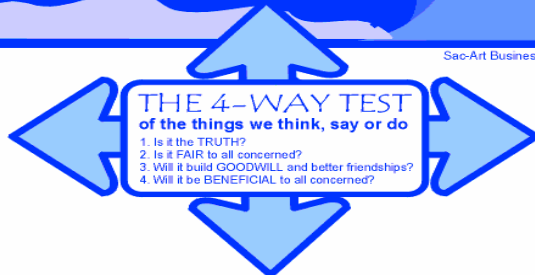


THE SCHOONER

The Spanish word for "schooner" is derived from the Arabic word "galata," and by the mid-1800's the area became known as "the place of the goleta."



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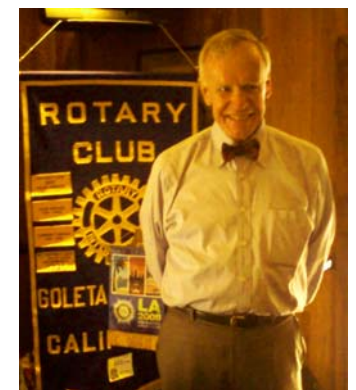
- 4/8 – Caitrin Mc Kiernan – Reports back to the on her stay in China
- 4/15 – Sarah McKittrick her Roll in the Construction Academy at SBCC
- 4/22 – Rotoract President, Liz Werhane will tell the club about her trip to Italy
- 4/29 - Los Prietos Program
- 5/6 – Dark for noon meeting at E-Bar (Joint Meeting with the evening club Fireside Chat)
- 5/13 - Becky Albano - foreign exchange student

Special thanks to Bruce Holms for the meeting pictures and David Gore for the meeting notes that made this Schooner possible.

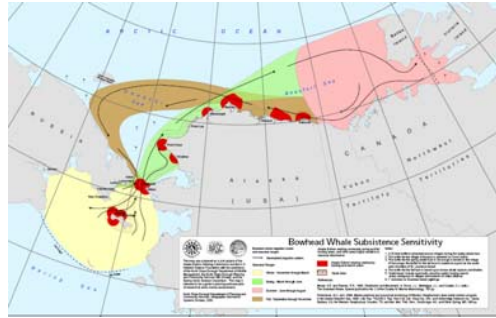
This Week: 4/1 - Jim Lewis - District 5240 Polio Plus Partners, District sponsored NID to India, and our District project for India.

Last Meeting: - 3/25 –Dr. Charles R. Greene spoke to the club about the interaction of whales and mankind in the Arctic. He is an underwater acoustics expert, and founded Green Ridge Sciences with his wife. The company designs and manufactures specialized acoustic gear capable of locating whales with high accuracy in terms of triangulating direction, volume, and frequency, when the listen devices are deployed on the ocean floor.

Dr. Greene studied whales responses to underwater sound. In particular, were Bowhead whales in the Beaufort Sea north of Alaska disturbed by petroleum drilling done in areas nearby? Eskimo tribes in the



North Slope Borough were interested in the research, as they are permitted to hunt Bowhead whales in limited quantity, as was British Petroleum, a company operating one of the groups of oil drilling rigs.



