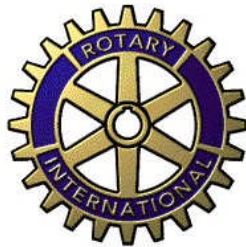


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DISTRICT EVENTS

3/2-3/4 PETS Conference
4/7 District Assembly
4/27-29 RYLA CAMP
**2007 RI Convention in
Salt Lake City, 17-20 June**

COMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

March 6 Model United Nations-Saddleback College Students.
March 13-Former R.I. Exchange Student, Blake Erickson, sharing how the experiences impacted his life.
March 20 Area Water Update - Mr. Bob Jordan, Water Quality Manager with Santa Margarita Water District.
March 25th Sunday Pancake Breakfast for Special Olympics (Esperanza School)
\$\$\$\$\$May 20-Sunday IMPROV FUND RAISER\$\$\$\$\$

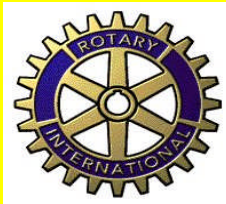
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3/6 Breanna Weeks
3/13 Nick Alpino
3/20 Brigette Archer
3/27 Victory Avery



February is
World Understanding
Month

THE PEACEMAKERS International Services



Program Meeting
February 20, 2007
Report from our
International
Service
Committee

The objective of our International Service Committee is to promote goodwill, understanding and peace throughout the world and Honorary member Col Krishna Mathur suggested that we create a panel of our club's "peacemakers" and make a presentation to our club.



George Cooper (shown above) was asked to moderate the panel shown left to right, Dr Pushpa Chandwani, Krishna Mathur, Ross Boling and Dr Richard Frieder. Each panelist was asked to report on our club's activities in International Service and then accept questions from the floor. (see next page for the reports).

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THE PEACEMAKERS

International Service

Col Krishna Mathur is shown reporting on the interaction between his Poona, India Club and our club .



PANELISTS

Dr Pushpa Chandwani-Director
Honorary Member, Col Krishna Mathur
Dr Richard Frieder-Project Manager
George Cooper Project Manager
Ross Boling- Assit to District Governor

February is Rotary's WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH and our club's International Service Committee welcomed our club members to the Rewarding World of this service where our objective is to promote world peace through goodwill actions and an understanding attitude. And the need for world peace and understanding in the present global scenario is even greater today than ever before, and Rotary is the vital tool to assist in achieving it. As Rotarians we are the peacemakers!!

During the program, we heard from these Peacemakers:

PPCol Krishna Mathur who gave us a thumbnail report on the activities of his Poona India club (5th oldest club in India) and Krishna emphasized the importance of the Rotary friendship Exchange program which included a trip by Richard and Susan to his club 7 years ago and how it helped promote goodwill and understanding.

Dr Pushpa Chandwani has just returned from India and gave us a report on our clubs interaction with the Thane East Rotary Club of India including our successful Matching Grant project for the hearing impaired as well as other projects such as Water storage tank.

PPDr Richard Frieder reported on our activities with the Door of Faith orphanage including our annual Christmas trip by many members of our club bringing not only Christmas gifts (with Santa) and the most important Eye Exams by LaPaz Optometric furnishing glasses to the children and staff alike. Also our supplying uniforms , a water well and continuously supplying food, clothing and supplies via our Rotary Goods Bank throughout the year.

Richard, wjho is our District Rotary Friendship Exchange Director, also emphasized the importance of this program in developing better understanding between Nations.

PPGeorge Cooper as Manager for our Libano Colombia projects gave us a thumbnail report on our: Housing Project; Our Coffee Project (where we just had successfully completed a Matching Grant and how we awere also successful in the Rotary Friendship Exchange program between our two clubs which was climaxed last year with a visit by George and Margaret to the Libano Rotary Club. George also sent out a separate report. Electronically to all club members entitled "Bendiga Journal".

PPRoss Boling who is current Executive Assistant to our District Governor(DG Lane Calvert) told us about the Rotary Foundation and how it helps with Matching Grants, Ambassadorial scholarships including Teachers Scholarships, ,Group Study Exchange and Rotary World Peace Scholarships, all of which has helped promote better understanding, goodwill and peace among nations touched by Rotary.



The Starr with the Esperanza starlets gave us an excellent insight in to the Special Olympics and what it means to the participating students .

SPECIAL OLYMPICS AND ESPERANZA SCHOOL

Our program today was a follow-up program on the Esperanza School and their Special Olympics Program. Starr Avedesian, the Principal of the school, had her Activities Director Christine Shelgosh with her and one of their students and Special Olympics competitor, Christopher Barr.

