



Morgan Hill Rotary gives dictionaries to all 3rd graders in public and private schools in MH area

By Sherry Hemingway

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Rotary Club of Morgan Hill has launched a 5-year project that each year will give hardcover dictionaries to all 3rd graders in public and private schools in the Morgan Hill area.

Beginning this week, members of the club are personally delivering 900 dictionaries to students in 10 public and private schools within the boundaries of the Morgan Hill Unified School District.



Dictionaries become the personal property of each student and can be used at home or school.

"For some students, this may be the first book they have ever owned," said Arlene Greenberg, the Rotary member who originally proposed the project. "This colorfully illustrated dictionary also contains basics such as U.S. presidents, state capitals, flags of countries and a map of the solar system."



"In general, third grade is the start of word mechanics and also when children start taking ownership of their possession," said Wes Smith, superintendent of the Morgan Hill Unified School District.



Each book comes with a book plate where the student can enter his or her name. It also lists Rotary International's checklist for ethical behavior, known as the Four-Way Test: "Of the things we

think, say, or do...Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

"Thinking about the impact of personal behavior may be somewhat advanced for an 8-year-old, but hopefully this dictionary will stay with them throughout their education," said Greenberg. Project organizers were Rotary's Director of Community Service Linda Sanborn, project coordinators Samia Reichel and Janene Towner.





Student Awards

By Mike Withrow



1. Paradise Valley Elementary School

Student: Hannah Fuegmann
Parents: Tom and Angelique Fuegmann
Principal: Phil Duncan
Teacher: Johanna Miller

2. El Toro Elementary School

Student: Bhavini B. Kadiwala
Parents: Bipin and Kirtika Kadiwala
Principal: Patrick Buchser
Teacher: Nathan Winchell

3. Charter School of Morgan Hill

Student: Tia Weiss
Parents: Mark and Lily Weiss
Principal: Paige Cisewski
Teacher: Kim Sorenson

4. Los Paseos Elementary School

Student: Kirsten Emily Schurk
Parents: Todd and Janet Schurk
Principal: Rex Coffman
Teacher: Steve Bakowsky

5. Jackson Elementary School

Student: Kaden Kim
Parents: John L. and Okkum Kim
Principal: Elvia Teixeira
Teacher : Brenda Brazil

Every Year the Morgan Hill Rotary, in conjunction with our local school's Principals and Teachers, presents the Student Recognition Award to outstanding sixth-graders in our local schools.

Each student receives a certificate and a US Savings Bond.



Eliminate Polio Now

By Mike Davenport

On 13th of this month, India celebrated the achievement of No Polio status between 13th Jan 2011 till 13th Jan 2012. A year of no Polio in India.

Many will not know the magnitude of work that had gone in to help India to get rid of Polio.

If you have ever had a doubt about the reach and efficacy of our Rotary activities consider these facts And share them with everyone you know!



National Immunization day was on Jan 6, 2011.

Number of Children Immunised	174 Million in a day
Number of Immunisation Booths in India	709,000
Polio Doses Mobilised during NID	225 Million Doses
No. of Houses visited the following Day	209 Million Houses
Volunteers Mobilised to man the Booths	2.5. Million
Number of Rotarians in India	109,000
Number of Rotary Districts in India	31
Number of Immunisation Booths in Salem	159
No. of Children Immunised in Salem Corp	167,397 at each NID
Amount Spent by Government. of India	US \$2,670,000,000 approx
Amount spent by Rotary International	US \$142,000,000 approx.

A reduction of Polio occurrence in India from 150,000 cases in the year 1985 to **ZERO** in 27 years.

"By the time the world is certified polio-free, Rotary's contributions to the global polio eradication effort will exceed \$1.2 billion. This constitutes nearly 14 percent of all contributions to the global budget through 2010 and represents approximately 66 percent of private sector contributions to the initiative. More recently, Rotary is working with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to help raise much needed funds to eradicate polio."

From Rotary International Website: http://www.rotary.org/en/ServiceAndFellowship/Polio/Announcements/Pages/10jan29_annnc_polio_contributions.aspx



Blues Party Rocks the House

*By Mike Withrow
Pictures by Lou Mervis*

If you weren't there you missed a rolickin' good time. More than 80 people showed up at Rosy's At The Beach to eat, drink and be merry and just plain enjoy each others company.



