

Rotations

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John Sherry opened the meeting with a moment of silence in memory of those who died on September 11, 2001.

Steve Falk told us of his friend since college who died in the plane that crashed into the Pentagon. Today his friend's widow and two children attended the ceremony at the

Pentagon to honor the victims and to unveil memorial benches with each victim's name.

Visiting Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg, Russia: Ibadulla Satybalov, 1999 President; Ludmila Petrova; Nadezda Sofronova, past president, Assistant District Governor; Sergey Krushinsky, current President; Oleg Subaev; and Alina Satybalova, Rotary Club of Lafayette Exchange Student: 2001-2002.

Bob Shusta reminded us of the two potluck suppers on Friday and Saturday in honor of the visiting Russians.

John Sherry announced that the Danville club is renting a bus for "Rotary Day at Golden Gate Fields" and can stop in Lafayette to pick us up. \$30 includes lunch at the Turf Club. See John if you are interested. Also, Rossmoor is having an Oktoberfest on Oct. 1.

A.C. Webb reminded us to sign up to assist with the Golf & Wine Classic and to donate your wine ASAP to Larry with its value.

Jay Lifson solicited more volunteers for the Art & Wine festival and Geoff Zimmerman filled the last slot for the Rotary tent.

Don Anderson mentioned that today was the last day to give to Shelter Inc. for a couple of weeks.

SPEAKERS: Bob Shusta welcomed visiting members of the Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg, Russia, who have come to

the U.S. to celebrate with us the tenth anniversary of their club charter and to attend the 25th anniversary of the Center for Citizen Initiatives Productivity Enhancement Program (PEP).

The Center for Citizen Initiatives, or CCI, was founded in 1983 in San Francisco. In 1996, the Productivity Enhancement Program (PEP) started, and our club was one of the first in the U.S. to participate. CCI PEP was designed to provide assistance and an exchange of professional ideas between Russians and Americans. Our club hosted 10 Russian delegations consisting of 11 bakers and a facilitator -- 120 Russians between 1996 and 2006.

In 1996, one of our bakery delegates, Ibadulla Satablov, asked if our club would assist in chartering the first Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg, the third club in Western Russia. We agreed, and with our assistance, they were chartered in 1998, with the Rotary Club of Lafayette as their parent club.

It is significant that they are here today, 9/11, because our Rotary club received a letter from the Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg following the terrorist attack on New York City and the Pentagon.

Because of the PEP program, in 1999, Bob Shusta traveled through Russia for five weeks and attended one of the first meetings of the Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg.

Bob Shusta presented a plaque in honor of their 10th anniversary. Ibadulla Satybalov presented Bob Shusta with several gifts. The Russian Rotarians introduced themselves.



CELEBRATING LIFE 100 TIMES OVER

By Diana Schoberg, Rotary International News
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Photo by Jim Graham

On 22 July, Josiah Ntoko from Tongo from Dakar, Senegal, became the 100th child to receive a heart operation through RI District 6560's (Indiana, USA)

Gift of Life program.

Run in partnership with Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, the program provides treatment for children who wouldn't have access to it otherwise because of where they live.

The hospital performs the surgeries for free, while Rotarians cover costs such as lodging and travel. The Indiana program is part of the larger Gift of Life International network, which has helped nearly 10,000 children since 1975.

District 6560's Gift of Life program started in 1998 and has benefited children from about 30 countries.

The project made international headlines after a one-year-old boy, who had been examined by a doctor in the Indiana National Guard at an Afghan refugee camp, was found to have a congenital heart defect. A Rotarian serving with the unit connected him with Gift of Life, and he was brought to Riley Hospital.

Unfortunately, the boy died days after returning to Afghanistan, despite receiving what was hoped to be a life-saving heart surgery.

After operating on three children from Iraq in 2006, the project's medical team was inspired to travel on medical missions to the Middle East, going to Jordan in March 2007 and again in March 2008, says Jim Graham, a past governor for District 6560. ...



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MAKE UP MEETINGS NEARBY

MON

12:00 Danville, Brass Door, San Ramon

TUES

07:00 Walnut Creek Sunrise, Scott's Seafood

07:00 Danville-Sycamore, Crow Canyon Country Club, San Ramon

12:15 Moraga, Soda Center

12:00 Walnut Creek, Heather Farms Garden Center Bldg

05:30 Diablo View, 1515 Restaurant, WC

WED

12:00 Rossmoor, Hillside Clubhouse

12:15 Alamo, Round Hill Golf

12:15 Orinda, Community Center

12:15 Concord-Diablo, Marie Callendars

FRI

07:00 Lamorinda, Postino

12:15 Concord, Concord Hilton

GIVE HOPE - GIVE A HAND



The Rotary Club of Lafayette donates an LN-4 Prosthetic Hand in the name of our speakers each week. The LN-4 Prosthetic Hand transforms lives and empowers those who have lost hands and limbs due to land mines, birth defects, and other catastrophes.



UPCOMING SPEAKERS

09/18 Jay Lifson, Instructions for Art & Wine Festival
09/25 TBD
10/02 TBD
10/06 Dinner at Golf & Wine Classic in lieu of 10/09 regular meeting
10/09 No meeting
10/16 TBD
10/23 TBD

LOCAL ROTARY EVENTS

09/12 Potluck for Russians at Bob Shusta's home
09/13 Potluck for Russians at Terry Camp's home
09/20-21 Lafayette Art & Wine Festival
10/01 Oktoberfest, Rossmoor
10/06 Lafayette Rotary Golf & Wine Classic, Rossmoor Golf Course
10/14 Board meeting, 5, Laf Chamber
10/18 Rotary Day at Golden Gate Fields
10/23-25 Rotary District Conference, Concord Hilton
10/26 Reservoir Run/Pancake Feed

ROTARY INT'L EVENTS

06/21-24 2009 RI Convention, Birmingham, England

BIRTHDAYS

09/04 Terry Camp
09/04 John Sherry
09/11 Dick Holt
09/23 Bob Ewen

ANNIVERSARIES

09/02 Sandi Mitchell
09/05 Joe Capozzi
09/07 Bob Aguilar
09/07 Terry Camp
09/10 Don Anderson
09/10 Milt Bruzzone
09/15 Bob Ewen
09/25 A.J. Nisen
09/27 Bill Whitten

GREETERS

09/18 Jack Hansen
09/25 Mo Levich
10/02 Mo Levich
10/09 Peggy Harbarth
10/11 Mike Heller