A very informative power point presentation was given. It showed many students, teachers, and parents and many of the activities that lead up to the preparations and training for the Special Olympics.

Christopher Barr was there and answered a few questions about his involvement in the program. He is involved in Running, Swimming, Bowling, and Shot Put. He had a gold medal, a silver medal and a bronze medal for his accomplishments and was thankful to the Rotary Club for our support for the program with our Pancake Breakfast.

This year the Pancake Breakfast is is being held on March 25 at the Esperanza School. Sponsors have already contributed \$3100 dollars and it is hoped that more sponsors will come from businesses around the area and the sale of tickets will be up this year. A goal of \$10,000 has been set and with some raffle tickets at \$2 are being sold for the many prizes that will be awarded at the Breakfast. All money raised will aid the Esperanza School and their Special Olympics program.

Verl Nash

WHY ROTARY?

One of the answers is the story above

Play Ball!!!
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Our Angels Outing

Angels v. Chicago White Sox

May 4, 2007 at 7:05

Big Bang Friday Night !!!

\$15 per ticket, 50 tickets available

See Cal Droege for tickets!

Circle your calendar in green (for money!!)

SUNDAY MAY 20, 2007

IMPROV FUNDRAISER

And in the meantime bring auction items and remind your partner!!

Share Rotary

MEMBERS

Bring A Guest

Nicholas Alpino (Charlene)- Group Travel
PP Brigitte Archer - Mortgage Broker
PP Victory Avery (Dan) -General Insurance
Linda Blench (Karl) Contract Negotiator
PP Robert Blohm -Senior Active Agriculture
PP Ross Boling (Janet) -Incentive Promotions
Robert Bridges (Betty) -Robotics Engineer
Robert Brown-(Joanne) Investments
PP Barry Brownell (Ety) - Restaurateur
Dr Pushpa Chandwani (Nanik) -Medical Doctor
PP George Cooper (Margaret) -Adhesive Distributor
PP William Craycraft -Sales/Marketing
Cu V. Ngo (Thi) Production Management-Retired
PP Calvin L Droege (Bobbie) -Attorney
Robert J Duffy (Moraima) - Financial Advisor
Paul Dyke (Kathleen) Computer Service
Dr.Steve Fish (Sue) School Superintendent
PP Dr. Richard Frieder (Susan)- Optometrist
Robert Germeroth (Jore') -Engineer
Bill Greenfield Sr (Sandra) International Operations)
Bill Greenfeild Jr (Sherry) Life and Health Insurance
James Hansen (Catherine) Educator
PP Ed Heeren (Virginia)- Aircraft Sales

PP Bill Kersten (Carol) -Computer Service
Carol Kersten (Bill) -Honorary
PP Heidi Larkin-Reed (Rusty) Chamber of Commerce
Daniel "Joe" Lavoie (Kathryn) Mortician
Jim Leach (Dot) -VP Government Affairs
Dave Leckness (Nancy) -Printing
Don Lewellen (Judy) -CPA
John Lucas (Susan) Manager -Food Service
PP Col (Ret) Krishna Mathur (Pravena) - Honorary
PP Dr Tom MacKinnon (Jeannine) Dentist
PP John McEwan (Jack) Code Enforcement (Retired)
PP Bob McQueen (Mary Jo) -School Administrator
PP Norm Miller (Pauline) -Piano Tuner
Steve Mugg (Susan) -Consultant
PP Richard Murray (Paula) -Attorney-General Practice
PP Verl Nash (Suzanne) - Education
Dennis O'Connor (Bonnie) -Real Estate
Gary Poertner (Adair) -Community College Administration
PPDave RukstalisCLU/ChFC (Ladona) Insurance Employee Benefits
Dr Aaron Sako (Mako) -Optometrist
Scott Walker -Financial Planner
Jack Wallace (Jeanne)- Real Estate Residential
Breanna Weeks- Event Organizer

MAKE-UP AREA CLUBS

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•**Monday Anaheim 12 Noon**

Edison Field 2000 Gene Autry Way- Anaheim

•**Tuesday 12:00 pm Laguna Niguel**

St Regis Hotel ,1 Monarch Beach Resort, Dana Point

Coto de Caza-RSM 7:15pm

Dove Canyon Country Club 22682 Golf Club DrT.C.

•**Wednesday 7:15 am Monarch Bch Sunrise**

Ritz Carlton Hotel Monarch Beach Dana Point

•**Wednesday 12:00pm Saddleback Valley/Lake Forest**

Baker's Square @ 23515 El Toro Road, Lake Forest,

Thursday 12Noon San Clemente

San Clemente Inn 2600 Avenida del Presidente

•**Friday 12:00pm Laguna Beach**

The 4 Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and Better **FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?