



5/9/2024

SAN FELIPE ROWING STUDENT TO COMPETE AT THE 2024 OLYMPICS



TINA SWEENEY and ALEXIS LOPEZ

Tina Sweeney, Youth Development Coordinator, just informed us that when she toured the school's rowing facility she noticed they only had two very old computers on hand and were being used in shifts by all the students in the facility to complete their homework. Immediately she made available 10 of the 27 laptops our club recently donated for students' use. These dedicated students row from 4-6 am, attend school, come back then row again from 3-6 pm That leaves only enough time to eat, sleep, and do their homework so these laptops will allow more students to access the internet at one time.

The students hard work has paid off big time. Local rower, **Alexis Lopez**, has qualified for the 2024 Olympics in Paris this summer. Tina said, "We are so proud of his accomplishments. Watch for him this summer with the knowledge that we Rotarians helped him get there. We thank you once again for your generous donation of the laptop computers and show you how this is already benefiting our community."

MORNING RITUAL

The Pledge



4-Way Test

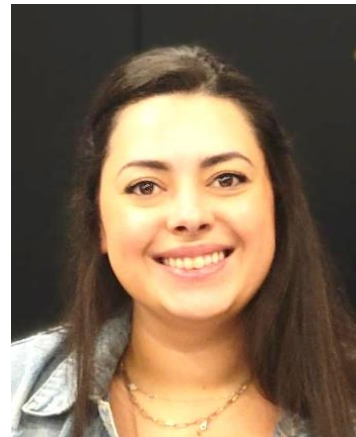


Mystery Greeter

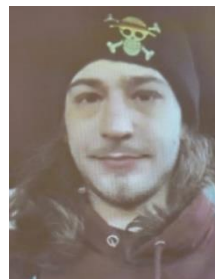


Thought for the Day

**“Attract what you expect,
reflect what you desire,
become what you respect,
mirror what you admire.”**



Guests



GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA TROOP32379

CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE

TODAY'S SPEAKERS

GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 32379

Kassie Bamberger and **Aria Taylor**, Girl Scouts of Troop 32379, spoke to us today about the Krazy Kits their scouts are preparing for children who have to suddenly spend the night away from their family because they are in custody at CPS.. Kassie and Aria showed us the kits that are filled and donated to Vestia that is a non-profit organization that provides services to help low-income children and families in Contra Costa County by providing emergency food, shelter, clothing, education, and scholarships. Vestia also offers programs to support foster youth, homelessness, literacy, and aging and adult services..



ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



Kassie Bamberger age 13 goes to Diablo View Middle School. She has grown up in Clayton like her dad did. Kassie has been in Girl Scouts for 8 years. She enjoys hanging with her friends, playing soccer, getting good grades, and giving back to the community. Her grandparents are members of the Russian River Rotary club.

Aria Taylor is 12 years old and has also grown up in Clayton. She goes to Diablo View Middle School and has been a Girl Scout for 8 years. She enjoys hanging with friends, playing soccer, getting good grades and giving back to the community.

BOOK DONATION

The girls autographed the book and Bill Selb will take it to the Clayton Public Library.



CLUB NEWS



Former president **Vicki Sexton** ,filling in this morning for **President Bob Sundberg** , filling the meeting to order promptly at 7:15 am. It was a jampacked fun agenda.

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT



**CONTRA
COSTA
COLLEGE**

This morning, we welcomed **Nathan Hannan** and **Jose Sanchez-Reyes**, students of the automotive program at Contra Costa College. They are each recipients of a \$2,500 scholarship for 2024.

The history of this program began in 2021. Our Rotary club, in collaboration with the Lamorinda Rotary and spearheaded by **Mary** and **Dave Kemnitz**, created the Rotary Powered Automotive Scholarship at Contra Costa College which is home to a long established Automotive Repair Program. Classes in the Automotive Services program give students hands-on training in gas, electric, hybrid, and collision repair. Currently the automotive industry is experiencing a critical and ongoing shortage of qualified technicians. The goal is to equip graduates with the necessary skills to pursue their dream of an automotive career path. The automotive industry with the growing complexity of automobiles is a rising career sector and an extremely skilled trade.



Celebration: KENNEDY-KING

Friday evening **Susie Lim** and **Joan D'Onofrio** attended as guests of the 56th annual Kennedy-King 2024 gala celebration held in the Hilton Hotel grand ballroom. They represented our club that has donated funds to the scholarship programs for many years.

The Kennedy-King Memorial College Scholarship Fund, Ltd., founded in 1968, is a living memorial to two men who died in that tumultuous year, Senator Robert F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Kennedy-King Scholarship Fund was born from the quest of local community leaders to enable social justice through education in the community and has continued to do so for over 56 years. The organization is now a permanent part of the Contra Costa community and has grown and prospered over the years. The recipients of Kennedy-King Scholarships are outstanding Contra Costa Community College District students who are transferring to four-year colleges and universities to obtain Bachelor's Degrees. They are chosen for their need, academic promise, determination to achieve an education (often in the face of incredible difficulties and hardships), leadership potential, and commitment to helping their community.



