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Celebrate Rotary

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SPECIAL PROGRAM—A DAY OF HONORING

We didn't have a special guest speaker today; we had several guests today that gave short speeches. Today was a day of honoring our very own Rotarians who gave of their time as STAR presenters and to hear from some of the STAR students, their teachers and Principals. We also met the scholarship winners and heard what they would like to become, lastly we met some of the students we supported as recipients of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Program. It was an enjoyable program that honored various ages and bridged the spectrum from fourth grade to seasoned Rotarians. Thanks to Rosa Caro who "manages" the STAR Program, Cathy Kennerson who handles the Rotary Scholarships and Emma Jones who helps with RYLA.

Pledge, Prayer and Song



President Aaron led everyone in reciting the Pledge, Bob Mapes offered the prayer and Jeff Sturtevant, who was assisted by student guests (Marissa Robledo, Brianna Castellanos, Hyung Ju Kim, Stephany Woods and Suede Jones) led the singing.

Visiting Rotarians and Rotarians with Guests



Cherisse Alford from the Imperial



Breakfast Club joined us for lunch, Matt Contreras introduced his son Robby, and David Cason introduced his guest.

When you miss Rotary, you miss out!
Meetings are held at the PAL facility (1100 North 4th Street) beginning 12:10 PM. on Thursdays.

Upcoming Activities

May 30	Highway clean up
June 11	Annual Dinner (Kick out) - Mirage Room

Birthdays

May		June	
Johnny Sonza	1	Lily Arambula	5
Bill Plourd	4	Nassif Burkchuch	23
P.D. Singh	20	Bobby Brock	27
David Cason	21	Ryan Childers	29
July		July	
Eusebio Arballo	4	Jim Brock	19
Frank Popejoy	14	Mitch Driskill	24
Kevin Rachford	17	Sergio Santos	28

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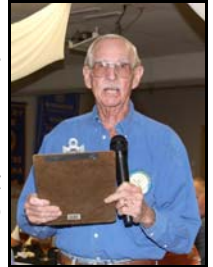
Veronica Henderson beat out the "table" and had the winning ticket.

Announcements



Rod Pittman reminded everyone that the Highway Cleanup would take place on Saturday, May 30th. Meet at the In-N-Out parking lot at 7:00 a.m. He encouraged the Inter-Act clubs to participate.

Past President Lee announced the Annual President's Dinner (aka "kickout") to be held at the Mirage Room of the NAF on June 11th. Rotarians dine free, however, you will need to pay for your spouse or guest (s). And of course, don't forget your car registration, driver's license, proof of insurance and sign-up to attend.



Whining and Fining



We only had one fine, and that went to Trish McNeece in the amount of \$75 for her trip to Las Vegas and for attending "CHER."

RYLA

The El Centro Rotary club sponsored seven students to attend the RYLA Conference. Four of the students were from Southwest and three from Central.



Rotary Scholarship Winners



The Rotary Scholarship winners from Central Union High School include: Marissa Robledo-\$1,000, Hyung Ju Kim-\$750, and Brianna Castellanos-\$750. The Recipients from Southwest High School are: Ashley Armendariz—\$100, Kayla Finnell-\$750, and Jacqueline Olivas-\$750.



Congratulations! Thanks to Cathy Kennerson for her help with the Scholarship Program. Thanks also to the counseling staffs of both schools that disseminated and collected the applications and also to the Rotarians that helped read the applications: Veronica Henderson, Bobby Brock, Emma Jones, and Bob Hahn.

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