

SALINAS ROTARY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The foundation of our **Race of Thrones Crapper Derby** is in place! May 7, 2016 ~ 9AM – 1PM in the 200 Block of Main Street

We have a logo – the logo contest done with students of the CSUMB Design Studio provided us with a colorful and fun logo to use on promotional materials, t-shirts, banners, etc. Those committee members involved with the logo selection felt Cameron Cozza's entry best depicted a creative expression of the event, communicating energetic family fun.

We have a prototype – thank you Lino Belli! The Interact Club will be decorating the prototype and will coordinate getting the crapper out to various locations. This is a new event, and we'll need exposure around Salinas to encourage participation and attendance. This prototype is also our first event entry – Go Interact Club!

We have rules and sponsorship packages – and a list of businesses to approach. Our goal is to have 24 crapper entries and net \$10,000 to benefit Dorothy's Place Lake Street Service Center (aka the Chinatown Project).

If you'd like to get involved, please let me, Mark Kennedy or Luis Alvarez know. We have a solid core group working to make the Race of Thrones Crapper Derby a success, and we welcome anyone wanting to join in the fun.

Today and every day, we are Rotarians.
President Vickie

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TAKE ACTION: www.salinasrotary.org

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PIGS, PINOT & MORE




IT ALL HAPPENS AT:
 Salinas Police Athletics League Headquarters
 100 Howard Street, Salinas

Presenting Partners



Get your tickets NOW @ PigsPinotAndMore.org
 \$85 PP in Advance, \$100 PP at the Door

 Pigs, Pinot & More



All proceeds will benefit the Charitable Fund of the Rotary Club of Salinas. Must be 21 to attend.

UPDATE ON JUNKO!

Junko Tokaji, our Youth Exchange student from Japan, continues to excel at Salinas High School. She is a member of the high school band and had the opportunity to play for football games and in parades this past fall. She enjoyed spending both Thanksgiving and Christmas with her host family's relatives. Junko hopes to have the opportunity to downhill ski this winter. She looks forward to traveling to Hawaii this spring with other exchange students.

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

January

Luis Alvarez
 Tim Baldwin
 Teri Belli
 Raul Chavez
 Brett Harrell
 Vern Horton
 Basil Mills
 David Mills
 Steve Sheam
 Todd Wheeler

February

Margaret D'Arrigo
 Marcy Delbick
 Fred DeYoung
 Catherine Kobrinsky-Evans
 John Haupt
 Dave Mora

March

Tiffany DiTullio
 Julie Edgcomb
 Terry Feinberg
 Peter Kasavan
 Lisa Maker
 Andy Matsui
 Mike McGirr
 Paul Powers

Anniversaries

Gaylon Haney 42 Years
 Spence Myers 31 Years
 Mark Scarr 31 Years
 Jim Schwefel 31 Years
 Tony Royal 28 Years
 Timothy Knapp 25 Years
 Bob Kasavan 24 Years
 Fernando Elizondo 19 Years
 Joseph Marchionna 19 Years
 Paul Powers 19 Years
 Henry Francioni 18 Years
 Mark Kennedy 18 Years
 Teri Belli 17 Years
 Greg Chilton 17 Years
 Bev Ranzemberger 17 Years
 Brett Harrell 16 Years
 Dan Ortega 16 Years
 Todd Wheeler 16 Years
 Kelly Sutherland 13 Years
 Bruce Adams 11 Years
 Ross Smith 11 Years
 Rod Braga 10 Years
 Abby Taylor-Silva 10 Years
 Vanessa Vallarta 10 Years
 John Farahmand 8 Years
 John Haupt 8 Years
 Stephanie Hulsey 8 Years
 Felicia Kausin 8 Years
 Laura Pruneda 8 Years
 Colleen Bailey 6 Years
 Tim Baldwin 6 Years
 Richard Copeland 5 Years
 Robert Dickenson 5 Years
 Angela Savage 5 Years
 David Smith 5 Years
 Sherri Isaac 1 Year
 Nick Pasculli 1 Year
 David Peartree 1 Year
 Joe Piini 1 Year
 Elizabeth Welden-Smith 1 Year
 Doug Yount 1 Year

