



Sunrise over San Luis Rey Rotary Club of Oceanside

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Prez. Sarah sez: See page 2

ROTARY OLYMPIC GOLD HONOREES:

Since it's fabulous winter Olympics season, allow editorial license to acknowledge awards to just a few of our many members:

Gold – for service above self to Prez Sarah for taking her time and money to go to Pascagoula, MS, to help clean up after the storm devastation

Gold – to Billie for having the forethought of a helping hand to send a monetary donation to help ease ravaged lives of individuals

Gold – goes to Elliot and Leslie for attaining their Blue Badges

Gold -- to Elliot and Ebru on their special delivery of our newest little Member -- Xander

Others competing in games but not necessarily winning gold are:

Metal – in the cross-country event to Red and Tina for leaving us to go to smallville, PA. Okay, there is **gold** in their metal since they're moving back to assist Red's father. Thanks from our Club to you both for being great members in the past. We will truly miss you both and wish you the very best. We'll let you keep the gold if you promise to stay in touch

Scrap – in the curling event to Carol for being a potty mouth—hee hee!

Scrap – in the village idiot event that our visiting Rotary President agreed to enter at Mike's encouragement

Prez Sarah sez:

DO YOU REMEMBER WHERE YOU WERE WHEN?

Those of us who were alive when John F. Kennedy was shot or who lived in New York City when the Beatles came to the US to appear on Ed Sullivan Show (or remember watching them on TV) or learning that your first grandchild was born or (name your own significant event) – we can remember in great detail where we were, what we were doing, etc?

Well, I hope that the Rotarians @ Work day (4/29/06) will become a memory you treasure. Obviously, it will not have the impact of a national tragedy or a new birth, but I hope that it will be a top memory for you this Rotary year.

When District Governor Bob Watson began his year as District Governor of District 5340, he had a dream, a dream of every Rotarian in District 5340 working in their local communities on one specific day. As other District Governors heard of his project, other Rotarian @ Work Days have sprung up all over the world. It is expected that in the years to come we will see every Rotarian, everywhere there are Rotary Clubs working in their local communities on one specific day – worldwide. Now wouldn't that be something special.

This year in District 5340 that specific day is April 29th. For us in the San Luis Rey Rotary Club, on that day we will work side by side with students, faculty and administrators of Ocean Shores High School. At this time, students at OSHS have to grab a corner of a bench, block wall or stand to take their lunch break. The dream at Ocean Shores is to have a dedicated eating area. Their dream is that this area will be more than picnic benches and trash cans. They want an area that is welcoming and attractive and one they can take pride in.

By the March Club Assembly meeting, Reggie will have a list of projects that Rotarians, School officials and students will be doing. A preliminary list includes items such as 1) trimming bushes, 2) planting bushes, 3) moving picnic tables from all over the campus to a designated lunch area, 4) installing blue tarps for shade and cover, plus so much more. If you know of anyone with a pallet jack, we would really benefit from having one to use that day.

We have approached Lowe's, Home Depot and Armstrong Nursery (Evergreen Nursery has already donated mulch) about donating plants, benches, pallet jacks, and other needed materials. Reggie is also approaching nurseries in his new home town (Fallbrook). As soon as we know what we can get donated, we will have a better handle on what we might need to contribute to make this dream a reality. [This is a message hidden in this text. If you are the first to acknowledge this message at our Wednesday meeting, you will be treated to a lunch with our President.]

For the next couple of weeks, the Rotarians @ Work clipboard will be circulated. Once specific duties are identified, you will be approached to select your preferred duty. Peg Cowman expects the entire project to take less than 4 hours so please do save Saturday morning from 8 – 12 noon to join our friends at Ocean Shores.

This is a great opportunity to invite potential members to see what we are all about. There may be a prospective member that would love to roll up their sleeves and join us. They may be waiting for your invitation.

More on this evolving project as we get closer to April 29th.....

Don't let it be said....

Family Recovery Center continues to need what we love to supply: Baby food. So please go shopping for baby food & bring it with you to our next meeting. Or...if you prefer not to shop, leave the shopping to Bob Schroeder. He loves to shop for babies.

So that means that next Wednesday I will be collecting cash from all you non-shoppers. Bob will then take our loot, multiply its buying power many times at the MC Commissary, thus bringing huge smiles to the faces of FRC mothers, and happy gurgles to their babies. Wednesday. Come with baby food or come with cash. Thanks.