Bowhead whales feed in the Beaufort Sea in the summer, and retreat south to the Bering Sea in winter. Dr. Greene's company designs and builds DASAR acoustic sensors to measure the degree of Bowhead whale activity. His group discovered that whale activity in the area north of Prudhoe Bay (near the British Petroleum drilling rigs) actually increased substantially during the construction period. He also showed that the acoustic sensors were picking up more whale activity than airplane surveys are capable of doing. The conclusion was that the noise from drilling was minimal, and that the whales did not leave the area due to the drilling noise. Boats used to ferry people to the island and drilling rigs were far noisier than the rigs themselves. When boats were in the area, nearby Bowhead whales retreated about 1-2 miles, but otherwise did not change their behavior. Question & Answer: Does Navy sonar usage damage whales? The answer is a very limited "yes", however the answer is "no" as far as new sonar devices are concerned. Old Navy (mid-range) sonar appears to be associated with beachings and deaths in one whale species that is not particularly common. Death in those cases occurred due to fatty tissue embolisms. The (low-range) Navy sonar system being tested by the Navy has so far not been associated with any whale beachings or deaths. The new sonar system seems to be an improvement over the old. The Navy desires to use the new system, too, because the old system is unable to detect today's quieter submarines and surface vessels.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.) Barbara Klein, continues promoting the **RI Convention in LA** and the need for volunteers to help at the convention. The RCGN has nine members sign up for the convention at this time. Barbara encouraged the club members to buy and bring books to the convention. A sign-up sheet for the LA convention was distributed. The deadline for early-bird rates is March 31.



2.) Michael T. Bennett and other SB County figures will be honored by the Community Action Commission at a dinner April 24 in Solvang. The \$75 dinner ticket will go 100% to fund community service programs for youth and seniors, as the tables have already been purchased by a major sponsor. Barbara and Michael T. both have additional info.

3.) Last week's Fireside Chat was a success. (A recap was provided for club members who didn't attend. Dick Temple also was at the meeting, and distributed red folders to Noontimers who didn't attend last week.) The next Fireside Chat will be on May 6. Bruce has made good headway in coordinating publicity with other Goleta 4th of July event producers.

4.) RCGN will be participating in the District 4-Way Test Essay contest. A committee of four (Barbara K, Barbara T, Steve and Dick) will review 30 essays submitted from San Marcos HS students, and will also nominate a 3rd grader essayist.

5.) Kathy Boomer needs the following supplies (See Picture) for redistribution to the homeless. You are encouraged to bring the shampoo, soap and other items you have been collecting from your travels.

6.) David Gore's Rotary Minute was on the differences between a Rotary International Convention, a Rotary District Assembly, and a



Rotary District Conference. The conclusion - the Convention (coming in June) is biggest, most inspirational, most colorful, most international, and most expensive. The District Conference (coming in October) is a place to meet fellow district Rotarians, to be inspired by outstanding speakers and by project displays from other clubs, and to become energized and motivated. A District Assembly (coming in April) is a place to become educated about Rotary and the jobs performed at the club level. Any Rotarian can attend any of these three Rotary gatherings.

While on District Assemblies, Barbara Tzur announced the District Assembly. The Oxnard assembly is on April 26. All Noontimers are invited to attend. There is no charge, except for the optional Friday evening events

7.) Cami reported on Rotary Youth Exchange student Becky Albaño's first Easter in the US. She had a great time with the Easter eggs and with her new host family, the Helmuths

8.) RCGN will again sponsor Depot Days at the South Coast Railroad Museum on June 21, helping with handcar rides for young residents

9.) Check out the Noozhawk for the Fireworks store at <http://www.noozhawk.com>

FREE RIDES

ON THE "Goleta Short Line"
MINIATURE TRAIN
& MUSEUM HANDCAR
ONE DAY ONLY
"ROTARY DAY"
SATURDAY, JUNE 21
Hours: 1 to 4 pm
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Rotary Club
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ALL RIDERS MUST MEET MINIMUM HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS (34" TRAIN; 48" HANDCAR)
South Coast Railroad Museum
300 North Los Carneros Road, Goleta
805-964-3540; info@goletadepot.org; www.goletadepot.org

Goleta Fireworks Festival Is Not Just Fireworks

Goleta, CA, March 31, 2008 – Each year the Rotary Clubs of Goleta have provided our community with a spectacular Fireworks show on the 4th of July at Girsh Park. It is the largest annual community service project conducted by the two clubs. The festival serves a dual purpose - it is an important community event and a fundraiser for the Rotary Clubs of Goleta.