UPCOMINGEVENTS

Uganda Safari: JUNE 11

The next trip is scheduled for June 11th as posted in our newsletter. Experience a rewarding, educational, and exciting adventure. Torsten Jacobsen is trying to revitalize our clubs direct personal involvement in our international projects which helped project our club into multiple awards in the distant past. He said, "I encouraged members to visit our international projects first hand noting that none of our projects, Zambia and San Felipe have been visited in well over a decade and Uganda not once other than by myself, Tineke, daughter, grandkids, and the Mission San Rafael Prandi group on multiple occasions."

Promo Demo: JUNE 22nd

Mary Ann Kemnitz reported that this year it will be at Vicki Sexton's house. It starts at 6:00 pm. Further details are forthcoming.



Coming to America: JULY 2nd

Deb and Hood Luyiima, our Uganda Rotarians, will be visiting us from July 2 through 14 .

District Celebration: JULY 13th

Next big shindig: With only a couple of months remaining in the 2023-24 Rotary year, it is time to plan our District celebration to recognize the incredible achievements of our team over the past year. It's been a year filled with teamwork, service, fellowship, and meaningful impact. As we wrap-up one Rotary year, we eagerly anticipate the dawn of another. And what better way to mark this transition than by coming together as a Rotary family at our annual Awards and Installation dinner July 13 at the Davis Veteran's Memorial Center. Deb and Hood will be attending this event.

HAPPYBUCKS

BARBARA REIFSCHNEIDER



TORSTEN JACOBSEN said, "Finally with the efforts to revitalize our clubs direct personal involvement in our international projects which helped project our club in to multiple awards in the distant past, I encouraged members to visit our international projects first hand noting that none of our projects -Zambia, San Felipe have been visited in well over a decade and Uganda not once other than by Torsten and Tineke, MD daughter and grandkids and the Mission San Rafael Prandi group on multiple occasions. Their next trip is scheduled for June 11th as posted in our newsletter. Experience a rewarding, educational and exciting adventure."

VICKI SEXTON had a happy and partly a grumpy buck also. Vicky has a melanoma on her lower back, and she was told to keep an eye on it? Monday she is having it removed.



HUGH TOLOUI had a grumpy two bucks this morning. He was very sorry that he was unable to come and help out with art in the box.

MARY KEMNITZ had a happy buck because She is looking forward to seeing the new donated vehicles: two Porsches and a '69 MG.



Raffle Winner: JOAN D'ONOFRIO

THE GALLERY



Breath-taking full moon sent by Bo Morse



Looks like granny is off her meds again.

FUNSTUFF

GROANERS

Scientifically, a raven has 17 primary wing feathers, the big ones at the end of the wing. They are called pinion feathers. A crow has 16. So, the difference between a raven and a crow is only a matter of a pinion.

I was walking in the jungle and saw a lizard on his hind legs telling jokes. I turned to a local tribal leader and said, "That lizard is really funny!" The leader replied, "That's not a lizard. He's a stand-up chameleon."

I tried to come up with a carpentry pun that woodwork. I thought I nailed it but nobody saw it.

Singing in the shower is fine until you get soap in your mouth. Then it's a soap opera.

The Black-Eyed Peas can sing us a song ...But the chick peas can only hummus one.

Then there was the time Fruit of the Loom took Hanes to court...It was a brief case.

How much does a chimney cost? Nothing, it's on the house.

My friend said she wouldn't eat cow's tongue because it came out of a cow's mouth. I gave her an egg.

Ran out of toilet paper and now using lettuce leaves. Today was just the tip of the iceberg, and tomorrow romaines to be seen.

My friend Jack says he can communicate with vegetables. That's right...Jack and the beans talk.

I want to tell you about a girl who only eats plants. You probably have not heard of herbivore.

I was struggling to understand how lightning works ...And then it struck me.

Six cows were smoking joints and playing poker. That's right. The steaks were pretty high.

I went to the paint store to get thinner. It didn't work.



NEWSLETTER STAFF

Joan D’Onofrio, Editor
 Clayton Worsdell, Photographer
 Lois Nelson, Copy Editor
 Contributor: Bill Selb, Rich Lueck
 Barbara Reifschneider, Mary Kemnitz

EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

Bob Sundberg, President
 Molly Bacigalupo President-elect
 Ken Nishimori, Secretary
 Vicki Sexton, Treasurer
 Russ Anderson, Sergeant at Arms

CHARITABLE BOARD OFFICERS

Bob Hooy, Chair
 Russ Anderson, Vice Chair
 Mary Kemnitz, Secretary
 Vicki Sexton, Treasurer