David Plank

The Newest Schroeder

On February 16th, a little bundle of joy came our way.

Xander came in at 7 lbs 15oz and 20 inches long. He's a lot of fun and I hope you all meet him soon!

Elliot and Ebru and Xander too!



Show me the money!

by Past Prez Curt

As most of you know the San Luis Rey Rotary Club plays an important part in many programs that help and enhance the lives of many, both in our community and beyond. This participation is accomplished through the efforts of our members both through participation and monetarily. Of course we all need to take active rolls in what we do, but as important is the moneys we have available to make these programs happen. For example, our Club makes a huge impact on the lives of many students at Ocean Shores High school. Many of the students have limited opportunity and our Club is able to hopefully make an impact in their lives through our sponsorship of RYLA and through the scholarships we provide. That is why it is VERY IMPORTANT to be able to have the funds available to provide these opportunities. Our current primary fundraising event is rapidly approaching this spring. The Rotary Clubs of Oceanside Golf Tournament is on the books and with the help of ever member we are looking forward to another successful event. Detail of the event will be coming.

Over the past few years our Club Leadership has been exploring additional Fundraising events for our club. This is because there is SO MUCH we can do to help others. Previously we were looking into a casino night or an art auction, but as all the logistics began to unfolded we began to lose interest in these type of events. Currently we are looking into an entertainment event that is done in the spring and in the fall. This event will be fun to do and involve only a modest amount of preparation if we all get involved. Also we will be considering a Saint Patrick's Day event beginning next year. This might be our "spring event" which has the potential to be great (more to follow).

That is all for now, so get ready to have fun, making funds, to help those who need our help. For more info contact Curt McRae cmcrae@curtismcraedds.com

Thank\$ Curt

From Membership Chair Greg Weeding:

Let's get fired up...

Again, we all know how important it is for a club to continually increase its membership. Remember, the club has Foundation Recognition Points available to use at its discretion. For those who bring in a new member, the club will contribute \$50.00 towards their Paul Harris Fellow. This will be one way for the club to say "thank you" for helping the club to grow. We all know how vital club growth is and what new members can bring to a club, so lets make it happen.

Member updates/scoop

Members are too busy to keep up with, but we need to be watching the milk cartons, or maybe the police bulletins for those members we haven't seen in a loonnng time. We may need a committee to go on an MIA detail to find, seek, rescue and bring back:

Kay McDaniels [I did hear there was an attack of the giant avocado but the news report said no one was injured no hostages were taken—so that doesn't explain Kay's absence]

Kathleen O'Hagan [The news says the real estate sales are a little slower right now, but still no Kathleen??] And one to add to our list is **Miriam**, who has been missing but assumed still captive in Washington, D.C.

We did have a Reggie citing, but only because he was accompanying the new Police Chief to speak at our meeting. Humm. And Dusty made an appearance once.

Dennis' Prose...

For those who missed it, we had some newly developed and fresh prose from Dennis. We didn't even have to wait for a Rotary installation/demotion to hear some verse from Dennis. Of course it was because he was trying to get out of his fine for not submitting anything in our Special Valentine Newsletter. So, we thought in case you hadn't had enough, we'd print it up for you to absorb. Who knows, Dennis may be a famous poet some day... only not today... hee hee

"Roses are red, violets are blue,
the newsletter's ahead, we're counting on you.

You will all participate, was her majesty's decree;
The Newsletter awaits, sweet nothings written by thee.

If you don't respond, the punishment is high;
Break the Rotary bond, and you'll pay till you cry.

So, I went to reply, but I discovered, alas,
The time had gone by, the deadline had passed.

So the Club is ahead, and old Dennis is blue;
I have to cough up some bread, to feed the damned shoe.

So to put this to bed, I must say to you...
Roses are red, violets are blue
Valentines Day is past, so please kiss my Paul Harris pin."



To keep up with how our young family members are doing, here's the picture that was meant to go with Tina's Valentine message. Wow, Brianna!

PLEASE – **ALL ROTARIANS**
MARK YOUR CALENDAR for **APRIL 29** for
ROTARIANS @ WORK DAY AT OCEAN
SHORES HIGH SCHOOL
– NEED FULL PARTICIPATION PLEASE!