

Nsawo District Grant Update: The Community Maize Mill Building is Completed



Deb Luyiima reported the wonderful news that the construction of the community maize mill storage building has been successfully completed! This milestone is a significant achievement for their community and would not have been possible without the generous support and contributions from various Rotary clubs and individuals.

Deb said, "Our Rotary club is now making the necessary arrangements to open a dedicated bank account for the project. This will allow us to manage the funds effectively and ensure that the project implementation can begin as planned. The funds will be transferred from Rotary Club of Clayton Valley Concord Sunrise to our club. We will keep you updated on the progress and any further developments. Once again, thank you for your invaluable support and for being a part of this incredible journey. Together, we are making a positive impact in Nsawo community."

MORNINGRITUAL

The Pledge

4-Way Test

Mystery Greeter



Thought for the Day

“There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit.”

— Ronald Reagan



Guests: TINEKE & DAVE

They need no formal introduction. We all know and have worked with them for years.



TODAY'S SPEAKER

SAVE A GIRL



Today's speaker told us that the mission of The Global Uplift Project (TGUP) is to improve education for the developing world's people. That means improving facilities, access, and curricular depth. It also means working with local people to implement proven solutions. A better world "out there" means a better world here at home. That is TGUP's Mission.

More than 20 million girls in the developing world drop out of school every year because they cannot manage their period. UNICEF says it might be as many as 50 million. THIS IS ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE!

Save a Girl™ provides adolescent girls with washable, reusable cloth sanitary kits to help them manage their period so they can stay in school. A kit costs \$6 to make but is free to the girl. It lasts for three years. **Keeping an adolescent girl in school for \$2 per year might be the highest return on human investment in the world.**

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Brenda Birrell (brendab@tgup.org) is The Global Uplift Project's Program Director. After graduating from Cambridge University, UK, Brenda taught High School Physics. In 1983, she and her husband moved to Los Altos where they raised two daughters. She returned to the education field in 2001 and retired in 2017 so that she could work full time for The Global Uplift Project and help thousands of children in the developing world every year, instead of hundreds of children in the US. She loves working on all of TGUP's projects, but *Save a Girl* is the closest to her heart. As well as her work with TGUP, she enjoys traveling, hiking, singing, baking, listening to classical music, and spending time with family and friends.

BOOK DONATION

The book was signed and will be donated to the Clayton Community Library.



LET'S GET STARTED

Community Services: BOB HUCK

Director Bob Huck announced that the Home Team will meet on November 23rd so book your needs and tell Bob if you will help. He is preparing the Butterfly Garden clean up and spending more time with the White Pony Express events. Stay tuned.

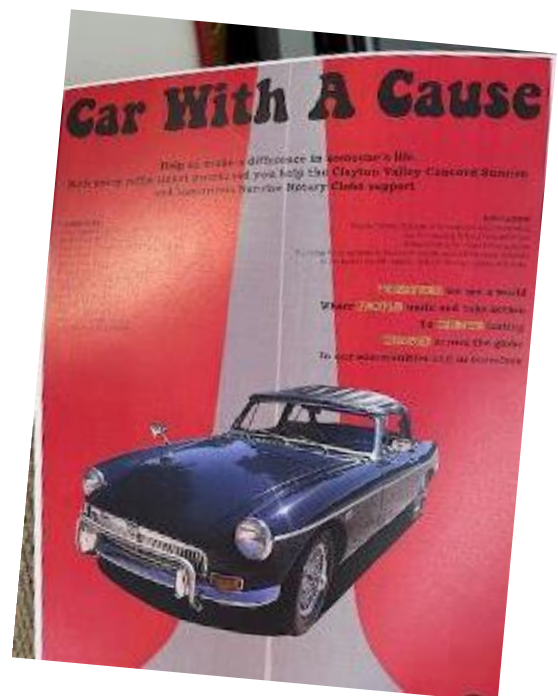
BELL RINGING

Bob said: "We are scheduled to do the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday, December 7 at the Clayton Safeway store. In the past years we have been very supportive of this fun and beneficial event. We need 2 volunteers between 11:00 & 1:00, 1:00 & 3:00, and 3:00 & 5:00. You can bring spouses, friends & children. Please let me know if you can participate."

