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Monterey*

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Nora Walsh

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# Monterey Pacific Surf & Turf



*Paper training dogs since 2008*

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## Monterey Pacific & Dorothy's Place- Hope For The Holidays

The Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific is no stranger to volunteering in their local community. To help those in need, members

along with local vendors made generous contributions for gift items to be included in the 400 holiday gift

bags for Dorothy's Place. With the aid of the Rotary Club of Monterey Korean and members from the Seaside Interact Club, the assembly ran like clockwork!

Many of the items included something sweet and healthy for the holidays, various hygiene products, handy tools from the Union Bank of California along with 400 pairs of socks generously donated by the members of the Monterey Korean club .

Many thanks to all who donated their time preceding the holiday season to organize the items as

well as Nora Walsh, who was kind enough to let us all assemble at her house.



This was the fourth annual year the Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific has donated gift bags to Dorothy's

Place, which provides food, shelter, and other services to those in need.



## The Rotary Dish

By: T.A.R. (The Anonymous Rotarian)

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**Sarah Gillingham** quits her new pharmacy job and opens a wedding planner business.

**Carolyn Harris** after winning a huge settlement for **Angelina Jolie** in her divorce from **Brad Pitt** opens a Bed and Breakfast in Chular called "The Defense Rests".

**Eugene Ganeles** thirsting for adventure in his career leaves accountancy and becomes a lumberjack incessantly singing, I'm a lumberjack and I'm OK.....

**Janet Elarmo** signs a big contract with **Gary Smith** at Monterey Live for her act Elarmo's Alarming and Alluring Flea Circus!

**DiAnna Gamecho** is hired as the head basketball coach for the **Golden State Warriors** after **Don Nelson** is fired. Preaching focus and having a happy attitude, team wins NBA title.

**Maria Vedder** becomes press spokesperson for CIA chief **Leon Panetta**. CIA briefings no longer brief.

What an exciting year it should prove to be!

Wow, what a holiday season! As has become tradition the Monterey Pacific Holiday party was a great time for all in attendance. Special shout out to **Dallas Cowboy** fan in mourning, **Jim Bennett** for the use of his clubhouse. The food was spectacular thanks in no small way to culinary skills of **Ann Appel**. The **Soylent Green** was especially tasty this year! As always, a very lively gift exchange took place. In fact, several members nearly coming to - blows over a **Gingerbread House**.

Fortunately the Christmas spirit prevailed as well as the sedative properties of alcohol and there were no hard feelings over who won the tasty housing structure. **John Mims** left behind his cell phone at the party, but in the true spirit of Christmas **Terry Low** returned it to him that night, lurking outside the house and severely frightening **Tamara Mims** when she arrived home. On a related note, we at the "Dish" understand that **John Mims** is still clearing out the messages left on his cell phone that night by many helpful Rotarians in the club.

Speaking of Jim Bennett, he was recently spotted looking spectacular at a recent Rotary meeting wearing a **Pittsburgh Steeler** football

jersey and hat. No doubt Jim will now be on most of the best dressed lists for 2008

We want our loyal readers to know the Dish is here for you during these hard economic times. In fact as our way of providing a "service" above self, this column is introducing "Dishlist", (sorry Craig), where you may list items or services that you wish to dispose of, I mean sell. Items of interest this month include;

*1 slightly used pink towel, make offer; Contact **Steve Blum***

*1 pair spike high heels, slight damage to one heel; Contact **Sarah Schupbach***

*Lightly read book titled "100 Easy Cioppino Recipes: See **Danette Roberts***

*Frequent Flier miles, many airlines, name your price; See **Frank Giglio***

So what will 2009 hold for the Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific and its members? No respectable publication would think of publishing this time of year without listing a bunch of rational, well thought out predictions for the upcoming year! Here are our predictions for some upcoming career moves for some of our members;



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## New Member Corner Featuring: Sarah Schupbach



**Member Classification:**  
Disaster Restoration/  
Marketing

**Since you've been a Rotarian, what events/activities have you enjoyed participating in the most?** I'm still a wee-lass Rotarian, and have just begun to get my feet wet with all that Rotary does.

However, I have enjoyed all of the meetings thus far, and had a great time at the Clam Bake and the Holiday Party. I especially enjoyed seeing the pictures of the red antlers and bag o' spuds tried on by fellow Holiday Party revelers! During the meetings, my favorite time is Happy Bucks. What better way to celebrate and acknowledge all the good things going on in your life?

