the purpose of making a life." Paul P. Harris, now almost 28 years old, headed for Chicago on 27 February 1896.

(To be Continued)

Did you Know?

That the LN4 (the artificial hand project), Rotoplast, Allowance for Smiles, and the Wheelchair Foundation are NOT part of Rotary International. They are, however, heavily supported by Rotarians -- both with money and volunteers -- all over the world.

Shared by Hermann Welm

Meeting: Thursday, 12:15
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San Ramon Rotary

Greeter Protocol

When you are blessed with the duty of being our greeter, you should remember the following: (1) You should be at the meeting by 11:45 am in order to greet everyone as they come to the meeting. (2) You should bring a "greeter's gift". The gift should be approximately \$20.00 in value. (3) You will be leading the flag salute, giving the inspiration, and introducing the visiting Rotarians. It is a good idea to watch the visiting Rotarians sign in, so that you can ask them about any complicated names or classifications, or just plain BAD handwriting. yap

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Future Programs:

June 4th	Uri Eliahu - Engeo Inc.
June 11th	Kathy Gailey - GSE Team - Africa
June 18th	Tom Port - 2008/2009 Recognitions I
June 25th	Tom Port - 2008/2009 Recognitions II

Upcoming Events and Dates to Remember

July 2nd	Opening Meeting New Rotary Year-Spouses Invited
July 9th	Club Assembly (6-9) No Noon Meeting
July 11th	District 5160 Awards Banquet, Corning
August 9th	Family BBQ - John Tatum's Home
September 22nd	SRRC's 25th Anniversary Gala
October 1-4	District Conference Lake Tahoe NV
October 10th	Carboload 25

Schedule of Greeters:

May 28th	Judy Lewis
June 4th	Steve Renfro
June 11th	Crissy McConnell