The karioke machine went non-stop all night long at Rotarians took their turn at belting



out their favorite tunes.

Of course the food was great. As always Rich and Rosie served up a

great deal of their delicious dishes. I especially liked the oysters.

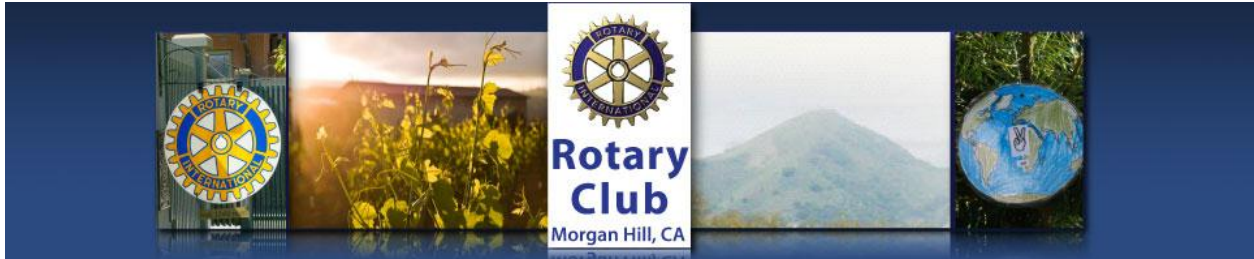
So, don't miss it next year. It's always the first part of the new year.





Our Website Rocks!

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?cid=6773>



Facebook, how to join

By Mike Withrow



Did you know that our club has a Facebook account? You betcha we do. And 55 club members have "Liked" it. You should too.

Keep up to date on our members activities.

Here's a quick way to get there;
<http://www.facebook.com/groups/8623654340/>



Upcoming Events

For an up-to-the-minute look at all our upcoming events, visit the Morgan Hill Rotary web site at <http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx> and click on the "Calendar" link.



You can see the complete list of speakers at any time on our web site if you [click here](#). We also have their bios and lots of great information about them.

Speaker Schedule

February 1, 2012
Julie & Scott Jackson
Great Giants Stories

February 8, 2012
Member Spotlights

February 15, 2012
Danny Wan
Rotary Club Speech Contest

February 22, 2012
To Be Announced

February 29, 2012
Jamie Baker
Inside Scoop on the SJ
Sharks

March 7, 2012
Danny Wan
Rotary Area Speech Contest

March 14, 2012
David Conragan
Outstanding Student
Achievment Awards

March 21, 2012
Erik Dahl
Counter-terrorism and
Homeland Security

Upcoming Events

March 17 9am – 3pm – Senior
Appreciation Day (Harvey
Barrett Lunch)

April 28 – 8am – 2pm –
Rotarians at work day.

June 9 – 10am – 2pm –
Bicycle Rodeo and Safety
Awareness Day

For up to date information
about all our events visit our
calendar.



Membership Anniversaries



Carr, Carol	9 years	Jan 29
Carson, Stu	7 years	Jan 05
Greenberg, Arlene	22 years	Jan 01
Jackson, Brian	2 years	Jan 20
Kennedy, Dennis	9 years	Jan 15
Kiernan, Theresa	5 years	Jan 20
Lister, David	9 years	Jan 15
Malech, Roger	27 years	Jan 01
Nelson, Teri	9 years	Jan 29
Starkovich, Jackie	2 years	Jan 06

Birthdays



Barke, Bernie	Jan 20
Cox, Mike	Jan 11
Haaser, Barry	Jan 25
Knopf, Roger	Jan 24
McGinty, Kevin	Jan 06
Minton, Marc	Jan 14
Smith, Wes	Jan 19
Tate, Steve	Jan 03
Thompson, Janet	Jan 22
Winzeler, Gary	Jan 17



We Care

Please remember to let Lisa and Rosy know any "We Care" news that you are aware of: illnesses, deaths, births, marriages, etc. – any causes for assistance or celebration among our membership. Thanks!



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