

THE WIND REPORT

Week of March 2, 2015

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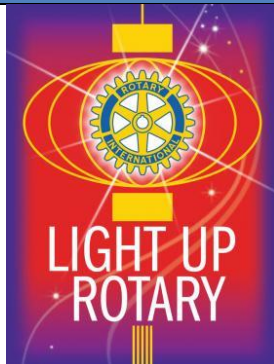
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**ROTARY DISTRICT
5160,
CLUB NO. 30335**



San Ramon Valley Rotary Club, Danville, CA, USA

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The President's Monthly Message – March 2015

By Gary C.K. Huang, President of Rotary International

In Rotary, we have the opportunity to build bonds of friendship with fellow Rotarians around the world. And once a year, at our international convention, we have the chance to get together with all of our Rotary friends, to share new ideas, plan new service, and just have fun.

What better way to celebrate the end of the 2014-15 Rotary year, and Light Up Rotary with your friends, than to travel together to the 106th annual Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, Brazil? Whether you have never been to a convention before or are an experienced convention goer, this will be one you won't want to miss. Preregistration pricing ends on 31 March, so plan now for the biggest Rotary party of the year.

The convention will begin on Saturday, 6 June, and after the opening ceremony there will be a traditional Brazilian Carnival party and a Samba School Parade at the Anhembi Sambadrome. Even if you think you have no rhythm or can't carry a tune, you will find yourself dancing, singing, and laughing all night long. The party and parade will feature the bright colors, feathers, and sequins of Carnival costumes as well as the sights and sounds of samba, the Afro-Brazilian music and dance, and the delicious food and drinks of São Paulo.

On Monday night, Ivete Sangalo, winner of two Latin Grammy Awards, will entertain Rotarians. And every evening of the convention, Rotary Restaurant Nights will let you enjoy discounts in the culinary capital of Latin America. Savor fish from the Amazon, sushi with a Latin flair, Brazilian beef, and other offerings from some of São Paulo's 30,000 restaurants and bars. Admission to several museums in São Paulo, including the excellent soccer museum, will also be free with your convention badge.

Brazil reflects a diversity almost as great as Rotary's: Paulistanos, as the people of São Paulo are known, have created a lively culture with influences from all over the world. One of the highlights of any Rotary convention is always hospitality night, where you can get to know local Rotarians. Monday night is your chance to experience the paulistano lifestyle with the Rotarians of Brazil – but be sure to book early, as numbers are limited.

In Rotary, service and friendship go hand in hand. As you focus on the work of this Rotary year, I ask you not to lose sight of the importance of international friendship, and to register for the São Paulo convention now, at www.riconvention.org.

Birthdays This Month:

Jonathan Watts, 3/8
Sharon Mace, 3/9

Anniversaries This Month:

Upcoming Greeters:

Greg Wilson, 3/4
Laura Montalvo, 3/18

TO ALL OUR RED BADGERS! To advance to wearing a blue badge, you will need to fulfill your service as a Greeter. What better way to get to know your fellow Rotarians! Sign up with Rita Smith at the meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Last week, on February 23rd, our greeter was **Henry Frazier, Jr.**, who did an incredible job on his first time out. Thank you Henry!!

Guests visiting us were: **Tim Alman's lovely wife Karen; and Dan Huber, guest of James Frazier.** A big Rotary welcome to our guests.

Our speaker was our own **Kevin L'Hommedieu**, who gave us a very informative presentation on car care. We were so impressed that we asked Kevin to come back for Session 2! Duly noted, among other things, was Kevin's recommendation that we only use unleaded gasoline in our cars, which will aid in our vehicle's longer life and less stress on our catalytic converters. Who knew? Thank you Kevin for sharing your time with us!

Jessica Braverman gave us an update on Valley Teen Idol. Finals are coming up on March 29th and we need everyone's help in making sure all goes smoothly. If you didn't sign up to help with the event, please see Jessica at our next meeting. The semi-finals were incredible, the talent this year is better than ever and we have already raised more money than we have in the past. The publicity department is working on getting local news coverage and mentions in the Contra Costa Times, and this is going to be the event you will not want to miss.

