

SALINAS ROTARY CLUB NEWSLETTER

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California Earthquake Authority Speaker, Mark Toohey, pictured with Rotarians: Bob Kasavan, Sherrie Isaac, Joe Grainger, Linda Fosler, Bev Ranzenberger, Claudia Pizarro-Villalobos, Rodney Meeks, Mark McAuliffe, and Nathan Stoores



Rodney Meeks and Bev Ranzenberger



Mt. Toro Student of the Year: Emily Rivera-Hernandez

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Our first meeting has come and gone, the dust has settled, and now it is time to start having fun!

We had a preview of the celebration of life for Sherrie Isaac, our recently passed club member. She was in the midst of a full and rich life, not even close to slowing down. She will be sorely missed by our club and community.

We recognized our club leadership, for 2018-19, starting with the Three Amigos: Nathan Stoores, President Elect, Tiffany DiTullio, Vice President and myself. We are fortunate to have Anne Leach and Joe Grainger back as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. For Directors, we have Nicole Pettit managing our Club Service portfolio, Bob Kasavan and Robert Dickenson managing Vocational Service, Joe Piini and John Haupt managing Community and International Service, and finally Linda Fosler and Mali Cuda managing New Generations.

We are kicking off a major membership drive, headed by Meryl Rasmussen and Mark Laughton, named "40<40". This represents a major push to build our membership back up to pre-recession numbers.

Jeannine Pacioni is chairing the Program committee of nearly a dozen members tasked with developing four programs, each following a theme of their areas of expertise.

We are also going to work to better support each other, our businesses, and organizations.

Our club makes an enormous impact in our community, and each one of us as individuals and families share our time and treasure.

I am very proud and humbled to be your president this year. I will work every day to make your experience as fulfilling as possible.

Lino

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Club Awards

Spouse of the Year – Jill Kennedy



By Day: Super Mom



By Afternoon: Super Volunteer



By Night: Super Styling Beauty

Mark Kennedy: “In every way, she really is perfect.”



COG of the Year
Brenda Granillo



Rotarian of the Year
Richard Copeland



Rotarian of the Year
Sherrie Isaac



2017-2018 Board of Directors:
Lino Belli, Rodney Meeks,
Anne Leach, Bill Tebbe, Bob
Kasavan, Nathan Stoopes, Bev
Ranzenberger, Joe Piini, Linda
Fosler, Joe Grainger
Not pictured: Claudia Pizarro-
Villalobos, Sherrie Isaac



Salinas Rotary is now in the
hands of the “Three Amigos”
President- Lino Belli
President Elect- Nathan Stoopes
Vice President-Tiffany DiTullio

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

July

- Keith Hanson
- Bruce Adams
- Paul Famer
- Anne Leach
- Nick Pasculli
- John Menold
- Meryl Rasmussen
- Jason Retterer
- Greg Chilton
- Henry Francioni
- Susan Yedlicka
- William Stoffers
- Vanessa Vallarta
- Bruce Taylor

August

- Sharon Gish
- Linda Fosler
- Bill Tebbe
- Vickie Dixon
- Mark Kooiman
- Chris Steinbruner
- Harry Wardwell
- Jeff Dicks

September

- Joe Marchionna
- Albert Maldonado
- Adele Frese
- Will Lewallen
- Aaron Evans
- Mike Wilson
- Mike Nolan
- Art Sutton
- Araceli Bernardasci
- Sam Linder
- Bev Ranzenberger
- Gale Rawitzer
- Kelly McMillin

Anniversaries

- Jim Leach – 59 Years
- Basil Mills- 43 Years
- Kurt Lofgren – 38 Years
- William Stoffers – 37 Years
- Mike Scarr – 35 Years
- Petie Helfrich- 31 Years
- Raul Chavez- 26 Years
- Keith Hanson- 26 Years
- Sam Linder- 26 Years
- Rodney Meeks – 24 Years
- Anne Leach – 23 Years
- Bill Tebbe – 23 Years
- Aytac Apyaydin- 22 Years
- Nathan Stoopes - 20 Years
- Ray Borzini- 14 Years
- John Musni- 10 Years
- Mike Nolan – 10 Years
- Derek Derdivanis – 10 Years
- Will Lewallen – 6 Years
- Kelly McMillin – 6 Years
- Pete Delgado – 5 Years
- Lisa Craft – 5 Years
- Amy Salmina – 4 Years
- Mike McGirr- 4 Years
- Catherine Kobrinsky-Evans- 4 Years
- Linda Fosler- 4 Years
- Mike Haynes- 3 Years
- Doreen Luke – 1 Year

Highlights of 2017-2018

The Salinas Rotary Club Charitable Fund supported the annual Immunization Day Event at Chinatown Health Center, Camp Royal Student Leadership Program, Mt. Toro Student BBQ's and Student of the Month Presentations, Salinas High School 5th Quarter after football game events, Salinas High School Student of the Month /Year Presentations, Salinas High School Sober Grad Night and Graduation Pizza Party, Salinas Valley Half Marathon, Rotary Foundation Polio Plus Project, donor to Relay for Life, the newly established Rotaract Club at Hartnell College, Sun Street Center, Salinas PAL, the Downtown Salinas Gateway Project, and (with the Steinbeck Rotary Club) we supported a grant to the Food Bank to purchase a cooler for its new facility.

In addition, the Salinas Rotary Charitable Fund made donations to Rotary International Global Grants that are providing clean water and vocational training to places like Honduras and Zimbabwe.

In appreciation of their service to Rotary, the Salinas Rotary Charitable Fund made donations to the Community Foundation for Monterey County Salinas Rotary Donor Advised Fund in memory of Rotarians Sam Downing and Sherrie Isaac.



We are kicking off a major membership drive, led by Mark Laughton and Meryl Rasmussen, named "40 under 40". This represents a major push to build our membership back up to pre-recession numbers. Mark and Meryl are looking for the next generation of leaders, and they are hoping to lean on various groups such as AgKnowledge and Leadership Monterey County to recruit members. How YOU can help:

- ▶ Set up coffee/lunch dates with potential new members for Mark and Meryl to host
- ▶ Host potential new members at meetings
- ▶ Sponsor a potential new member

President Bev's Kick-Out Party

The club at Crazy Horse Ranch was the setting on July 26th for another successful presidential kick-out. It was a night full of great food, fellowship, and entertainment. Providing emcee duty was Anne Leach, and she did a great job taking attendees through President Bev's life and times. Providing the entertainment was the Downtown Rotary Players comedy troupe, and they had a good time riffing off of President Bev's medical background with their annual skit. Providing proper medical attention to patients was a feisty nurse Ranzenberger, played by our own Bob Kasavan, and testing nurse R's patience and expertise was a lineup of patients with various ailments, played by Paul Farmer, Berk Brannon, and Nate Stooles. While nurse R handled these patients' many issues with her own style of tact and empathy, she did have some additional help from the archangel of Rotary, played by Steve Shearn. Thank you to all involved in the organization of the event, congratulations to President Bev on a successful year, and welcome to President Lino!



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The Downtown Club

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Honoring Sherrie Isaac

Born and raised in Salinas, Sherrie was a partner with accounting firm Hayashi Wayland until her recent retirement. In Rotary, she found the perfect vehicle to give back to the community she loved, and our club recognized her efforts by honoring her as our Rotarian of the Year.

Fellow Rotarian Paul Farmer had this to say: "I absolutely adored Sherrie. She was one of the most selfless, caring, witty people I've had the pleasure of knowing. We will all miss her, that impeccable coif and her unmistakable bright red lipstick."



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