

Rotations

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Meetings:
Thursdays 12:15 pm
Oakwood Athletic Club
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Lafayette, CA

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President Sandi Mitchell opened the meeting.

Visiting Rotarians:

Jim Jorgensen Former Lafayette Member Now living in Palm Springs

Guests:

Chris Kelly guest of Tracy, Gordon Steele RPM Mortgage





Jay Lifson reminder about Town Hall Theatre Benefit with the Sun Kings, the Beatles cover band on Saturday May 22nd and also a reminder about Taste of Lafayette on Tuesday May 18th there are still plenty of tickets available

Troy Feddersen reminder about the membership event at Wine Thieves Thursday June 3rd. It's \$10 for Rotarians and free to those who bring a guest.

Bob Shusta reminder about Saturday's concert at the res and asks for 1 more van

Bob Aguilar announces that this is his last meeting

Recognitions:

John Sherry presents Tracy with a Rotary Umbrella for her move to Portland

Happy \$\$:

Tom Henry for reading the galleys of Jim Jorgenson's new book

Larry Blodgett for not getting fined

Jay Lifson for his daughters' graduations from high school and college

Bob Shusta for Bob Aguilar's wife getting a break from Bob while he's gone

Dick Holt for his son in the State Department who is headed to Afghanistan

Mike Heller for his positive blood tests

Maurice Williams for his new office

Don Anderson for his positive blood tests

Speaker:

Elisabeth LaScala a certified Admissions Advisor and writer for the Lamorinda Weekly spoke about college admissions and how to prepare teenagers for college. She provided an overview of how the public and private universities handle their admissions and how they evaluate students. She spoke about the California Master Plan for Higher Education. The UC system accepts 12.5% of high school students, the CSU 33% and the Community Colleges any HS graduate 18 or older. The current challenges for students are due to the budget crisis. The state of California has reduced admissions as well as cut budgets leading to a reduction in programs and difficulty recruiting faculty. UC Admissions were detailed in a few steps. Step 1 is evaluating whether the student is eligible for UC admission. If the student is eligible then they proceed to Step 2 which is actual selection of the individual student. To be eligible the student has to have completed the requisite college prep courses, passed the exams (ACT, SAT), have a GPA meeting the guidelines. The GPA is evaluated from 10th and 11th grades. Unfortunately Ms. LaScala did not have time to finish her presentation due to technical difficulties.

Rotary International News

A matter of conviction

By Tara Kalmanson
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Roxana Saberi Photo by Tommy Giglio

Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars always impress, but Roxana Saberi, who left the United States for Tehran in 2003 as a foreign correspondent, has become an international celebrity and a face for human rights in Iran.

The former political prisoner, released from Tehran's notorious Evin Prison in May 2009, sat down for a Q&A luncheon at the Union League Club in Chicago on 13 April. Her national tour served to promote her book, *Between Two Worlds: My Life and Captivity in Iran*, published 30 March. Saberi recalled the many lessons she learned from fellow female political prisoners, the events that led to her freedom, and her life before Evin.

Other News:

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

and locations of nearby clubs:
<http://rotary5160.org/clubs/where-clubs-meet/>

Club Calendar

Upcoming Speakers

5/20/10 Club Assembly
 5/27/10 Pat Vitucci - Vitucci and Assoc. Don't Invest and Forget Seminar
 6/3/10 East Bay Stand Down – Steve Lackenbauer
 6/10/10 Rotary Millionaire

Local & District Events

Lafayette Car Wash 20 years in business open house, 5:00PM to 7:00PM. Rotary Foundation Day, Yin Ranch, Vacaville, \$100.00 donation to EREY by 5-1-10 chance to win a trip to an International Rotary Project, \$15 per adult, \$5 kids 12 & under. Wine tasting at Wine Thieves, membership drive, 5:30PM to 7:00PM, no charge but bring a prospective member or two.
 6/3/10

Rotary International Events

2010 RI Convention, Montreal, Canada

Birthdays

05/01 Jay Lifson
 5/28 Margaret Harbarth
 5/31 Donald Anderson
 6/02 Larry Blodgett
 6/13 Ray Bland
 6/18 Bob Shusta
 6/18 Bill Eames

Anniversaries

05/04 Anna Stevenson
 05/16 Ron Wake
 06/03 Andy Scheck
 06/09 A.C. Webb
 06/10 John Sherry
 06/20 Tom Henry
 06/26 Ray Bland

Greeters

5/20 Ed Stokes
 5/27 Barry Toomajiar
 6/3 Greg Vaisnor
 6/10 Chuck Vogel

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Notes by Erin McCoin Photos by John Sherry