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Tom McAuliffe, Insurance—Retired

Tom worked for 55 years in the Property and Casualty Insurance business, including time he spent with Aetna, Riggs-Edwards, Frank B. Hall, and AON Risk Services. He was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. After graduating from Duquesne University, Tom served two years active duty in the Army (stationed for part of the time in South Korea) as a Medical Service Officer before embarking on his insurance career. He served as President of the following organizations: Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Salinas Valley, Salinas Valley Builders Exchange, Associated General of California Monterey Bay Chapter, and the Salinas Northeast Rotary Club. Tom has served as chair of the Central Coast YMCA Board, and he has also served on the VNA-Hospice Foundation Board. Tom was recognized as the Salinas Chamber's Citizen of the Year in 1982. He has been married for 54 years with "two wonderful families including three children, three step-children, eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren." He and his wife Mary live in Salinas. Tom has an identical twin in Pinehurst, North Carolina. Tom enjoys golfing, traveling, and sports of all kinds.

Mike Haynes, Wholesale Floor Coverings

Mike is the President of Cinderella Carpets. He was born and raised in Salinas, graduated from Salinas High in 1980, and began working for Cinderella Carpets that same year. Mike was previously a member of the Salinas Northeast Rotary Club where he was a two time past President, served as Foundation chair, was Rotarian of the year in 2002, and chaired numerous committees and fund raising events. Mike oversees the Haynes Charitable Foundation that his father Stan started to help those in need (Stan was a former member of the Salinas Rotary Club until his passing in 2010). Mike enjoys traveling (38 countries so far (!) and many parts of the US), fishing, camping, boating, biking and new adventures. Mike and Gina have 4 kids, ages from 22 to 28, and they reside in Salinas.

ROTARY INTERACT CHRISTMAS GIFT PROJECT



This year's Rotary Interact Christmas Gift program was a huge success. The Interact Club of Salinas High raised over \$3000.00 dollars to purchase toys and gifts for approximately 150 students at Roosevelt Elementary School. Gifts given to the children were incredibly diverse, ranging from Star Wars Legos, a small skateboard, winter clothes, Marvel superhero action figures, Shopkins, Pokémon cards, etc. Children in 1st through 3rd grades generally received the toys while the 4th-6th graders received clothes and shoes.

MT. TORO BBQ

Over 225 students, faculty and staff attended this quarter's BBQ at Mt. Toro High School. John Haupt and his crew served chicken sandwiches, hamburgers with all the fixings, salad, chips and drinks. The well attended event was enjoyed by all. Thank you to John for coordinating the successful event!



ROTARY CLUB OF TAHOE PRESENTS THE 40TH ANNUAL DICK LINKEY ROTARY SKI CHALLENGE



March 11, 2016 at Northstar, Lake Tahoe
Contact Rodney Meeks to sign up today!

CLUB MEETING INFORMATION

Weekly: Every Tuesday, at 12 noon

Place: National Steinbeck Center
1 Main Street, Salinas, CA 93901

The Salinas Rotary Club is a dynamic, engaged and influential club that provides fellowship and value to its members, and brings positive change to our community.



The Downtown Club

P.O BOX 676
Salinas, CA 93902



SALINAS ROTARY CLUB WATER PROJECT IN CAMBODIA

Abby Taylor-Silva is a member of the 45th Class of the California Agricultural Leadership Program and in November 2015, she joined 25 people on a life-changing trip to Southeast Asia. They coordinated with RDI Cambodia, who makes ceramic water filters that prevent waterborne diseases and early death. Over 50% of the rural Cambodian population does not have access to safe drinking water and 20% of the deaths of children under five are due to waterborne diseases. Kudos to Abby and her team for making a difference!