

# MORGAN HILL ROTARY ROTARIAN

2004 Club Newsletter

Week of March 03, 2004



## Looking Ahead:

### Up-coming key dates:

- March 6<sup>th</sup> is workday at the Buddhist Temple. (8 AM) Call Judy Pyle for info.
- A very fun District Conference is shaping up for 4/16-18 at the San Jose Doubletree, put it on your calendar!
  - Ron Owens from KGO will be there on Friday
- Bob Moulthrop needs help for the May 12 White Elephant auction, people to help line up auction items, do cooking and cleanup, etc. This fun event gets donations of no longer wanted items from Club members and auctions them off to highest bidder. Some items are true bargains, others are simply truly atrocious! Event is for members and spouses/significant others and the proceeds all go to our endowment fund for donation to the local and world community by John's Board next year.
- Centennial Project choices have been placed at your tables for rating/ selection, contact Del Foster for more info.
  - Project to be completed by Feb. 2005
  - Wants Rotary visibility
  - Your ideas welcomed
- The Chamber of Commerce Expo has been changed to 6/2/04 from the 5/12/04 dates, please note!

## How you can help!

- Bring a guest to the Rotary meeting. Two free guest lunches per year per Rotarian!
- Bob Fischer needs stories, I know you all can tell about how Rotary affected you, give Bob a call!
- Save your White Elephant Items for the Auction on May 12th, Call Bob Moulthrop for info.
  - Any valuables that you don't want we need
  - Please give to Julie Spier and or Gino B.
  - This function will be in lieu of our regular Wednesday meeting!
- Help out at this Saturday at the Buddhist Temple.

**Editors Note:**

I am looking for one or two more reporters. The job is not difficult, it entails taking notes on one aspect of the Rotary meeting. For example; Announcements, or Fines, or Greeter, Guests, Flag Salute and Thought for the Day, or Program Highlight. Then take as much inspiring notes as possible and email them to me within a couple of days at the most. (Preferably within a day).

Many hands make wonderful deeds.

If interested, please email or sign up at our meetings.

Gino Borgioli

**President Steve says  
“all members need  
to be engaged, active  
and happy..”**

**“Serve with a Smile”**

Rotary International  
President Jonathan  
Majiyagbe’s Theme is



**Sheriff Jim Jeisel fines and makes Rotarians kiss and make up!!**

All fines are \$10.00 unless noted differently!

- Elise A.—for missing the International Dinner
- Bob Fisher.—for not having advanced notice on being Sheriff 20.00
- Sunday M.—for having little notice on being Sheriff and for making up with Bob F.

**Announcements:**

- SAVE THIS DATE!
- Bob Moulthrop announced the White Elephant auction 5/12 in the evening at the Jackson Oaks Club House for Rotarians and spouses/significant others. We'll be dark that day, allowing everyone to attend the Chamber business expo at lunch time! Bob needs help organizing the event, so give him a call and start thinking about what "treasures" you can bear to part with.
- Bob Fischer needs the story I know you all can tell about how Rotary affected you, give Bob a call! PLEASE!!!!
- Leadership Morgan Hill will honor the Guglielmo brothers at a tribute dinner on August 14th at the Community Center. Guglielmos have been very supportive of all Rotary events through many years. If you'd like to volunteer to help on the event, please attend an organizing meeting on Tues, 3/2 at 5:30 at the Community Center.
- Thanks to those who hosted and attended the International (potluck) dinner, everyone had a lot of food and fun and more of these events are planned. Understand there may soon be some pictures on our Website!
- **May 12th is “DARK”!!!!!!!!!!!!**

## Last Weeks Programs

### PROGRAM:

Our own 'Laura Perry' presents her fantastic voyage to the Andes Mountains!

Laura is an attorney in Family Practice. Laura is on the Board at Gavilan College and thanked the community for supporting the Measure E Bond.

Laura's venture started in Argentina and Chili and climbed one of the tallest mountain similar in size to the Himalayan's. A great deal of the lower valley is dry riverbeds which are subject to flash flooding. The peaks of the mountains have snow year round. Laura's base camp was at 14000 feet where it can snow quite heavily. From this point until the top of the mountain, something called 'penetanties' can form by indirect sunlight, sort of like ice spires and grow from 3 to 20 feet high. Laura's group consisted of a doctor, avalanche specialist and a summit specialist. It can take 12 hrs. to climb 1200 ft. Laura's back pack was approx. 50 lbs. and her other crew members were slightly higher in weight.

