

THE PIPELINE

Los Banos Rotary Club
February/March 2010
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Chartered on June 11, 1940

Meets Tuesdays, Noon at España’s Restaurant, 1460 E. Pacheco Blvd., Los Banos, CA

Serving Our Community and the World for Over 60 Years!

Rotary Theme for 2009-2010 — “The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands”

President, Rotary International —

John Kenny, Grangemuth, Scotland

Governor, District 5220 — Susan Drake, Stockton Rotary Club

The Prez Sez

My Dear family of Rotarians,

Rotarians around the world are celebrating the 105th anniversary of the first Rotary club meeting on February 23.

On this day in 1905, Paul Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Hiram Shorey, and Silvester Schiele met to talk about their personal and professional experiences. Harris then unfolded his general plan for a club. Out of this simple beginning sprang the world's first international service organization, which has now grown to include more than 1.2 million members in over 33,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

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As you all know, our club's largest fundraiser, the annual Crab Feed is March 26 at the fair-

grounds. I know all of you are hard a work selling tickets and gathering raffle prizes. Please contact Adriel Soares (704-2555) if you need additional tickets. Marg Benton and Dennis Fauchier have volunteered to coordinate the raffle prizes.

We're also asking for one or two bottles of wine for a wine cooler to give away as a raffle prize.

And thanks to Mark Jones and Lowe's for their raffle prize and discount offer on our tickets.



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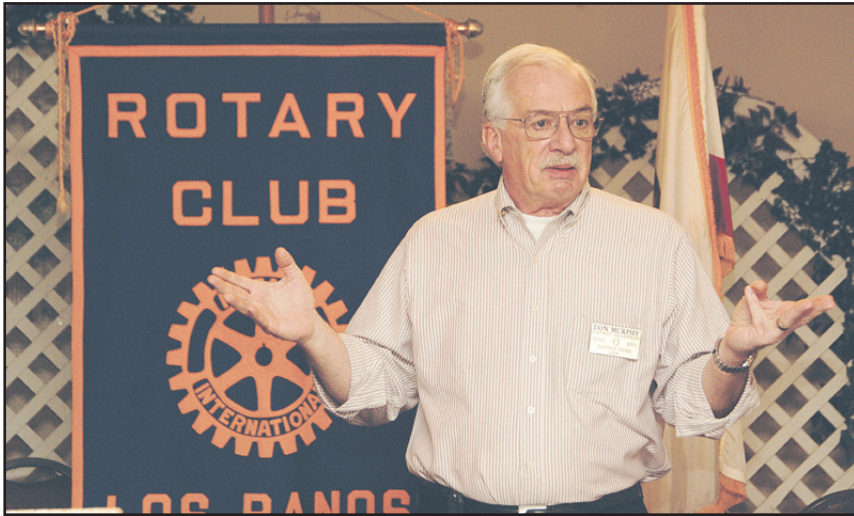
And don't forget about the Rotary 5220 District Conference being held this year April 30 through May 2 in South Lake Tahoe. Our very own Tom Kaljian has the offered the use of his home for Los Banos Rotarians and spouses who wish to stay there. Please let me know asap if you plan to stay at Tom's house. Space is limited so it's on a first-come-first-serve bases. And be sure to go to www.Rotary5220.org for more information and to register for the conference.

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We will be having a March board meeting on Wed., March 10 at 5 p.m. at the Enterprise office.

**Yours in Rotary with Pride,
President Gene Lieb**

A look back at a few Los Banos Rotary programs



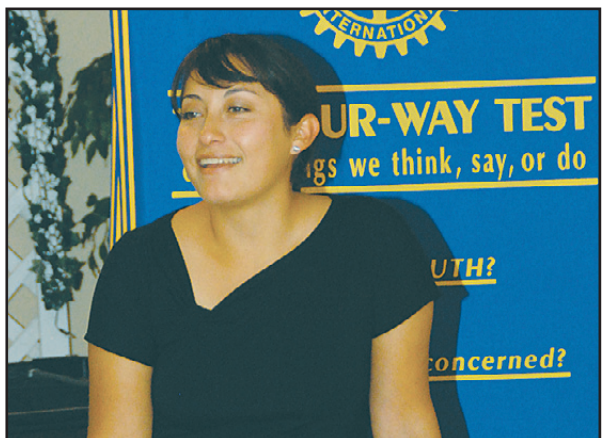
District Governor Elect Don Murray visited the Los Banos Rotary Club. He invited each and everyone of us to the many Rotary events which will be held this year. He gave us a very interesting talk on the history of Rotary and the life of Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary.



