

Welcome
Members and Guests
to the meeting
of the
Rotary Club of Placentia

late-December
+ January



Wedding Anniversaries

1/31 TC & Maria Cakiraga



Birthdays

12/23 Alex Cherniss
12/26 Alex Muolo
12/29 Christine Stellino
12/30 Maria Cakiraga
1/15 Alice Shiozawa
1/26 Krystina Gabler

Today's Program:

Club Assembly

*** Upcoming Programs ***

Jan 10 Li'l Trout - OC Chapter for
 Bikers Against Child Abuse
 Jan 17 *dark* (evening social)
 Jan 24 Jeanette Contreras -
 Plac Library District
 Jan 31 tbd
 Feb 7 Club Assembly
 Feb 14 tbd
 Feb 21 *dark* (evening social)
 Feb 28 tbd
 Mar 6 tbd
 Mar 13 tbd
 Mar 20 *dark* (evening social)
 Mar 27 tbd



Club Anniversaries

1/4/2012 Robert Gabler

Upcoming Events

- Tu 1/9 District Leadership Forum @ FV
 - Sat 1/13 & Sun 1/14 City e-waste recycling
 - Tu 1/9 District Leadership Forum @FV
 - Sat 1/20 City Shred Day
 - Sat 1/27 34th Annl Peace Conference
 - Th 2/1 58th Annl Excellence in Placentia
 - Sat 2/3 SJC Rotary Car Show
 - 2/2-2/4 SW PETS
 - Tu 2/13 3rd District President's Dinner
 - Th 3/16 District training @ Chapman
 - Sat 4/13 Chamber 100th Birthday Bash
 - Sat 4/20 Love Placentia
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Club & Community News

December was a busy month, both as Rotarians and personally! The month began with individuals filling of "reverse Advent" food items for the Whitten Center holiday distribution. Several members then helped the families experience a visit with Santa & Placentia FD, receive a gift, and engage in craft activities at Whitten Center, particularly with cookie-decorating (and eating!!).

Santa also paid a visit to the City's annual Tamale Fest in Old Town on Thursday 12/7! We sponsor Santa's visit, and providing toys and photo-op for the parents. We also man one of the beer & wine bar as a mini-fundraiser, making approximately \$3000.



Our club Christmas party was held on Saturday 12/16, at the Woodfield community room. Several club members, spouses, and family members spent a warm evening together dining on favorite holiday dishes,

yummy desserts, and beverages. We raffled off the patriotic Christmas tree which was donated by Ward, and won by Kathi (at the Roundtable Women's Festival of Trees), raising \$180. The decision was made to donate both the tree and the funds to Veterans Village; Kathi delivered these later in the week. Club members also donated paper goods (toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, diapers & wipes, etc) for the families of HIS-OC.



Thirteen of our Interactors volunteered to help with decorating the Rotary Rose Parade Float. On Saturday 12/23, they headed over to Irwindale to help with the dry decoration. (The actual floral application did not start until after Christmas.) Upon arrival, we learned that the Rotary float, titled "Clean Water – the Music of Life", was ahead of schedule, so we were assigned to help with other floats. Fun and camaraderie were had by all, and all earned a special bright yellow Rotary t-shirt! And did you notice that the Rotary

float was awarded the Leishman Public Spirit Award?



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January is Rotary Vocational Service Month

RI and District News

The next Leadership Forum will be next week, on Tuesday 1/9 in Fountain Valley. The focus will be on youth programs, with presentations by our Interact Governor, by our RYLA committee, our current Global Grant Scholar, and others.

This year’s RYLA will take place from Sunday 4/14 through Sunday 4/21 (RYLA camp in Idyllwild is Friday 4/19 to Sunday 4/21), and will again be open to both sophmores and juniors selected by Rotary clubs.

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Previous week’s Program

Fire Marshall Amanda Horner

Amanda Horner is Placentia Fire & Life Safety Department’s Fire Marshall. She holds a Masters degree in Public Administration, and has held similar posts with other fire units. During our meeting of 12/6, she spoke to us regarding various aspects of community safety.

The primary function of fire codes is to keep both the firefighter and the community (public) safe. Much of the regulations and codes concern safe access and visibility, including fire protection systems, uniform color-coding systems, markings, and signage.

Fire inspectors review how various items are stored, marked, and utilized : combustibles, how things are stacked and potential for interference for emergency exits, compost piles, extension cords and surge protectors.

The fire department are involved or consulted in new construction: fire/emergency access issues may “kill” a project, all construction plans are reviewed, and sites inspected for compliance. Note: the State establishes general fire codes based on type of occupancy, but local jurisdiction may be more stringent – the City of

Placentia is one such city which holds higher standards.

Amanda, and the fire department, participates in community education, particularly at special community events, school visits and the like.