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Monthly Newsletter - Monterey Cannery Row Rotary November, 2021

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Hi Again Everyone,

Wow. We're getting into the holiday season already with Thanksgiving just a couple weeks away. Can you believe it!

This month in the Rotary world is Rotary Foundation Month. And what better way to commemorate it than to complete our District Service Grant "Trees for Monterey" project. The project has been largely funded by money contributed by us to The Rotary Foundation that has made its way back to our District in the form of matching funds to the project, and the trees and supplies we've purchased. The articles to the right and on page 2 provide the details and plans. So, thanks to John Hetz for initiating and managing the grant project and to those who helped on October 23rd including John, Ed Smith, Haruno Ito, Yavuz Atila, and my husband Derek who joined me at the event. And as indicated, our second planting will be this coming Saturday at Lake El Estero. So please join us if you can. And bring a family member, friend or prospective club member to witness our "Service Above Self".

Lastly, as we think about the holidays, I would like to send our most sincere gratitude to the amazing speakers we've had such as Mayor Ian Oglesby of Seaside and Monterey County District Attorney Jeannine Pacioni. These guests, among other amazing leaders in our community, shared with us the passion of their work. THANK YOU!

Please join us for our next breakfast meetings at First Awakenings. I challenge everybody to bring candidates for membership to help with our quest to continue our amazing work.

Berniz House



District Service Grant

Trees for Monterey

Our club is partnering with the Rotary Clubs of Monterey and Monterey Pacific this year on a multi-club project to plant trees in parks and neighborhoods where they have died or where new trees are needed. Each club has contributed dollars to the effort and our District 5230 has provided matching funds for a total amount of \$7,500. That will buy 50-60 trees as well as stakes and water bags. Our first planting session was on Saturday, October 23rd when about 25 volunteers pitched in at the city cemetery and planted 20 trees in areas that were treeless due to losses over the years. Below are some photos from the rewarding and fun event which took about two hours. **Justin Prouty**, Urban Forester with the City of Monterey (pictured on the right) purchased the trees and supplies, and arranged the planting. He's done a terrific job working with us on this great environmental project. Thanks also to the three club Presidents: **Dennis McCarthy** of Monterey, **Janet Belardo** of Monterey Pacific, and of course our own **Berniz House** who have all been very supportive and involved.



Ed Smith and Haruno Ito

Meetings

11/4 Club Meeting
7:30am at First Awakenings
Guest Speaker – **Jeannine Pacioni**,
Monterey County District Attorney

11/11 Club Meeting
7:30am at First Awakenings
Guest Speaker – TBA

11/18 Club Meeting
7:30am at First Awakenings
Guest Speaker – **Norm Groot**,
Monterey County Farm Bureau

12/2 Club Meeting
7:30am at First Awakenings
Guest Speaker – **Jan Price**,
Show-All About Movies

Birthdays

None

Wedding Anniversaries

None

Club Anniversaries

11/26 Luis Contreras (6)



Grants Update

Trees for Monterey District Service Grant

Our second planting event will be on **Saturday, November 13th at Lake El Estero Park** starting at 9:00am. Please park along Camino El Estero between Pearl and Fremont, and meet at the small 6-8 car parking lot there. We will then proceed to the red flag areas around the lake where we'll plant about 20 trees. Again bring gloves, sturdy shoes or boots, a shovel, a small rake, water and sunblock. Should take us 2-2/12 hours depending on the number of volunteers.

Thanks for your participation and support,
John Hetz, Project Leader

2021 Marks 36th Year of PolioPlus Program



*Nearly 3 Billion Children Immunized
Against Polio
99% of World Polio Free
Over \$2.1 Billion Contributed
Africa Recently Declared Polio Free*

Latest News

Through November 2nd still only one new case of the wild virus in Afghanistan (January 1st) and one in Pakistan (January 27th). This compares to 53 and 79 as of the same date a year ago, and a total of 56 and 84 for all of 2020. Let's keep hoping this is the end of the wild virus in these last two endemic countries, and we have finally ended polio in the world.

Toward that goal, our club members recently contributed \$243 to **End Polio Now** collected at our October meetings as part of the District's milk bottle "Challenge".

Member Profile



Joe Gallagher

Joe, our club President in 2020-21, was born in Wisconsin but moved with his family to Modesto when in 4th grade. In high school he was active in sports and met his future wife Dawn. They have now been married 38 years and have two daughters and two granddaughters.

Vocationally, he graduated from CSU Stanislaus in Turlock and was an elementary school teacher for 25 years. As a teacher he was determined to make learning fun for his students, so he participated in all sorts of extra-curricular activities such as woodworking, knitting, History Days, festivals and coaching sports teams. But his favorite activity was "plays", as he directed over 50 plays for his students. Some he wrote himself and they were generally historical that derived from their in-class curriculum. Joe built all of the sets and props, and ran the lights and sound. A couple students went on to professional acting careers. He also performed himself in several musicals with the Sierra Repertory Theatre.

One of Joe's major hobbies is sailboat racing. He's raced Hobie Cats from Canada to Mexico and is currently a member of the Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club where he now races bigger boats.

When Joe and Dawn, who has had a career in nursing, became empty nesters in 2014 they moved to the Monterey Peninsula and he switched from education to selling real estate with Sotheby's International Realty where he is now a top producer. He joined Monterey Cannery Row Rotary in 2016, continues to be an active member, and is a Paul Harris Fellow. Thanks Joe for your leadership during these difficult pandemic times.

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?