Tom and Sue Kaljian shared with us their photos and experiences during their vacation to South Vietnam and Cambodia.

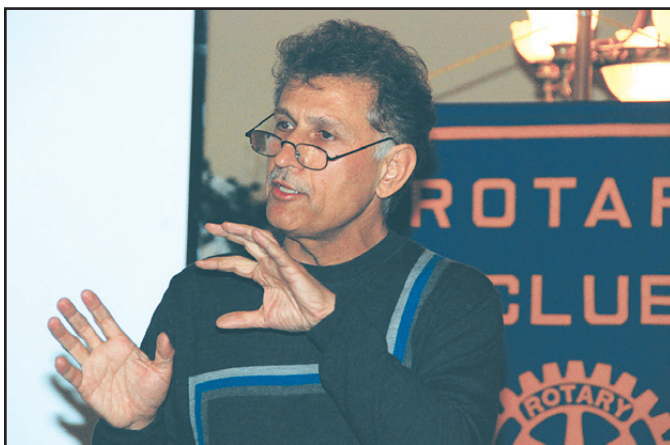


Pat Atkins is an area administrator for elementary education in Los Banos. His talk however, wasn't about education or even related to his position or job. Pat talked about Dr. Shant Kenderian, author of 1001 Nights in Iraq: The Shocking Story of an American Forced to Fight for Saddam against the Country He Loves [America]. Pat was a Marine MP stationed in Pittsburgh when Desert Storm was initiated. He was sent to Kuwait to build a prison camp



Our program was Assistant District Governor Bill Nunes, top photo, from Gustine Rotary and his guest Silvana Bastidas from Ecuador, above.

Our program speaker was Yaya Ayubzai, professor of history and political science at Merced college. He spoke about the Iraq war and his perspective.



Interact Club fashion show raises \$4k for hospital

By Samantha Salas
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The Los Baños High School Interact Club held an event, the first of its kind for the club, on campus over the weekend. "A Night in Paris" was a fashion show, hosted by the Interact Club members, and supported Children's Hospital Central California in Madera.

There were two events held, Friday and Saturday nights, that community could attend to view fashions from local businesses worn by Interact Club students, while profiting the hospital.

Alysha Izoco, one of the coordinators, said she was happy with the weekend's events. For a first-time event, she said everything turned out well.

"We had a really good turn out both nights," Izoco said. "We got a good response and everyone was really supportive."

Jane DeMoss, also a coordinator, said the club was able to raise close to \$4,000 to donate to the hospital.

Izoco said club members are hoping to bring the check to the hospital as soon as possible. She said donating in honor of Dos Palos' late Lia Brady, who passed away in December at 6-years-old after a two and a half year battle with cancer, has been such a fulfilling part of planning.

"I think her family was really grateful to us for honoring her this way," Izoco said.

Jeannie Knapp, assistant principal at the high school and one of the advisers for the Interact Club, said she was impressed with both the turnout and success of the events.

"Both evenings had its own atmosphere, but both were very successful," Knapp said. "The students should definitely be credited for having the vision and making it successful."

Knapp said club members brought the idea to her and other advisors.

Coordinators Izoco and DeMoss, seniors at the high school, spearheaded the event but were backed by the whole team of club members, Knapp said.

"I know it's the goal of the students that put it on



Above, Matt McColloch, left, and Mariah Gallegos, seniors at Los Banos High School and members of the Interact Club, participate in the club's fashion show, "A Night in Paris."