So again, we announce our amazing Finalists:

ANNOUNCING OUR VALLEY TEEN IDOL FINALISTS!

Maddie Bartolome, 16, Amador Valley HS
Audrey Butler, 16, Monte Vista HS
Georgia Cunningham, 14, Los Cerros MS
Brian Dandridge, 14, Cal HS
Tara Fay, 16, SRVHS
Thannie Graff, 14, Los Cerros MS
Olivia Howe, 15, Granada HS
Vaishnavi Melkote, 14, Dougherty Valley HS
Pearl Melone, 13, Diablo Vista MS
Luca Bella Mesa, 13, Charlotte Wood MS
Talia Stivender, 17, Monte Vista HS
Abbey Watson, 16, Monte Vista HS
Jared Werlein, 14, SRVHS
Rachel Wirtz, 17, Berean Christian HS

BANDS AND GROUPS:

Jessie Keppler, 16, Campolindo HS-Claire Levinson, 14, Acalanes HS-Kirsten Stensland, 17, Acalanes Ind. Study-Dara Feller, 16, Acalanes HS (Quartet-Audacity);
Kyle Wooten, 14, Monte Vista HS-Weston Wittek, 15, Monte Vista HS- Ethan Spain, 14, Monte Vista HS (The Chosen)

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

Want to submit an announcement for our newsletter? Just send Laura Montalvo an e-mail at winechickathome@gmail.com

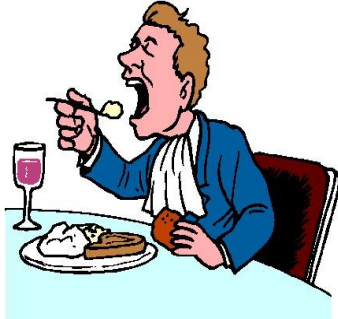


COMING UP AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON MARCH 4, 2015

Our Greeter will be **Greg Wilson**

Our Speaker will be **Bill Randall, President of Alamo Rotary Club**

Feel free to bring guests and make sure to send an e-mail to James Frazier with the name of your guest.



WHAT'S ON THE MENU AT BLACKHAWK COUNTRY CLUB

For Wednesday, March 4, 2015:

Spinach Grape Salad; Grilled Flat Iron Steak (bourbon caramelized onion sauce); Herb Crusted Sea Bass (Dijon mustard sauce); Banana Chocolate Cake with Vanilla Ice Cream for Dessert
(Special Note: Based on our recent requests for menu variety, this may change.)

COMING ATTRACTIONS AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

March 13, 2015: - Rotary Club of Pleasant Hill – St. Patrick's Night of Merriment, Pleasant Hill Community Center, 320 Civic Drive – Food Friendship and Fundraising

March 17, 2015: **HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!!**

March 23, 2015: 6:30 p.m. – Board Meeting – 2010 Crow Canyon Place, San Ramon, CA

March 29, 2015: 2:00 p.m. **VALLEY TEEN IDOL FINALS!!** At the San Ramon Performing Arts Center at Dougherty High School campus. We need sponsors and volunteers – See Jessica Braverman for more details.

March is National Women's History Month.



"LOVE YOURSELF FIRST,
AND EVERYTHING ELSE
FALLS INTO LINE. YOU
REALLY HAVE TO LOVE
YOURSELF TO GET
ANYTHING DONE IN
THIS WORLD."
-LUCILLE BALL

10th
Anniversary

SAN RAMON VALLEY ROTARY

presents



FINAL COMPETITION



Sunday



March 29th 2:00pm

San Ramon Performing Arts Theatre

10550 Albion Road, San Ramon

Tickets - \$25 Students \$35 Adults



Judges

**Derek Henry &
Peter Govorchin**



**Master of Ceremonies
Adam Gold**



Judges

**Stevie Rae Stephens &
Debora Killeen**

Ticket Questions: Valerie Munoz vamunoz@comcast.net or 925-683-6310

Purchase tickets on line for the San Ramon Performing Arts at
www.sanramonperformingarts.com

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