



Kathy Ball, President 2018-2019

Celebrate Rotary

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## PROGRAM



Its Domestic Violence Awareness Month and The Victim Witness Protection Agency was our astounding program!!

Not only women but the children are also affected by Domestic Violence. A women in a domestic violence situation is often hesitant to leave the situation, why you may ask, well they may not know where to turn for assistance. If they contact the police they are put in contact with DV Assistance, safe housing is available, mom and the kids can be placed in a safe situation. "Unfortunately all too often they are safe for the weekend, but on Monday the mom drops the charges, and returns to the violent environment" If they are willing to stay the course, they can get out of this situation and be safe. They can be given counseling for themselves and the children for not only the physical violence but also for the mental violence or abuse.

If You or Someone You Know Is Being Abused, You may call the Woman Haven Hotline at 1-760-353-8530. The hotline is answered by trained counselors 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It is bilingual, confidential and referrals may be provided for services in every region of the County. It offers information such as DV shelter bed availability, counseling referrals, batterer's treatment information, and assistance with safety planning. If you are in immediate danger, call 9-1-1.

You may also contact the Imperial County Family Justice Center located at the Center For Family Solutions, 727 West Main Street, El Centro, CA 92243, (760) 353-6922. The Family Justice Center is open Monday and Tuesday from 9:00 am to 1:00 am.

California law refers to domestic violence as abuse committed against an adult or minor who is a spouse, former spouse, cohabitant, former cohabitant, or person with whom the suspect has had a child or is having or has had a dating or engagement relationship (PC 13700 (b)). "Abuse" means intentionally or recklessly causing or attempting to cause bodily injury, or placing another person in reasonable apprehension of imminent serious bodily injury to himself or herself, or another.

Victims of domestic violence can include women and men of any age, race, religion, social or economic status, education, or sexual orientation.

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

Our meeting was called to order by President Kathy. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Shanna Abatti, and Ron Griffin led us in prayer. Past President Emma was "tested with technology" as she tried to use a speaker, her phone and a microphone to assist with the National Anthem. We sang without music and without Emma!



### ***Visiting Rotarians and***



Richard Acosta from the Holtville club, (who should be paying dues!) was visiting as Orlando Espino from



Calexico, Shab, (Past District Governor) and Risea both from the San Bernardino Sunset Club.

John LaDoux brought Ruben Castro as his guest and Randy



Miles brought his Rotary Ann, Alicia...but forgot to introduce her! OUCH!!!



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Wednesday's, the Calexico Club meets at the Deny's in Calexico.

It quickly became "The Randy Miles Show" as he discussed the 1000 Smiles trip coming up and invited all the club members to sign up! He talked about Rod Pittman and how many years they went to the 1000 Smiles Clinic in Ensenada. Randy also announced The Desert Museum fundraiser...\$30 per ticket.

Shab (his guest) talked about "People of Action" and bragged about how "Randy is the poster child for being a "Person of Action"

October 21<sup>st</sup> is the Annual 4-H BBQ at the Fairgrounds! \$10 per ticket and super delicious! Karina has tickets for sale.

Kathy discussed the Foundation Gala that is coming up November 10<sup>th</sup> and is encouraging all to attend.

Past President Kris Becker will be hosting The Club's Christmas Party on December 6<sup>th</sup>! Thanks Kris!!



**Next week Matt Phillips will be our program, talking about The Southwest HOSA program.**

**POT**



John LaVada took \$17 home with him and left the \$269 in the big pot!

# Whining and Fining

Chris Plourd has good reason to be proud of his daughter! (\$75 proud) She not only is a world-wide marathon runner (New York, Berlin and Lisbon just to name a few) but she's also in great shape!!



Jennifer Thomason broke 3 toes, she was pretty quick to say "I did NOT kick my dog or my Dad" And then it was back to "The Randy Show"...he had a fancy picture of himself in Portugal and thought he should get credit for attending a Rotary meeting....The bribe he brought for President Kathy wasn't enough for such a trip...(\$50) and he



**FORGOT TO INTRODUCE HIS DARLING WIFE "OUCH"**

