



# ROTARY ROUND-UP



Kathy Ball, President 2018-2019      Celebrate Rotary      Number 9 for The Week of September 6, 2018

## **PROGRAM**

Our program as introduced by President Kathy was Cristina Roberts who spoke to us about her Rotary projects on behalf of her foundation and the El Centro Rotary Club.



For those that don't know, Christina has been a huge supporter and advocate for Rotary for a very long time. Christina grew up in Mexico City and studied Library Sciences. Christina visited the city of Atlixco in the state of Puebla over the years. Atlixco's main economic activities include agriculture as well as other basic commerce.

As a result of recent large earthquakes there were area's where walls and buildings fell down blocking roads. Christina got involved in directing people to help in the clean up and in order to bring services to the people.

In dealing with the earthquake devastation, Christina donated money and food to help the local survivor's. Money was used to purchase food for the survivor's and there was



a lot of cooking involved. The Puebla Rotary Club helped her in the distribution of food to the survivors.

The next project Christina got involved in was providing shoes to children in one of the small local schools. Upon seeing the plight of a number of the local children which had no shoes, she ended up going to a shoe factory in Leon where she bought them shoes. With the help of the Rotary Club, they were able to deliver the numerous pairs of shoes to those school children.

This led to her next program in which she provided the local school children with pencils, paper and other school supplies. As she related these matters, Christina was already discussing a future project that will involve providing the people with warm blankets.

As Christina stated, there was also the problem of dealing with the local government to ensure that these supplies, food, and other items were not stolen as part of the government's process.

As one of the last items that Christina mentioned, was that a number of the people from that area hoped to come visit us here in El Centro. So start planning for some visitors during the coming year.

It was a very good and informative program. Thank you to Cristina for your program and in helping the people of Atlixco!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Lee Hindman announced that everyone should mark June 27, 2019 down on their calendars (for some date of future social significance). I believe it has something to do with President Kathy.

### ***Pledge, Prayer and Song***



President Kathy began the meeting with the pledge by Rosa Caro, followed by the blessing/prayer by Ed Snively, and the patriotic song (God Bless

America) led by a dog eared trio led by Gadget, Kris Becker and Cliff Caldwell.

### ***Visiting Rotarians and Guests of Rotarians***

There were no visiting Rotarians or guests of Rotarians. However, Thomas Oliva, a guest of Cristina Roberts, showed up to see the program.

## WHINING AND FINING



President Kathy related to the club that she had toured parts to the great State of Tennessee. For those of you that don't know, Tennessee is a landlocked state in the old South known for the long running Country-music scene that includes the Grand Ole Opry, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, and a stretch of honky-tonks and dance halls. In other words, Tennessee is the type of location every Rotarian should aspire to visit during their lifetime. According to President Kathy, she had the privilege of visiting some of these historic locations.



Kathy also mentioned that she visited the community of Clarksville, where they have the River Walk and the "International Avenue of Flags" reflecting a number of Rotary flags from around the world. Kathy also visited Huntington, Indiana where she saw Rotary Centennial Park with the Rotary Wheel Clock tower and the Vice Presi-

dent's Museum (previously the Dan Quayle Museum). Some of us can still remember Dan Quayle and his years as Vice-President of the United States.

President Kathy called on Dr. Ray Loo who paid the Club a \$50.00 fine for going to the local Market and getting into a conversation with Lee Hindman. Everyone should be "fined" for talking to Lee.

Bob Barros paid \$100.00 for buying his wife a new "Suburban". We all know Bob is very smart, especially when he related to us: "Happy wife, happy life".

Lanny Foote paid \$100.00 to the Club and \$100.00 to the Foundation for his poor sense of humor. After making an inappropriate dog remark, Emma Jones ran into his wife Linda at the Market told her Lanny was being a "jerk". Needless to say Lanny eventually got punched in the back! But, really, Lanny deserves so much more punishment!

**POT**



Ed Snively was the winner of this week's drawing taking home \$18.00. However, Ed did not win the large pot (\$221.00) which will be carried over to next week.

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**THE FOUR-WAY TEST**  
of the things we think, say or do

*first*

**Is it the TRUTH?**

*second*

**Is it FAIR to all concerned?**

*third*

**Will it build GOOD WILL  
and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**

*fourth*

**Will it be BENEFICIAL to  
all concerned?**

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