

Rotations

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Meetings:
Thursdays 12:15 pm
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President John Sherry opened the meeting sporting a well tanned head from being hatless on the beach in San Diego for his son's wedding. John corrected the record of the chartering of the Lafayette Rotary as Berkeley, as well as Walnut Creek, was a sponsor. This cost Bill Eames \$5.

Guests: Erik Behr, principal oboist, Rochester Symphony; Kyle Athayde, attending Julliard in New York City; Paul Laden, a videographer.

Mo Levich announced that the Rossmoor Big Band arranger has a new arrangement of 12 Gershwin tunes that will premiere at the Concert at the Res and be dedicated to Lafayette Rotary. Mo said there are plenty of seats for those who don't dance to attend the May 1 Big Band Dance at the Rheem Theater.

Troy Feddersen reported that the Bentley Interact E-waste event was successful and they raised \$1,000.

Bob Aguilar said there are sufficient numbers of folks going on the Wine Tour and there is room for 2 or 3 more.

Geoff Zimmerman announced that the *Odd Couple* Show is tonight. The theatre sustained sprinkler damage last week.

SPEAKER: Bob Shusta was the speaker and presented a history of past Outreach projects plus the on-going Arizona Project for which Lafayette Rotary donated \$1,500 to support. Past outreach projects were:

1992 A \$15k deep well water system for Mulege, Mexico. Orinda & Mulege Rotary Clubs also participated.

1996-2007 Russia Bakery Owners/Managers training program.

1998 Rotary Club of Ekaterinburg, Russia Chartered/Bob Shusta

2000 Ray Bland visited Ghana, Africa to provide polio inoculations.

2000-2004 Fire truck for Valle de Guadalupe, Mexico in conjunction with Rotary Club of Ensenada.

Bob said outreach opportunities are here in USA so no need to go to Mexico, Africa or Russia to participate. He showed a project initiated by the Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church, The Native American Outreach Ministries Inc. (NAOMI).

1993 Linda Russell from Kentucky started a foster home on Navajo Nation Reservation that became NAOMI.

1995 Foster home established near Joseph City near Winslow 70 miles east of Flagstaff between interstate 40 and major railroad line for abused and neglected Navajo, Apache and Hopi children from infant to 18.

1996 Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church and NAOMI cooperate in Remodels Buildings:/ Ministry Center – 5,000 sq ft /Staff home – 2900 sq ft and Black Rock Church.

2009 WCPC NAOMI and Black Rock Church home remodel takes place June 20 to 27 and anyone may participate. Cost is \$125/person for food the whole week.

A Fundraiser is being held on April 19 at WCPC. Perhaps a good way for the wine-O's to recover.





Courtesy of the Great Australian Bike Ride

Riders and support crew for the first stage of the Great Australian Bike Ride take a group photo in Tasmania.

ROTARIANS BIKE AROUND AUSTRALIA

Donna Polydoros, Rotary Int'l News - 9 Apr 09

Australian Rotarians have embarked on the longest organized bike ride in their nation's history: a seven-month, 18,000-kilometer (11,200-mile) journey to raise awareness of Rotary, Australian Rotary Health, and the need to fund mental illness research.

The [Great Australian Bike Ride](#) is sponsored by [Australian Rotary Health](#), an RI Board-approved, multidistrict project that raises money for and provides grants to medical and mental health research projects.

"Rotarians welcome any novel opportunity to get involved and to help the community," says Dick White, chair of the event.

Riders took off from Melbourne on 21 March, then took a boat to their first stop, Hobart, Tasmania, looping around the island before returning to the mainland. Over the next seven months, riders will circle the country counterclockwise, stopping in the capital cities of each of Australia's states and territories before ending in Melbourne on 10 October.

Over 100 participants, many of them Rotarians, plan to ride one or more of the nine stages of the course. Five of the riders expect to complete the entire route.

Rotarians helped plan the event by surveying portions of the course and volunteering to find housing for the riders, supply meals, and host fundraisers.

"We hope to have major fundraising events in the capital cities, and large attendances at these would ensure their success," says White.

Event officials welcome additional riders for the remaining stages of the journey and invite Australian Rotary clubs to organize community rides to coincide with the event. Clubs are also encouraged to hold fundraisers to support mental health research.



THE FOUR 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?

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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.

MAKE UP MEETINGS

See 'Where Clubs Meet' for meeting times and locations of nearby clubs:

www.rotary5160.org/clubs/meetings.php



UPCOMING SPEAKERS

- 04/16 Linda Lubitz Boone, Financial Planning and Climbing Mt Kilimanjaro
 04/23 John Rossell III, Starting a new bank in these economic times
 04/30 Jenni Beeman, Junior Achievement
 05/07 TBD
 05/14 Rosemary Cameron, East Bay Regional Park District
 05/21 Thomas Peterson, Owner, Rheem Theatre

LOCAL & DISTRICT EVENTS

- 04/18 Wine Tour, 10:30am, Bank of the West
 04/18 Cycle for Sight & Rotary Ride for Veterans
 04/25 Rotarians at Work Day, Lafayette Community Center
 04/26 RI Conflict Resolution workshop, UC Berkeley
 05/16 Concert at the Res
 05/19 Adopt-A-Poll, special election
 10/01-04 Dist. Conference, Lake Tahoe
 11/07 Rotary Day at the Races, Golden Gate Fields

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

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

BIRTHDAYS

- 04/01 Lisa Cohen
 04/01 Ron Wake
 04/07 Daniel Barnes
 04/10 Warren Rupf
 04/12 Sandi Mitchell
 04/13 Mike Kearney
 04/16 Tom Courtright
 04/17 Dale Turner
 04/18 Debbie Cooper
 04/18 Larry Duson
 04/26 Geoff Zimmerman

ANNIVERSARIES

- 04/19 Geoff Zimmerman

GREETERS

- 04/16 Bob Shusta
 04/23 Anna Stevenson
 04/30 Ed Stokes
 05/07 Barry Toomajian