Laura spent many days inside here tent because of extreme cold and especially wind. On very narrow ridges, a climber can be blown off the rodge by the wind. A more experienced crew member would first climb to a certain point then the other crew members would follow on a fixed line. At 21500 ft. is where the wind really started very strong and in Laura's words sounds like a freight train. Because of this strong wind and snow, Laura's crew built a rock wall around all the tents to keep the tent's from blowing away. Every several hours a crew member had to go out and knock off the snow off the tents to prevent cave in's. While Laura was there, two had died (in another group) of Pulmonary edema. As Laura would descend, here crew had to time it just right to prevent or avoid an avalanche. The snow was up to Laura's waste and it took as long as 13 hrs. to descend some days.

Laura indicated that she has access to the best equipment while her counter parts across the world do not have that luxury, thus they can get Frost Bight and die.

Even though Laura had the best equipment, it was very difficult to reach the summit. This years trip she made it to 21600, one hundred feet higher than last year. While climbing, rocks can fall at 60 miles an hour, thus she has to be alert and very careful.

Laura explained how she and her crew approach climbing, which is:

- Acclimate to the environment
- Carry gear first, then go back down to sleep
- Then back up with more equipment
- Stay at the new altitude
- Repeat the above

Obviously the above could not contain everything that Laura discussed but I sure came away with a much more appreciation of mountain climbers and a much higher respect for Laura for even attempting such a feat. Way to go girl!

## News and Views

### **The Lunch Program**

At our January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, a new program was announced that will allow you to bring a couple of guests to lunch during the year without charging you for their lunch. So there is such a thing as a free lunch!

This program is meant to encourage you to expose friends and acquaintances to the Morgan Hill Rotary Club. By exposing them to our Club, we hope to generate interest that could lead to their joining our Club as members. It is not being billed as a "potential member" program because there should not be any pressure put on them or felt by you that we are pressing for new members. If they come and enjoy the experience and express interest, we would like you to follow through – either by volunteering to sponsor them yourself or by referring their interest to the Membership Committee to pursue.

The program is to expose people to Morgan Hill Rotary who are unfamiliar with it, so bringing family members, visiting or past Rotarians, or others that you already know are not able to even consider membership at this time is inappropriate. Please make sure you use this program in the intended spirit.

You are also encouraged to bring people who are supportive of Morgan Hill Rotary to lunch as "guests of the Club". You do not have to use the lunch program to reward supporters who deserve our recognition and acknowledgement. You are asked to secure the Club president's approval for "guests of the Club" that you would like to host.

One last note on the lunch program, we want all of you to use the program over the next several months. There will be some that will exhaust "a couple" of lunches and still have people they would like to bring, and that will be supported, just clear it with the Club president. Thanks for your support!

**Eric Hilding presented a Rotary Flag from Saint Croix, Virgin Island to President Steve.**

### **Looking Ahead # 2**

#### **Mark Your Calendar**

Mar. 6 – Work Day: Buddhist Temple Beautification. This is our Thank You to the Buddhist group for using their facilities. Please help this Saturday. There are two objectives, to build a fence and shrubbery trimming.

April 21 – District Conference, San Jose Doubletree

May 12 – White Elephant Auction– Clean out the attic

May 22 – Family picnic with Gilroy, Hollister & San Juan Bautista Rotaries

May 26 – Work Day: Morgan Hill Beautification

### **Tid Bit from or about Rotarians**

**This month's birthdays and anniversaries were: Chris N., Kathy H., Julie S., Lisa D., Scott S., Ben F., Jim J., Doug D.**

- **Note: To get a Tid Bit about your favorite Rotarian in this newsletter, Email to the following: [James.Borgioli@E-HPS.COM](mailto:James.Borgioli@E-HPS.COM) (In Confidence of Course)**

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**Comments from our President:**

- Challenging Invitation, May 22nd at 3PM, a picnic hosted by the Gilroy Club.
- May 22nd, Relay for Life
- Thank you to Custom Creations for the great job on our group picture! All proceeds from the sale of the pictures goes to Polio Plus!
- We received our COG Grant funds of \$1283 to support Hometown Holidays.

**Coming Up in February**

Area Speech Contest

**Student of the Month**

Sean Phillips Family from Carden Academy spoke at this month's 'Student of the Month'

Sean was introduced by the principal of Carden Academy.

Sean has won numerous awards and spoke quite eloquently about his school, parents and his future.

**Topics for January meetings :**

Mar. 6 – Work Day: Buddhist Temple Beautification

March 10 - Area 6 Speech Contest - Finalists from Morgan Hill, Gilroy, Hollister and San Juan Bautista

March 17  
Metcalf Plant: Air Pollution Potential, Part 2  
Michael Argentine, Calpine Corporation

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**Guests of Rotarians:**

Kathryn Nation (Gino Borgioli)

**Visiting Rotarians:**

Steve Kinsella (Gilroy)

Cris Johnson (SJ East)

Charlene Tsao (Milpitas)

Marv Thomas (Gilroy)

**Thought of the day:**

Carl R.

**Flag Salute:**

John T.

**Greeter:**

Gino B.