

THE WIND REPORT

Week of November 24, 2014

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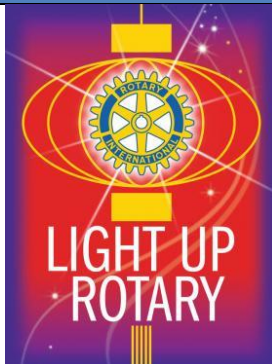
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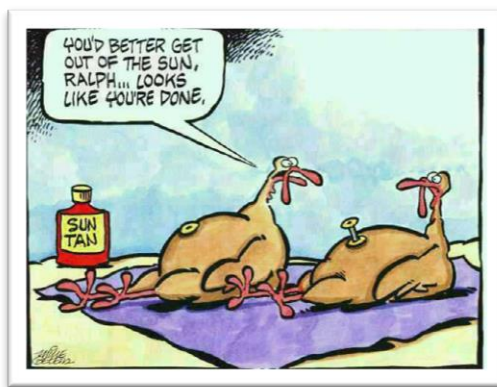
**ROTARY DISTRICT
5160,
CLUB NO. 30335**



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
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**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**

Thanksgiving Day is a holiday celebrated in the United States on the fourth Thursday in November. It became an official Federal holiday in 1863, when, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens," to be celebrated on the last Thursday in November.

The event that Americans commonly call the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated by the Pilgrims after their first harvest in the New World in 1621. This feast lasted three days, and it was attended by 90 Native Americans (as accounted by attendee Edward Winslow) and 53 Pilgrims. The New England colonists were accustomed to regularly celebrating "thanksgivings"—days of prayer thanking God for blessings such as military victory or the end of a drought.

Americans commonly trace the Thanksgiving holiday to a 1621 celebration at the Plymouth Plantation, where the Plymouth settlers held a harvest feast after a successful growing season. Autumn or early winter feasts continued sporadically in later years, first as an impromptu religious observance, and later as a civil tradition.

And as this tradition continues, we give thanks for all the blessings bestowed upon us, especially the love of our family and friends and the wonderful fellowship of our Rotary club. God Bless all of you this week and we will see you again on December 3rd.

Birthdays This Month:

Tim Alman, 12/10
Buntie Sahni, 12/11
Marci Harris, 12/13
Greg Wilson, 12/16
Michelle Lin, 12/16
Vikram Gokli, 12/16
Jessie Castro, 12/22
Laura Montalvo,
12/24
Anita Frazier, 12/30

Anniversaries This Month:

Kathy and Dave
Richardson, 12/23
Barbara and Jack
Bailey, 12/28
Jesse and Svitlana
McGuire, 12/29

Upcoming Greeters:

Bob Schumacher,
12/3
Greg McGuire, 12/10
Santa Claus, 12/18

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

November 19th was our Club Assembly. We voted on an amendment to our By-Laws regarding Club dues, and we were presented with updates on the state of our Club by President Lynn and each of the Directors from the Board. Highlights included:

- We are a **vibrant, inspired and relevant** club!
- We want to increase our membership by 20%. Keep inviting guests!
- We are having a lot of fun!
- We are a very giving Club and are continuing to raise money for the Rotary Foundation and create more Paul Harris Fellows.
- We're doing a great job in Youth Services, with the completion of the Third Grade Dictionary Project, our mentorship of the Berean Christian Interact Club, and the giving of college and Camp Royal/Camp Venture scholarships. We are also participating in the 4-Way Speech Contest and helping out at Golden View Elementary in our Adopt a School Program.
- We will start implementing "Member of the Month" features in the newsletter.
- Keep those Facebook posts coming if you attend a Rotary event.
- In March of 2015, we will be taking a trip to Monterrey, Mexico to help distribute wheelchairs to our sister club there.
- We're paying our bills and staying even on our financial goals.
- Our Club Services Director is scheduling some awesome speakers and creating more fun outings for us to enjoy – like wine tastings and Bocce ball!
- We've got some great fundraisers coming up that need membership help, including One Warm Coat and Valley Teen Idol. Also, our Evening with the Classics in January is sure to be a big hit.

The bottom line is – WE ROCK!



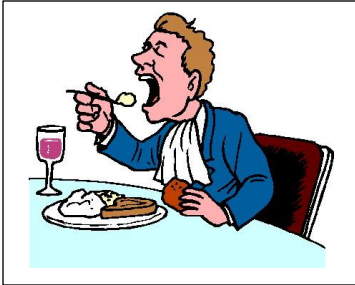


COMING UP AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON DECEMBER 3:

Our Greeter will be Bob Schumacher.

Our Speaker will be our very own Pam Gray, District Governor.

INVITE YOUR GUESTS!



WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

It's a Surprise!

December Menus Are On The Way!

COMING ATTRACTIONS AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

November 10 through January 14, 2015 – ONE WARM COAT DRIVE BEGINS. SEE FLYERS ATTACHED!

Contact Traci Engle at (925) 890-3205 or see her at the meeting for details on how you can volunteer to help by adopting a box and location for the collection of coats.

Monday, November 24, 2014 – 6:30 p.m. San Ramon Valley Rotary Board Meeting, 2010 Crow Canyon Place, San Ramon.

Wednesday, November 26 – DARK – NO MEETING – HAPPY THANKSGIVING WEEK!

NOMINATIONS for the Board of Directors of 2015-2016 are now being accepted, with the final voting in December. See Jessica Braverman for more details.

Friday, December 5, 2014 – 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. – ONE WARM COAT BISHOP RANCH TREE LIGHTING. Holiday entertainment, Santa's Arrival and more will be featured.

Saturday, December 6th – DEADLINE to handwrite a special message on a holiday greeting card for a service person overseas – to be distributed by Blue Star Moms. See Lynn Eager for details.

Monday, December 8, 2014 – Diablo Lodge Game Night.

Wednesday, December 17, 2014 – 7:00 p.m., CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Saturday, January 17, 2015 – Evening with the Classics.

*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>