C2C: VALENTINE'S DAY RAFFLE



We are now selling 600 tickets at \$100.00 each. The vehicle was donated by a long time customer of D&H and he had recently invested \$20K in restoration. The vehicle, the classic British 69 MGB, has 15K original miles on it." Tickets are printed and the **drawing will be held on Valentine's Day.**



CARS 2nd CHANCE UPDATE



Larry Hutchings announced that he would be transferring \$3000.00 into the Charitable Board Account from the Cars 2nd Chance project. He explained that monies are coming in from both retail car sales and auction car sales. After expenses are paid the remainder of the funds are divided between Clayton Valley Concord Rotary and Lamorinda Rotary. All transactions are transparent. Complete financials are kept with Renee Rushworth Bookkeeping. Financials are shared with the Cars 2nd Chance Working Committee and with the Cars 2nd Chance Board monthly. Anyone interested in the financials just needs to ask and we are happy to share.

Dave Kemnitz volunteered to join our Rotary meetings monthly and give an update on the projects. Dave does this monthly with Lamorinda Rotary as well. He reported that the MGB Raffle has sold approximately 100 tickets to date.

Contribution: "BEING MORTAL"

Torsten Jacobsen shares these words with you. He read more than once "Being Mortal" by Atul Gawande and much of what he says is all the more relevant at this moment in time.

"We all need and should seek a cause beyond ourselves. This gives our lives meaning. This dedication we can call loyalty is the opposite of individualism which puts self-interest first. To the individualist, loyalty to a cause beyond self-interest seems strange because when you are gone, self-sacrifice makes no sense. For our lives to be enduring, we need devotion beyond ourselves. If self-interest were the primary source of the meaning of life, then it wouldn't matter if an hour after our death, everyone we knew were to be wiped from the face of the earth. We should seek transcendence--a transient desire to see and help other beings achieve their potential. These thoughts apply strongly to the situation we find ourselves in forever and certainly in this moment in time."



Raffle Winner **BILL SELB**



HAPPYBUCKS BARBARA REIFSCHEIDER

Julia Kitay had a happy 10 bucks this morning. Julia was happy that she was able to make 116 hygiene kits for the girls as their Christmas gifts



Jeff Wilson Jeff had a happy 10 bucks for his crazy weekend as coach for his daughter's soccer teams. Jeff also gave \$50 to the Julia Kitay project. Julia is giving 116 hygiene kits in December to the girls as Christmas gifts.



Deb Luyiima was happy to report that they distributed over seven thousand hygiene kits to the girls.



Larry Hutchings had a happy two bucks this morning. As he was happy to be here and back in the bay area.

Mary Kemnitz was happy for all of Dave's help during her recuperation. I think he was the male version of nurse ratchet.



Happy Anniversary:

FRIDAY THE 13th was the day in 1970 that Bob and Aleta Huck were married. Looks like it wasn't a negative date after all as today they are celebrating their 54th anniversary.



THE GALLERY

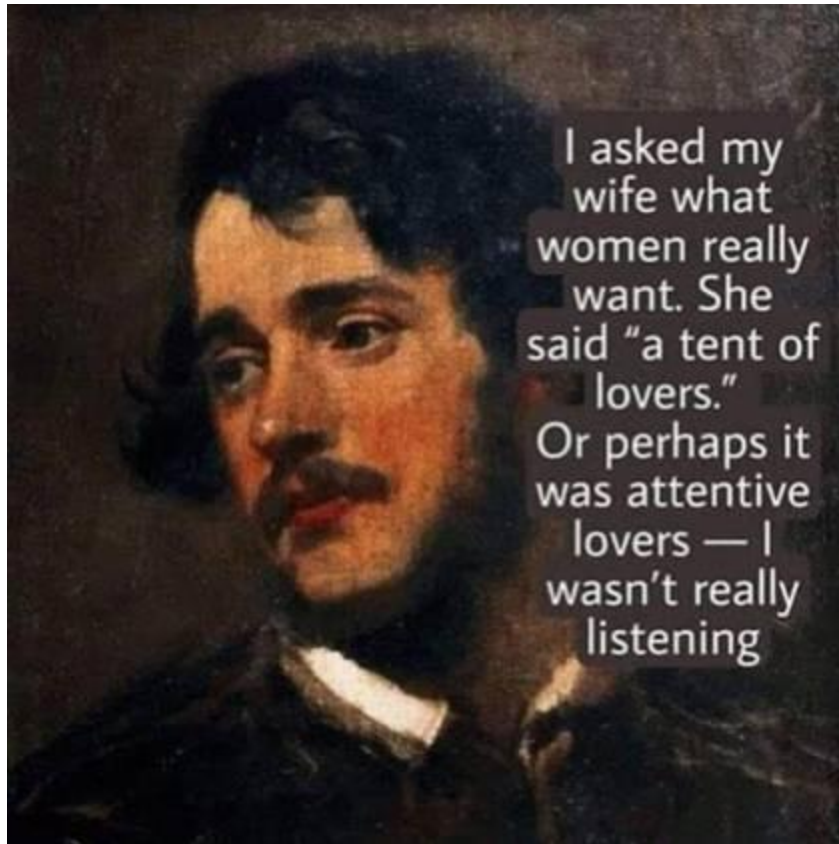


Clayton Worsdell took this stunning photo of the last Supermoon for this year, November 15, 2024, in honorary member Lois Nelson's backyard.

