

Paradise Rotary News



Committed to living our lives and conducting our business by the Four Way Test of all we say and think and do.

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



President's Message:

Let's consider the impact of Community Projects. It kinda leads us back to Club Membership in several ways. Some are subtle, some are overt and in your face.

The Rotary Logo is on plaques and signs in a number of diverse places as a result of a Community Project. So, what are the impacts? Above all, reputation of our Club and Rotary in general. We are respected and appreciated. And what does that lead to? Attendance at our Fund Raisers, at which we make money to do more Community Projects. It's a positive feedback loop.

A subtle benefit is Membership. With a Community Service oriented reputation, we are attractive to someone wanting to give back and actually do Community Service. It doesn't hurt that RI is running with the motto "People of Action." In fact, our international

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Upcoming Events

September 8, 2022—TSTOTM (The second Thursday of the Month) - Ron & Jody Jones Home 1651 Lighty Lane, Paradise. No meeting at Parks and Rec.

September 10, 2022—District 5160 Fall Festival

September 23, 2022—2023-2034 AG Retreat

September 25—Youth Protection Program—Background Check Signup

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reputation is that Rotary Gets Things Done! And the Things referred to are Community Service Projects. Of course there are little Things and big Things. You want big? How about Polio Eradication.

Here in Paradise, Community Service Projects are beginning to become available as our Town rebuilds. Future Projects might be hands on or simply contributing money to a group to complete a small but worthwhile pet project. A recent example is our contribution to the Francis Scott Key mural on the side of the Veterans Memorial Hall.

What's the point? It is straightforward. When a Community Service Project is announced, get involved. Involvement might be actual participation or merely contributing ideas on how it can be accomplished.

2nd ANNUAL WELLNESS FAIR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD
10:00 AM-2:00 PM
BILLE PARK

501 Bille Rd, Paradise, CA



Feather River
Health Foundation



Announcements

Hi All,

I have set up lunches for the month of September. We are getting lunch from E&Js on September 29th. She said the best way to do this is to have people order ahead of time and then call in their orders. So, I will be collecting orders from people who plan to be at our meeting on 9/29.

Lunch on 9/29 needs to be pre-ordered.

9/1/22 - Mt. Mikes (Being delivered, already paid for)

9/8/22 - No Lunch, Evening Social

9/15/22 - Sophia's (Erika will pick up, still needs to be paid for)

9/22/22 - Nic's (Erika will pick up, Still needs to be paid for)

9/29/22 - E&Js Mobile Kitchen (Still needs to be paid for, I will check for delivery)

Let me know if you have any questions.

Erika Etchison

Program

A few, maybe three or four times in the average person's life, you have the privilege of meeting a truly extraordinary person—a person who effects those around them like Jesus or Mahatma Gandhi or Martin Luther King or Carrie Nation or Sojourner Truth.

Last week at the Paradise Rotary Club meeting we had the privilege of meeting such a person.

Instead of whining about the touch breaks life dished her in her early life, she set out to become someone of value and integrity and to dedicate her life to helping others from touch situations make something of theirs.

I don't know how old she is—everyone seems like a youngster when you get to be as old as I am—but she has accomplished as much or more to benefit the people in our community than most people do in their whole lives.

We are blessed to have Jess Mercer as a part of our community and were all inspired by her presentation to our club.

If you ever get a chance, take this amazing lady to coffee and hear her story and her vision for making a difference. You'll be glad you did!



Worth Thinking About

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

by Max Ehrmann ©1927



By Marcos Farto, president of the Rotary Club of Marília Coroados, Brazil

As a member of Rotary for 11 years, I've seen how members put Service Above Self. Never has this been more evident than during the COVID-19 pandemic, when we all became aware of how vulnerable life can be and how much we depend on each other.

Many have stepped forward. And out of that need to help, a beautiful story of collaboration and partnership emerged.

In 2021, our then club president established a partnership with the Lions Club of Nova Geração. In August, we packed approximately 100 meals to help three charities that no longer had food in their pantries and were depending exclusively on donations. APAE (an association for people with disabilities) in Marília, a city in the state of São Paulo, offered us their kitchen. It was wonderful to see everyone united, focused, and committed to preparing meals.

In February 2022, the Rotary Club of Marília-Pioneiro joined us on our next service project. In Marília, a public school was dedicated but it had no trees. Hundreds of children attended, but not a single tree had been planted. After consulting with the school principal and the environment secretariat, we obtained and planted 400 tree seedlings.