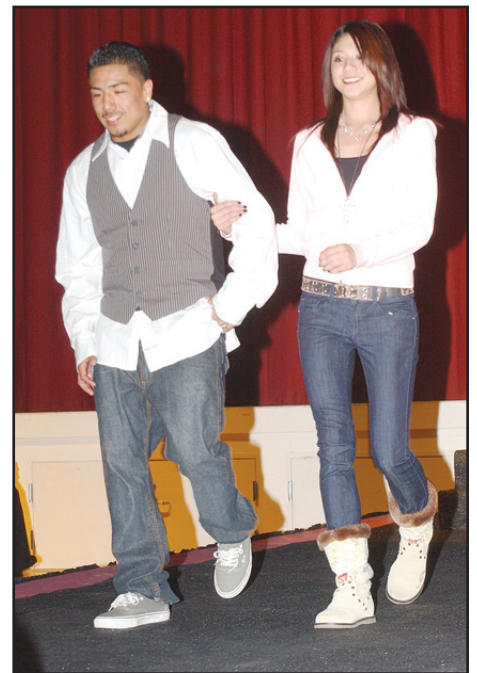
this year for it to continue next year," Knapp said. "It's certainly something the Interact students should pursue if they can."

Izoco said her and DeMoss put together a binder of things future club members should and shouldn't do, what they wish they did and how to make the event better in the coming years.

"It'll definitely expand and hopefully become bigger," Izoco said.

Interact Club is the high school version of Los Baños' Rotary Club, Knapp said, and is a service based organization with community service dealt locally and globally. It's based on community involvement, she said.

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February/March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Mark Jones, Anniversary — February 7
John Spevak, Anniversary — February 24
Brenda Latham, Birthday — February 25

Charlene Sloan, Birthday — February 27
Mark Jones, Birthday — March 1
Tom Kaljian, Birthday — March 5

Mary Coakley, Birthday — March 5
Dennis Fauchier, Birthday — March 17

THE LIGHTER SIDE —

More English lessons to be pondered.

If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth?
One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese?

If teachers taught, why don't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats
vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

And finally, If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but
one of them, what do you call it?

Membership Roster

Benton, Marg
Brandt, Andrea +*
Brandt, Ron
Coakley, Mary
Cox, Joe@+*
Dahlgren, Rick*+
Fauchier, Dennis
Gerbi, Richard
Guest, Charles
Hempel, Elmer
Hiatt, George *
Hoyt, Gerald*
Jimenez, Manuel
Jordan, Scott*+
Kaljian, Tom*
Larson, Mike*
Lieb, Gene++
Mastrangelo, Paula
Menefee, Colleen+
Menefee, Jerry
Moreno, Toni
Palocsay, Sondra
Peraiah, Dr. Pete*+
Ribeiro, Kim
Roque, Ernie
Sandhagen, Kent
Silva, Nancy*
Sloan, Charlene+
Spares, Adriel
Sousa, Joe
Spevak, John*
Tietjen, Steve
Villalta, Mike*+
Vogt, Bruce
Whitehurst, Tony*+

* Paul Harris Fellow
+ Past President
@ Past Dist. Gov.

Leadership Committee

Club Officers 2009-2010

President: Gene Lieb

President Elect: Adriel Soares

Secretary: Michael (Mike) Villalta

Treasurer: Mike Larson

Past President: Chris Gallagher/Gene Lieb

Sergeant of Arms: Charles Guest

Club Bulletin: Sondra Palocsay/Adriel Soares

Directors:

Andrea Brandt

Mary Coakley

Dennis Fauchier

Richard (Dick) Gerbi

George Hiatt

Dr. Pete Peraiah

Tony Whitehurst

Functional Committees:

— Club Service —

Program/Literacy: Colleen Menefee

Membership: Richard Gerbi/
Bruce Vogt/Gerald Hoyt.

Public Relations: John Spevak/
Sondra Palocsay.

Scholarships: Richard Gerbi

Boy Scout Troop 85: Dennis Fauchier

— Community Service —

Community Development: Rick Dahlgren

— Vocational Service —

RYLA (Camp Royal): Steve Tietjen

Interact: Brenda Latham/Adriel Soares

Youth: Adriel Soares

Speech Contest: Brenda Latham

— International Service —

Rotary Foundation:

Tom Kaljian/George Hyatt.

Polio Plus: Tony Whitehurst/
Peraiah Sudangunta

World Community Service:

Manuel Jimenez/Peraiah Sudangunta.

Paul Harris Committee:

Gerald Hoyt/George Hyatt/
Tony Whitehurst