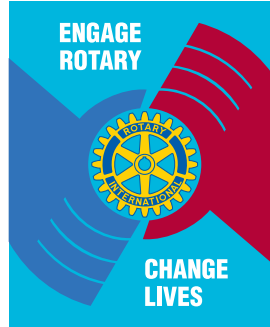




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President's Message:
Nicky Lovejoy



Save the Date of September 7th for Our A Taste of Summer-8th Annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser!

Hello Members!

Only one month into this Rotary year and we are gearing up for a great fundraiser and Wine Tasting. Hopefully you are all into selling tickets and garnering door prizes. The time frame for the event had to be reduced so we could still have a familiar location and the generosity of Harrah's in-kind donation of foods. Everyone will need to put their working hats and their running shoes on to get it all done in the 2 ½ hours we were given. The committee is working to have the event be more casual also, so has selected a summer/picnic kind of theme. Also, because of having less time, we are charging less for the tickets. We will need more sales, sponsorships and auction items donated, to up the gross income. I guess you could say that we will need all of you scurrying around like ants at a picnic during the event. Please save the date, September 7th from noon – 5:00 for set-up and take down. We must be cleared out by that time. Even if you are not on the organizing committee, you are on the list for jobs at the event. Thank you all for a great start, and as our new DG Carl Kruse asked –“Be a Torch-bearer for Rotary.”

Nicky Lovejoy
President 2013-14



District Governor, Carl Kruse Visited our Club!



We were thrilled to be able to see one of the four Olympic Torches he has carried! He inspired all of us to carry the Torch to ignite our local club and engage in projects for Rotary International!



GARDEN OF PEACE & TRANQUILITY AT CAMP PENDLETON, DEDICATED ON JULY 12, 2013



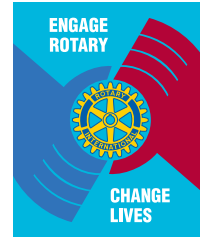
Larry and Linda Sundram presented this beautiful memorial statue to the Marine Corps!



Many people came to attend the dedication including VC Rotarians Mary, Penny, Tony and Chris!



Everyone in attendance was moved by the inspirational words of Linda and Larry Sundram who guided this project from the beginning. Past District Governor, Larry Sundram spoke to the crowd about the meaning of this Peace & Tranquility Garden. Our VC Club donated \$3,000 and an additional \$3,000 from a matching grant to help fund this \$36,000 project!



Greg Carlson is presented the 2013-14 Torchbearer's Award by District Governor Carl Kruse



President Nicky Lovejoy is presented with the 2013-14 President Energizers Award by District Governor Carl Kuse.



RI President 2012-14, Ron Burton- from RI Website

“When I feel strongly about something, I will argue like crazy for my position. I suppose that’s sort of an ego thing, but if I discern that someone has a vested interest or may be looking at a personal economic benefit, I have a simple suggestion: Apply The Four-Way Test.”

An uncompromising sense of ethics may be the only personal quality that the former president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Inc. is willing to wear on his sleeve. “Like most people, I don’t like to be told I’m wrong,” he says. “But I can be convinced that there’s another way to look at something, and sometimes I’ll change my mind. If it’s an ethical issue, though, you’re not going to tell me I’m wrong.”

Burton says most of his career success came from being “in the right place at the right time.”

Married to wife, Jetta, for 45 years, they have a daughter, a son, and three grandchildren. Burton emphasizes that their life together has been a partnership, especially when it comes to Rotary. The vital role of the family in Rotary is at the core of

Burton’s beliefs. “When we talk about the family of Rotary, I know public relations is a part of that,” he says. “But to me, it really is the family of Rotary. If you get your own family involved in this, with your own heart, and it expands to the world, that’s the family of Rotary – that’s community service.”

Throughout his time in Rotary, especially during this past year of traveling and meeting Rotarians from various countries, that perspective has helped Burton appreciate the diversity and ever-growing potential of the organization. “Speaking to Rotarians from around the world has made me more tolerant of different points of view,” he says. “You learn that there is another way to do things, that there are differences in cultures and differences in individuals. But the basic tenets come through for all of us, no matter where we are. I’d like to think there are no regional differences in the integrity aspect of the organization, but I believe we may need to do a better job of working on that and highlighting it.”

His hope for the end of his term is , “At the end of the day, I hope to leave the woodpile just a little higher.”



Meetings and Speakers

- August 5th-Emergency Preparedness-Prep Counts
- August 12th-Greg Carlson-Who Am I?
- August 19th-Geology-Art Weller
- Board meeting to follow
- August 26th-William Rice-What’s Happening With the FBI?
- September 7th-A Taste of Summer-8th Annual Wine Tasting event!

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