These efforts demonstrated something very important: regardless of the organization you belong to, being surrounded by good people with a shared purpose is very motivating. We — the members of Rotary and Lions clubs — worked together to address hunger and help the environment. We share common goals, so through our partnership, we can leave the world a better place and set a good example for others.

We are people of action — that is our mission.

Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, and Optimist are hosting a joint service week, 11-17 September. Clubs are encouraged to work together on a meaningful service project that will have a positive, long-term impact on their community

Rotary – did you know?

Rotary International has themed each month and August is Membership and New Club Development month.

While you're thinking about membership, take the quick and useful courses in Rotary's Learning Center that will give you lots of practical ideas for your club's membership initiatives. These courses include:

- Is Your Club Healthy?
- Creating an Inclusive Club Culture
- Best Practices for Engaging Members

Review the Membership course catalog to find other courses that address all your membership needs.

Courses are available log into MyRotary at www.myrotary.org and select Learning & Reference. Any Rotarian can also start a new Rotary Club! Information on starting a new club is also found on MyRotary in the Learning and Reference section.

If you have questions, write to learn@rotary.org.

Sincerely,

Rotary's Learning and Development staff

TSTOTM (The second Thursday of the Month)

September 8, 2022 after work

Ron & Jody Jones Home

1651 Lighty Lane, Paradise



Bring your family, friends and prospective members to meet Rotary inbound Youth Exchange student Chiara. She is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Chico. Chiara hails from a small village of 300 in the Alsace

region in the North East of France where she is the oldest of three children, her father is a butcher and her mother is a teacher. Chiara has already joined the volleyball team at Chico High, where she is a senior, loves to dance and is an avid reader.

Chiara is blogging on YouTube and is chronicling her year here as an exchange student.

Check next week's newsletter for the address of her Blog

Hello Past Tour Members,

Howard Tours and the Wheelchair Foundation are returning to Monterrey, Mexico in October.

The trip is organized by Rotary District 5170, however it looks like we will have some additional seats if you or any of your club members would like to join us.

Please let us know if you are interested. Details are on our website at: <http://www.howardtours.net/2022-monterrey-mexico.html>

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"We look forward to traveling with you"

The Durham Rotary Club Proudly Presents...
43rd Annual

Durham Harvest Festival

Sunday, September 18, 2022

In the beautiful tree-covered grassy Durham Community Park, Durham-Dayton Highway

Car Show & Shine, Arts and Craft Fair

and
**Pancake Breakfast, BBQ, Live Music, Antique Farm Equipment Show, Lots
of Kids Activities**

Members of the Durham Rotary Club are very excited that the 2021 Durham Harvest Festival will be bigger and better than ever. Funds raised from the event go back into the Durham Community for scholarships and local projects.

We anticipate that Festival highlights will be similar to last year. From 7 to 11 a.m. the popular pancake breakfast will be cooked and served by Rotary members. Then at 11 a.m. lunch starts with hot dogs, tri tip sandwich, and beverages.

At 9 a.m. the Arts and Crafts Fair will begin, with artisans selling their wares until 4 p.m. We expect around 40 participants this year with many talented artisans returning year after year. Arts and Craft Fair application.

The unique Car Show & Shine is a feast for the eyes with its display of antique cars, trucks, custom cars and muscle cars. Because of space limitations, the car show will be limited to 200 cars. The car show begins at 9 a.m. For participants, the tree covered Park is great for for settling in with your friends in a group setting. The Festival is a great family event with activities for all ages.

The restored tractors and engines are a very popular part of the day's events. As in the past, the engines will be restored and operating.

Other feature this year will include **MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT** by Chico Community Concert Band.

Durham Rotary invites any Durham Organizations who would like to participate in the festival to contact them. If you have a possible activity to raise funds for your group, Rotary would like to hear from you to discuss how you can participate. Contact Larry Bradley at (530) 864-0795 or email lbsalmonds@gmail.com.

**Our 42nd Durham Harvest Festival event was concluded on
September 19th, 2021 with great successes.**

We had 28 craft booths.

Welcomed 150+ exhibitors at the car show.

Entertained 2,500+ festival goers.

**Raised \$25,000+ to support our schools and Durham
community.**

**Best of all, there were no reported COVID-19 cases due to the
vigilance of all the participants.**

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