



## *Rotary Club of Placentia Meeting Newsletter*

<b>Meeting: February 1, 2012</b>	<b>Next Meeting: February 8, 2012</b>
<b>Invocation: Teri Niebuhr</b>	<b>Invocation: T.C.</b>
<b>Pledge: Jim Cole</b>	<b>Pledge: Nate Forrest</b>
<b>Program: Jeanette Contreras</b>	<b>Program: Michele</b>
<b>Topic: Speech Contest</b>	<b>Topic: Cowabunga</b>
<b>Raffle Winner: Speech Contestant Mom Mrs. Meza (\$40 Cash)</b>	<b>Raffle Donor: G.R. Hodges</b>

### **Announcements: Pres. Roy**

- Roy thanked the club's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary committee – Hugh, Carol, Jim P., Lee, Keith, and Al.
- Bruce's granddaughter, Madison came by and filled G.S. cookie orders. Let Bruce know if you need more. You can also buy cookies for the troops.
- Roy left the club early to accept a recognition award from St. Joseph's Church School.
- Our VHS Interact Club is being recognized by the City Council next Tuesday Feb 7<sup>th</sup>.
- There will be a Girl's Day Out on Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup>
- State of the City breakfast is February 23<sup>rd</sup>. See Roy if interested.
- Author's Luncheon will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Easter Egg-citement breakfast, hunt, and lunch will be March 31<sup>st</sup>
- Save the date of September 8, 2012 for the Angel's End Polio Night
- Cowabunga sponsorship forms are available from Bruce
- End of Year Raffle Prize to date: \$219.70

### **Fines & Celebrations: Fine Master (FM): Teri Niebuhr**

Name & Amount	Reason	Name & Amount	Reason
Several \$1	Secret Greeter Ins.	Several \$1 HB	Club 75 <sup>th</sup> Celebration
Suzanne \$100 to PH	b-day	Jeanette \$26	Daughter's b-day
Glenn \$4HB	4 kids all in CA	Michelle \$5	Club 75 <sup>th</sup> Celebration
Craig H. \$1 HB	Sold 10 Cowabunga Tickets	Suzanne \$1 HB	Has her Blue Badge
Jeanette \$4 HB	Speeches	Ted \$1 HB	Perfect attendance in tact

### **Guests & Visitors:**

Name	Representing	Name	Representing
Sara & Madison Castello	Girl Scout Cookie Sales (Bruce's D. & G-daughter)	Pat Irot & Jeremy Yamaguchi	Speech Contest Judges
Ms. Carey Cecil	EDHS Assistant Principal	Mrs. Meza	Mother of contestant
Ms. Erica Amann	EDHS Teacher		

### **Program Summary:**

The club held its annual speech contest today and once again we heard some excellent speeches. The speeches all used personal examples of how the students had done something to "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity", this year's Rotary theme. Alexa Arndt (1<sup>st</sup> prize \$100) told about overcoming a physical adversity to gain a better understanding of other people's plights. Pamela Meza (2nd prize \$75) told how she became a vegan to help her sister cope with a serious medical condition. Tar Rakhra (3rd prize \$50) told how visiting his grandfather in India helped him to see the commonality of mankind no matter what their social status. Each of the contestants talked a little bit about themselves after their speeches while the judges tallied the scores.



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Our own Jeanette Contreras chaired the event. Pat Irot from the League of Women Voters, Placentia Mayor Jeremy Yamaguchi, and Kevin Padilla were judges. Jim Cole did the timekeeping.

### Meeting Photos:



Speech contestants Alexa Arndt, Pamela Meza, and Tar Rakhra all gave good speeches on their personal interpretation of the Rotary theme "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"



Contest judges were Pat Irot from the League of Women's Voters, Jeanette, and Mayor Jeremy Yamaguchi. Kevin P. (not pictured) was a 4<sup>th</sup> judge.



Jeanette and Jim P. present Alexa Arndt with her 1<sup>st</sup> place certificate and a check for \$100.



Contestant Pamela Meza's mom won the \$40 raffle prize.



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Glenn B. stepped up as song master and chose a new song that wife Kathi enjoyed and had everyone else hitting the song books to try and keep up!



Bruce brought daughter Sara and granddaughter Madison to satisfy the club's G.S. cookie fix.



Finemaster Teri got lots of happy bucks for her first week of the month. The Super Bowl should bring plenty of happy and sad bucks next week!



Suzanne shows off her Blue Badge after putting \$100 towards her P.H. for her birthday.



Jeanette brought 3 great Speech Contestants to talk about their personal take on the Rotary theme