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BILL SELB & CAROL WORSDELL





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ONE LAST THING

Accomplishments

It was a very good year. Here are all the things our club accomplished in the 2023-2024 term under the leadership of our president Bob Sundberg. We're keeping this list in the newsletter to remind us of what we have to live up to. **New accomplishments are in red type.**

Community Service - Local Projects

- CVCHS Art Expo \$1,225 - Alison Sparks
- CVCHS Robotics Club donation \$500
- **Diablo View Parents Club (From 5k Run) – Jeff Wilson**
- **Mt Diablo Elementary Parents Club (From 5k Run) – Jeff Wilson**
- MDUSD **Art In A Box HOPE** – Homeless Children – Joan Donofrio
- Backpacks and supplies for families served by the Family Justice Center, Concord
- San Felipe Gracie/Kuchy Sanchez Youth Education Program \$6,500.00 matching Funds - Certificates for uniforms, shoes & socks. Scientific calculator, and testing costs to get into High School – Richard Lueck
- San Felipe reconditioned laptop computers – Richard Lueck – Johnny Morgan
- Kennedy-King Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000.00 – Irene Davids-Blair

Local Community

- Earth Day – Newhall Park Butterfly Garden 4/18/2024
- Home Team – Bob Huck
- White Pony Express food sorting
- Adopt A Street 4/6/2024 - 10/7/2024
- Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing at Safeway, Clayton (8 volunteers \$744.00)
- Christmas Contra Costa Food Bank Donations – Bob Hooy
- Christmas Monument Crises Center Food Boxes – 250 Total, \$12,000.00
- City of Concord Planting project
- DVC Domestic Violence Legal Clinic donation \$250, Steve Lack
- Clayton Library book donations as speaker's gifts - \$1,000.00
- Clayton Valley Village - \$1,000.00

International Projects

- Rotary Polio Plus - Goal \$2000, Actual \$3520
- Rotary Intl Annual Fund - Goal \$13,000, Actual - Exceeded
- Oakland Rotary Club's India Indigenous Tribal project \$2,000.00
- Donations to the Maui District Rotary Foundation for the Maui Fire relief.
- Nsawo Village Clinic Children's (5-14 Years of Age) Personal Hygiene Kits (121) - \$5,000.00
- Nsawo Village Clinic other - \$16,625.00
- Nsawo Village general Economic Development - \$29,925.00
- Nsawo Village mosquito nets - \$1,975.00
- **San Felipe Annual Cancer Walk Don't Run Event**
- **Uganda: Save a Girl: hygiene bags, bar soap, sewing machines**

District and Global Grants

- San Felipe Replacement mammography machine – \$125,000.00
- San Felipe/Area Cervical Cancer Testing equipment - \$25,000.00
- **Nsawo Village Coffee huller and maize milling machine - \$20,000.00**
- Art in a Box - \$15,000 – 560 boxes assembled - Joan Donofrio

Fund Raisers

- Pancake Breakfast 4th of July 2023. More than \$6,500.00 – Jeff and club
- Father's Day 5k Run 6/16/2024 - \$5,000 so far – Jeff Wilson
- **Cars 2nd Chance car donation program and raffle – Mary Kemnitz**

Club Socials and Events

- **Bocce Challenge 9/21/2024**
- **Holiday Party 12/2024**
- FNL – Friday Night Live – John Wenzel, Barbara R, Joan Donofrio
- BBQ in the park – Clayton Community Park, 9/21/2023
- BBQ in the park – Newhall Park
- 2024 Promo/Demo
- Deb and Hood visit planning, scheduling, arranging. – Larry, Hugh, Torsten

Notable

- Website - redesigned by John Wenzel
- Projected 2023-2024 EOY Club Financial balance of more than \$7,500.00
- **Recognition citation was issued by Gordon McNally, RI President, for our club meeting our goals for 2023-2024.**
- **Major Donors, Russ Anderson and Bob Sundberg. Major Donors are those who have donated \$10,000.00 or more to RI.**

