

NORTH FRESNO ROTARY



BULLETIN FOR MEETING OF 10/31/13



Rotary Club of North Fresno
District 5230

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84 Members

Upcoming Events:

November 19th: Membership Event at Bella Vino Cellar in the Fig.

Next Weeks:

November 7th: Mark Arax; Author, "The poverty We Pretend Not to See".

November 14th: In celebration of Veteran's Day, Paul Gibson's father, who is a WWII Veteran, will tell stories of his service to our country.

November 21st: COG's will present Judge Kimberly Gaab of Juvenile Court.

November 28th: We are **DARK!**

For those responsible for the programs; Please review the above programs for accuracy and correctness of topics and presenters.

PROGRAM THIS WEEK -- Mark Arax is an award-winning journalist and author who has adopted Fresno as his home. His books on California have been compared with those of William Saroyan and Joan Didion. We are honored to welcome him this noon.

NEXT WEEK -- In observance of Veterans Day, Paul Gibson's father will describe some of his World War II experiences.

LET'S ALL JOIN IN -- Never one to miss an opportunity for a party, Chip Putnam invites everyone to a Fantastic Fun Fall Mixer from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on November 19 at the Bella Vino Cellar, 5148 North Palm. Bring prospective new members, urges Chip.

Light travels faster than sound, says Pat Bradley. That is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak

KEEP IT UP! -- Secretary Dave Reuland reports club attendance the last two months has been 91% and 87%, respectively. David urges members to continue to report make-ups -- good two weeks before and two weeks following missed attendance at North Fresno. Tell David of your travels.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE -- Phillip Gurule leaves for Guatemala November 8th in company with Hanford Rotarians. He will award four high school scholarships to impoverished students. Club members who would like to contribute to the scholarship program should contact Phillip immediately.

INVOLVE OTHERS -- President Deborah reminds members to involve other people in their worthwhile projects. "The more club members and community volunteers you can get to help you, the more you expose them to the great work of Rotary worldwide," says President Deborah. "As you already know, their help can change their life."

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit, says Sherian Eckenrod. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

JOB FAIR -- Marsha Wagner will be meeting with Jason Weber soon at Fresno High School to plan a Job Fair. Marsha asks members to be ready to participate.

CHECKMATE -- Jeff Harpain asks North Fresno Rotarians to play chess with the Lowell Elementary School Chess Club. About 50 club members play in the school library at 171 North Poplar Avenue from 12:20 to 12:50 p.m. every week day. Rotarian chess players don't need to sign up in advance. Just go to the school office before 12:20 and sign in as a visitor. And prepare to be beaten handily, says Jeff.

MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR -- That's what John Krikorian called the recent Mystery Bus Trip to Hobb's Grove in Sanger. Hostess Janet Powell said the 45 participants had a wonderful time at the haunted house, the haunted forest, and the haunted hayride. Supper was enjoyed at the concession stand and the hillbilly band added atmosphere. Two cases of wine plus beer, soft drinks and appetizers disappeared during the bus ride to Sanger. Janet promises more mystery tips in the future.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE -- President Deborah thanked those who turned out to judge the Halloween Costume parade at our adopted Lowell School last week.

A bank is a place that will lend you money, says Peter Scheer, if you can prove that you don't need it.

DORIS SAYS THANKS -- Doris Blanton thanked Rotarians for being part of her busy life as she sprints to the last phases of earning her doctorate. "Each of you are contributing to the stitches that bind me together in love and service," said Doris. In turn, she was thanked for her work on the North Fresno Rotary website.

THEY'RE HOME AGAIN! -- Gordon Knott and Houry Sanderson have returned. Gordon spent ten days exploring China. Houry brought back an exchange banner from the Rotary Club of Capetown.

DEBORAH'S HELPERS -- Rod Gibson, the invocation; Houry Sanderson, the flag salute; Tony Akel, introducer; Scott Lowe, "jokes," he said; Paul Read, the bottle of wine..

DINING OUT -- Richard Lord reports seven dinner groups have been formed and more will be organized if needed. Each group has four couples who will set their own dining schedule. If you'd like to participate, see Richard.

Reported by, Bob Edwards. Well done young man.