

# THE WIND REPORT

Week of January 12, 2015

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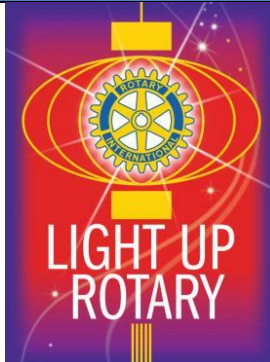
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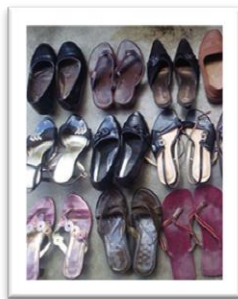
ROTARY DISTRICT  
5160,  
CLUB NO. 30335



## San Ramon Valley Rotary Club, Danville, CA, USA

**Meeting Time:** Wednesdays 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.,  
Blackhawk Country Club, 599 Blackhawk Club Dr., Danville  
[www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com](http://www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com)

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## *Recycling Old Shoes to Change the Environment*

By: Anit Thapaliya, President of the Rotaract Club of  
Pashupati Kathmandu, Nepal

*We collected more than 1,100 pairs of used shoes to be recycled and reused as part of our project "Yes Dear, You Change Before the Climate." It proved that we can teach others to change their behaviors before our climate changes, for the worse.*

*We set out with the help of Working Hands, a local nongovernmental organization, to convince people to give us their old shoes, instead of throwing them away. Shoes take forever to break down in a landfill, and if you burn them, it pollutes the air. We gave people a reason to smile by donating their old shoes and helping the environment.*

*Working Hands trains volunteers in preparing shoes to be used again through washing and refining. The young volunteers learn the creative skills behind the shoe-making process. The project is also a fascinating study in recycling consumer goods. It was a huge success, and encouraged us that we can do something to control pollution.*

*All the shoes were taken to remote villages in the district of Khotang, where they were distributed to poor families. We chartered a local bus and every passenger on the bus served as an ambassador, carrying a recycled pair of shoes to someone who needed them.*

*Yes, we Rotaractors can change before our climate changes.*

## Birthdays This Month:

Neville Guard, 1/1  
Pam Jones, 1/1  
Larry Mace, 1/6  
Valerie Munoz, 1/14  
Barbara Bailey, 1/19  
Debora Killeen, 1/20  
Barbara Kasa, 1/26  
Mark Murphy, 1/31

## Anniversaries This Month:

## Upcoming Greeters:

Larry Blair, 1/7

**TO ALL OUR RED BADGERS!** To get your blue badge, you need to be a greeter at one of our meetings. It is your responsibility to sign up and pick a slot. Any questions, feel free to contact Rita Smith.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM OUR LAST MEETING

At our last meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>, and the first one of the New Year, our greeter was **Larry Blair**, who spoke on the importance of reading your “Rotarian” magazine (there’s some very cool stuff in that thing) and shared a good joke with us. Our Secret Rotarian was **Bob Schumacher**, and we had several guests with us, including: **Vish More**, guest of Neville Guard and member of the Alamo Rotary Club; **Mike Heller**, guest of Laura Montalvo; **Karen Stepper**, Danville Town Councilwoman and Honorary Rotarian; **Panjad Munjal**, third visit; **Randy Hilibrant**, guest of Tom Eager; and our adopted military family, **Katherine and Nathan (Nate) McCall**, who received a donation from our Club to help them along as Nate gets stationed in Cuba.

Our speaker was **Chris Suter**, who shared his volunteer experience with the Civil Air Patrol, a United States Air Force Auxiliary. For more information on their amazing programs, go to <http://www.cawgcap.org>.

**Neville Guard** was the winner of Rotary’s recent photography contest, and he contributed his winnings to the fight against polio. In response to his generosity, more Rotarians stepped up and opened their wallets toward the fight. We really are a very giving club!

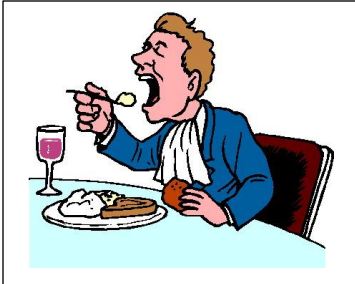
THANK YOU to everyone who participated in collecting and sorting coats for the ONE WARM COAT DRIVE. You guys rock!! Below is a great picture from our last sorting party on January 10<sup>th</sup>.





## COMING UP AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON JANUARY 14TH:

Our Greeter will be a Secret Surprise Rotarian.  
Our Speaker will be Christy Campbell of the Oakland Children's Hospital.



## WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

Wednesday, January 14, 2015

Caesar Salad; Garlic Prawns and Oven Roasted Chicken Breast Forestiere; Chocolate Decadence for dessert.

## MORE COMING ATTRACTIONS AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our ONE WARM COAT DRIVE is now complete – and a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who participated in collecting and sorting coats. We had more clothing items than we knew what to do with, and contributed thousands of coats, sweaters, blankets and other stuff to Christmas For Everyone, St. Vincent de Paul, and other charities. YAY!!!

Saturday, January 17, 2015 – 6:30 p.m. Enjoy the Classics! Blackhawk Country Club. Buy your tickets now through the Club website at [www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com](http://www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com). Prices are \$96.00 per person or \$680.00 for table of eight.

Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, January 25: - VALLEY TEEN IDOL AUDITIONS.

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*In case you missed it*

### Need to Make Up a Missed Meeting?

Go to our club website and check out the list of neighboring clubs you can visit for more fun and fellowship. Just e-mail Valerie Munoz to let her know you made up the meeting and where.

Here's the link to the list of Clubs, dates, times and locations:

<http://www.sanramonvalleyrotary.com/index.cfm?display=sisterclubs&sub=e>

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