The net proceeds from this event have allowed the Rotary Clubs to fund worthy community projects each year:

- The Goleta Teen of the Year Scholarship Program
- S.B.C.C. Scholarships
- Leadership Training for High School Students
- After School Programs and PTAs
- Los Prietos Boys Camp Tech Training Scholarships
- The Foundation for Girsh Park
- Goleta Valley Historical Society
- The Goleta Railroad Museum
- The Food Bank
- Alpha Resource Center
- and many more...

The Rotary Clubs fund the Fireworks completely through sponsorships and community donations. They depend on local businesses and individuals to provide financial support to help defray the cost of fireworks, insurance, venue, etc. This year everyone is faced with a poor economic climate slowing down the funding commitments that they count on. The fireworks are paid for by the clubs directly. It does not come from the City of Goleta.

Goleta's community spirit is visible each year through the Goleta Fireworks Festival and the Lemon Festival. Thousands of volunteer hours go into these events each year.

As we approach the 4th of July Holiday, we know that it has become even more important than ever to have a safe, family-friendly atmosphere to celebrate America's independence. The Rotary Clubs' aim is to provide a mix of activities — with entertainment, food and an outstanding fireworks display — appealing to all ages and interests. Easy access and free parking is also provided. Come to Goleta on July 4th.

Visit www.goletafireworks.org for more information. You can help this community tradition continue by sending your tax deductible donation to Rotary Club of Goleta Noontime Foundation, P.O. Box 164, Goleta, CA 93116. By supporting the Goleta Fireworks Festival you help strengthen programs for our youth, enable deserving local students to attend college and to fund programs that make Goleta a better place to live!

Rotary International is a worldwide humanitarian service organization with 32,000 clubs in more than 160 countries. Its members are business, governmental, and professional leaders: men and women who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build good will and peace in the world.

For more information contact:

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PAY AND TELL

No Pay and Tell as the Fine Masters were absent

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUEST

Sorry I didn't get the info for visiting Rotarians last week.

AWARDS

Rotary International, Presidential Citation	1994, 96, 97, 98, 99, 03, 05, 07
Rotary International 100% Paul Harris Club	2003
District Governor's Citation of Excellence	1996, 97, 98, 01, 03,04,05,06, 07
District 5240, Small Club – Best Vocational Service	1996, 2003, 04, 05, 07
District 5240, Small Club Best International Service,	1997, 03, 04,05,06, 07
District 5240 Small Club Most PRLS graduates	2001
District 5240 Largest Increase Rotary Found. Giving	2001
District 5240, Small Club – Best Community Service	2002, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07
District 5240, New Generations	2007
District 5240, Small Club – Best in Public Relations	1997, 2002
District 5240, Small Club – Best Club Service	1997, 2001, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07
District 5240 , Small Club – Super Club Citation	2003, 05, 06, 07
District 5240, Small Club – Youth Service Award	2003, 04, 05
District 5240, Small Club – The Family of Rotary	2003, 04, 05

MAKE-UP INFORMATION

Rotary strongly encourages weekly attendance at club meetings. If you can't attend our meeting, you need to make up the missed meeting two weeks before or after at one of over 29,000 Rotary clubs worldwide. Other Group 8 clubs are:

Montecito	Tuesday	Noon	Montecito Country Club
Goleta	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Elephant Bar
Santa Barbara Sunrise	Wed.	7:00 AM	Santa Barbara Club
Santa Barbara North	Wed.	Noon	Harry's Plaza Cafe
Carpinteria	Thursday	11:45 AM	Community Center, Lion's Park
Carpinteria Morning	Wed.	7:00 AM	Carpinteria Women's Club
Santa Barbara	Friday	Noon	Doubletree Resort

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Glenn Davis	Brian Gilbert	David Gore
Ed Graper	Bert Hansen	Bruce Holms
Jana Kriling	Emma Torres	Roger Waldron

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Scott Campbell	Donna Simons	Dennis Trammell
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