

NORTH FRESNO ROTARY

BULLETIN FOR MARCH 17, 2016

Rotary Club of North Fresno
Chartered: October 5, 1948
District: 5230
email: northfresnorotary.org
Current Members: 95



Upcoming Meeting Events:

March 24: Katie Siemens/Mike Grannis: Pancake Breakfast Update

March 31: Joseph Penberra: A View of World Economics

If you are making arrangements for program, please verify the program/presenter are correct when you submit for publication.

Future Club Events:

March 22: NFR Spring Mixer:

Location: Sam's Italian Deli, corner of First and Clinton

Time: 5:30PM-7:00PM

April 9: BOD Leadership FIESTA: 8:00AM-4:30PM

April 13: Monthly BOD Meeting: 7:00AM-8:15AM

SAVE THE DATE: Friday May 6, 2016 COG SOCIAL EVENT OF THE SPRING!

Details forthcoming

June 23: Demotion Luncheon for the Honorable BERNADETTE HANSEN.

No Guest Speaker scheduled, it will not be without a surprise!

June 24: DEMOTION PARTY FOR BERNADETTE HANSEN

Time: 7:00PM-11:00PM

Location to be determined, with details to follow

July 9, 2016: Annual Pancake Breakfast. 7:00AM-11:AM

Fig Garden Village @ Elbow Room

July 9, 2016: Fun Run. The event this year will be sanctioned in an effort to increase the participation of runners

Future Regional Events:

May 13-14 2016: District 5230 Conference.

Location: Fresno Fairgrounds

Theme: Thank a Farmer

All are encouraged to attend, and many family oriented events are planned, so save the date on your calendars!!

PRESIDENT BERNADETTE HANSEN was brought to the podium by RHONDA WESSELS.

- **Invocation: NEAL HOWARD**
- **Flag Salute: RICHARD LORD**
- **Raffle Tickets: SY SIZEMORE.....wait for the drum roll, there was a big winner! RHONDA WESSELLS of all people finally picked the Ace of Spades and walked away with over \$1000!! Congratulations, RHONDA.....**
- **Greeter: The name of this individual slipped the mind of the stand in reporter**

Announcements:

PAUL GIBSON stepped to the front and mentioned that he and his wife JOAN EATON are hosting a brainstorming session of the club Program Committee at their house on March 31, 2016 from 5:30-7:30PM. Their home is located at 1660 W. Alluvial Avenue.

REGIONAL GOVERNOR MIKE ANDRITCH reminded us of the upcoming District Conference in May and in tune with our Break the Barriers presentation mentioned that MarilynHamilton, who started the performance wheelchair industry will be there to speak.

There was an announcement about March Match Up program to help the CSUF Student Pantry which started late last year. Fascinating to hear that so many students are defined as food insecure in this day and age. Any contributions made on behalf of the Pantry will be matched by a local insurance company. Let's make some donations so that no student would ever have to worry about going hungry while going to classes.

Speaker Program: Deby Hergenrader, Founder/Executive Director, Break the Barriers.

The program was introduced by NFR member, Julie Keitges, longtime friend of Ms. Hergenrader, and volunteer with the organization

Ms. Hergenrader, a competitive gymnast, began Break the Barriers along with her husband in their backyard. They were inspired by her sister Kathy, who was a participant in and multiple Gold medal winner in numerous Special Olympics before her recent passing.

From those humble beginnings, the organization has become a world wide entity, led to the development of many similar programs throughout the world and allowed Break the Barriers to visit countries around the globe.

They have recently expanded their activities to include activities for our country's veterans.

The presentation concluded with an inspiring video.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30PM

Stand-In Reporter: NEAL HOWARD

