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Celebrate Rotary

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Program

Karina Alvarez introduced as our speaker Patrick Yanni, the band instructor at Southwest High School following the school's banner year, which included a trip to New York City with appearances at Carnegie Hall and the legendary Apollo Theater. Patrick said the trip to New York was the icing on an extraordinary year for the band program. And he thanked the Rotary Club for its donation to help fund the experience. Of all bands and orchestras that played at Carnegie hall that day there were only two standing ovations. Southwest was one. While in New York, the students in both the Southwest Jazz Band and the Wind Ensemble got to participate in musical clinics with some top talent. And the students got to see "Hello Dolly" with Bernadette Peters.



Earlier in the year, Patrick said, both Southwest's Wind Ensemble and the Jazz Band received such high ratings at musical festivals for school music programs that they qualified to play at the Southern California Regional Festival, which was first for Southwest's music program. He again thanked Rotary for its donation to the music program and promised next year will be equally exciting for the program.

Thank you Mr. Yanni!



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POT



Bob Mapes won the drawing and got \$33 and the white chip leaving \$82 in the big pot.

Announcements



Ed Snively reported that the pizza party for the S.T.A.R. kids at Hardy School was a smash hit. He said the kids had a great time and really loved program and the end of the year part.



He added that Bob McNeece provided the pizza for the parties at both Hardy and at Desert Garden Schools. George McFaddin, Emma Jones and other Rotarians were at the party at Desert Gardens. And that party was made even sweeter thanks to cookies George brought

And the announcement everyone's been waiting for... Lee Hindman announced the **Kick Out for Prez Kris will be Thursday, June 28 at PAL**. Festivities, or dread as the case may be, begins at 6 p.m. and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. And, last but not least, Richard Acosta announced that the Holtville Rotary Club has moved its meeting place to the Lutheran Church in Holtville.

Pledge, Prayer and Song

Victor Calderon pledged; Todd Evangelist prayed and The Rev. Ron Griffen led the song. No, it wasn't "Take Me Out to The Ball Game". It was "God Bless America"



Please keep former Rotarian and Past President Chuck LePere in your prayers.



Whining and Fining



Jack Tyler, back from a 14-day trip to Maui that included a jaunt to Hana and time to relax, got recognized. He did bring a beautiful pair of salad tons as a gift/bribe for Prez Kris. However, he also confessed to getting a brand new car. For all of that, he paid \$100 to the club and \$100 to his Paul Harris. Bob Mapes also got dinged for travels taken and the traveling he will be doing this summer. Bob just got back from a 14-day Alaskan cruise with stops in Ketchikan, Sitka, Homer and Kodiak. He said he had a blast and in honor of his 50th anniversary to his wife, Marcia, he gave \$100 to the Club.



Visiting Rotarians and Rotarians With Guests

Our resident visitor, Richard Acosta of the Holtville Club, attended.

Karina Alvarez introduced her guest, and our speaker, Patrick



Yanni, band instructor at Southwest High School; Phil Heald, introduced his guest, and favorite pooch, Bridget, and Prez Kris introduced her husband, Michael, and the 4-legged member of their family, Gadget.



The Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do guides Rotarians.

The test is as follows:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Does it promote GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?