



This Week

Meeting Date and Place

May 7, 2009 at 12:15 p.m.Cameron Park Country Club

Words of Wisdom

Words of Wisdom: **Steve Long**; Greeter **Shiva Frentzen**; and **Mike Dugan** at the desk

Program

Folsom Lake College development including the Performing Arts Center

Last Week



As defined in the Rotary Manual of Procedure the Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange is a unique cultural and vocational opportunity that promotes international understanding through organized travel, personal contact and homestays. The program provides an opportunity for teams of young professional men and women to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. To participate in the program the team member must be engaged in a recognized business or profession on a full time basis, be within an age range of 25-40 and should have reasonable fluency in the language of the host country. The team leader is a Rotarian who is well-informed on the home country and fluent in its language.

The Rotary Club of Cameron Park was fortunate to have a Group Study Exchange team from Italy join us for lunch and each member gave us a brief history of their home area, their family and their business or profession. Rotarian **Mauro Bignami**, the leader of the team, gave a description of the area of Italy that comprises Zone 12. The regions of Abruzzi, Marches, Molise, and Umbria are in the east central part of Italy all but Umbria bordering on the Adriatic Sea. Albania, across the Adriatic Sea is also in Zone 12.

The first team member to speak was Carla who is from the city of Lanciano. She works as an executive with the Italian equivalent of the Internal Revenue Service. The second young lady was Dennis Fiorini who was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Tolentino. A research chemist involved in food chemistry her hobbies are cycling and skiing.

Francesco, a geologist, makes his home in Isernia in the mountains of central Italy. He has lived in London and Bologna. The final speaker was Paolo Zuccarini from the city of Gualdo Tadino. Paolo has worked in South Carolina and Pennsylvania but now is working as an optician with his father.

Presidents Corner



ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENT:

It is official, the Rotary Club of Cameron Park will be hosting a foreign exchange student from Santiago, Chile for the next school year. That doesn't leave much time to identify the first host family to provide accommodations beginning in late July or early August. Three or four families will be needed who will commit to a 2-3 month stint during the course of the year. Hosting a foreign student can be a fulfilling

experience and anyone interested in doing so is asked to contact **Anne Eckert** as soon as possible.

Rotary DISTRICT 5190 CONVENTION:

The District Convention is coming up fast. To be held at the Peppermill Hotel and Convention Center in Reno on May 14 to 17, the program promises inspirational speakers and lots of good information about Rotary programs. Interact students and Group Study Exchange teams in attendance always bring good energy. This year's program promises to be a good time for all. The Rotary Clubs of Georgetown and Pollock Pines will both join Cameron Park to sponsor a hospitality room. Members planning to attend are asked to tell **Bill Gallant** and to bring refreshments for the hospitality and fellowship. Conference registration may be accomplished on the District Web site.

Debra Miller announced that tickets for **Wine at Town Center** and 1,200 tickets are now available. Avoid the rush and obtain your tickets at only \$45.00 each.

The Cameron Park Rotary Club Board of Directors has approved the membership application of Catherine Thornton with the classification of financial advisor.

Noted Rotarians



FINES AND HAPPY BUCKS:

We got a preview of what we can expect in July when **Pres. Elect Bill Gallant** takes the helm. Conducting the meeting because our leader **Iain Marshall** was out of the country, Bill introduced **Bob Edwards** as his ``Fine Master``. Bob was prepared with a long list of alleged miscreants and started out by asking **Ron Losel** about a letter he wrote that was in the Mountain Democrat. With a little arm twisting \$10 was wrested from Ron. **Norm Headley** had signed up to work on the Christmas In April project but opted for Hawaii instead for which he was relieved of \$10. Bob then had a long tale about **Bill Gallant`s** bathroom and a calendar that hung therein with his daily weight listed. It seems that there was a sudden gain recorded for which **Bill** was assessed \$40.

Birthdays in May

Bob Dorr

Tom Keating

Steve Long

-----Spouses-----

Frank Carlson

Keith Deister

Anniversaries in May

Mike & Chris Reeg Collom

Gary & Sheilah Gall

Bob & Pamela Laurie

Verne & Chris Sanders

Upcoming Calendar

May 7, 2009 - Folsom Lake College development, including Performing Arts Center

May 14, 2009 - Vocational Service experiences by **Norm Headley** and **Tom Keating**

May 21, 2009 - **George Eckert** - California Mortgage Association: Legislative Update

May 28, 2009 - Trip to California Military Museum for meeting and tour

June 4, 2009 - Faith Episcopal Church **Star Walker** from EDC Office on Aging about available programs.

June 11- Red Hawk Casino-Gary Reynolds has the scoop.

June 18-Faith Episcopal Church-Ponderosa High School football coach Mr. Tanner.

June 25-CPCC-CELEBRATING 40 YEARS. Bring photos of yourself from 1969 (our Charter year). Club Service Chair and International Service Chair will highlight noted accomplishments over the years

July 2 - CPCC - Program by Peter Voy from Furniture for Families.

July 9 - CPCC - Program by Janeen Rich from Calif. OES Hazmat team.

July 16 - CPCC - Program by Pat Barron from Kacies Ride for Help.

Upcoming Words of Wisdom

May 7 - Words of Wisdom **Steve Long**; Greeter **Shiva Frentzen**; and **Mike Dugan** on the front desk.

May 14 - Words of Wisdom **Ben Foulk**; Greeter **Mike Dugan**; **David Tavernetti** on the front desk.

May 21 - Words of Wisdom **Dave Sargent**; Greeter **Fritz Engel**; **David Tavernetti** on the front desk.

May 28 - Words of Wisdom **Mike Dugan**; Greeter **David Crofut**; **Ben Young** on the front desk.

June 4 - Words of Wisdom **Chuck LePere**; Greeter **Vickie Christensen-McClain**; **Tom Keating** on, at or near the front desk.

The Last Word



Bernie Dowse district Director of the Salvation Army, reported that our Christmas in April event was a financial success. \$4,370 was collected that day with the team at the **Nugget** in El Dorado Hills having the heaviest bucket. Ernie passed out a paper that listed what our collection can do in the county to help the needy.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 9, 2009 - Walk to raise funds to fight breast cancer. For details as to how you can participate contact **Vickie Christensen** at (916) 835-5704.

May 12, 2009 - Monthly Rotary Club of Cameron Park Board meeting at Kobe`s restaurant in Burke`s Junction. All members welcome.

May 14 to 17, 2009 - Rotary District 5190 Conference at the Peppermill Hotel and Conference Center in Reno

June 13, 2009 - **Wine at Town Center**

July 17, 2009 – Cocktail party for new **Paul Harris Fellows** at **Iain** and **Sally Marshall's** house.

October 10, 2009 - **Show and Shine** at Cameron Park Airport

It was nice to see **Larry Shuler** at our meeting.

Mike Neal has put together a photo series of highlights of our 2009 Rotarians at Work Day. The link is at the bottom of this web page.

Gear Up is written by **Jim Buckley** and **Art Cort**. Photography and artwork through the talents of **Mike Neal**.