**Tell us about you, how you got started in your line of work and your business!** If you happened to be at the meeting when I did my 2-minute speech, you would know I'm a fan of headbands with flair and brightly colored tights. That's a

pretty fair reflection of my general attitude in life: making other people smile is a daily priority. This perspective lends itself well to my job, which is marketing for five local companies: Disaster Kleenup Specialists, Ream Construction, Cypress Cabinets, Floor Store USA, and Excel Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning. And on top of that I'm on the board of the Professional Women's Network for a second year, and I just joined the board of the Monterey-San Benito American Red Cross. It's a lot to tackle no doubt as each company and organization has its own unique set of needs, but it is also highly satisfying. I naturally have a lot of energy—a true blessing indeed.





To help ring in the holidays, the Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific members helped continue a Monterey holiday tradition, eight Monterey Pacific Rotarians helped decorate Colton Hall for the holidays. This continues one of the clubs oldest Community Service projects. What a success! The day was well attended with Monterey Pacific Rotary, the Colton Hall Hostesses and Monterey History Volunteers. After the decorating, the volunteers and staff enjoyed a well deserved potluck lunch. All enjoyed wonderful weather, while creating evergreen wreaths and boughs.

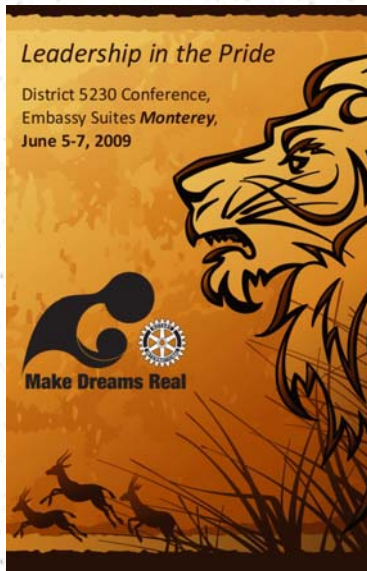


The decorations were placed on the interior and exterior of Colton Hall for all to see during the holiday season. Chalet Caitlin, Cultural Arts Assistant for the city of Monterey commented, "Thank you so much for your help with deco-

rating! You really are a tremendous group!"

A Monterey tradition for years, residents of Monterey gathered on the lawn outside Colton Hall to watch the lighting of the town's tree, listen to live music, caroling and partake in good holiday cheer!

Members of the Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific also volunteered that night by handing out cookies and warm cider to visitors as they came in out from the cold to visit Santa.



## District 5230 Conference comes to Monterey in 2009!

**Rotary International President:** Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee

**District Governor:** August Hioco

Central California, where District 5230 is located, features a moderate climate influenced by the Pacific Ocean. Its topography varies from flat agricultural land at sea level to mountains over 14,000 feet high. District 5230 is one of the 15 Rotary districts located in California,

and includes all of Monterey, Fresno, Tulare and Kings Counties. Numerous agricultural products are grown here for domestic use and export throughout the world.

Bordered by the Pacific Ocean, including the stunning coastline of Big Sur,

Carmel & Pebble Beach, district 5230 provides many opportunities for vacation and recreation. It is also an ideal place to put down roots.

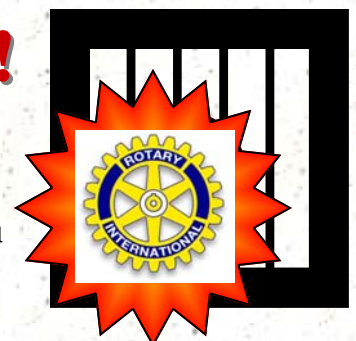
**For more information about rotary District 5230, visit:**

[www.rotary5230.org](http://www.rotary5230.org)

## Get Out of Recognition Free!!

Want to get out of your recognition FREE? Simply be the first to e-mail Michelle or Dennis @ mhayes364@vzavenue.net or Denappel@aol.com with the correct answer to the phrase below and we will contact you if you are the lucky jailbird of the month!

**Here's your first clue:**





**Carolyn B. Harris**  
2008-2009 President

My message in the November newsletter commented on how hard working this club and its members are. We are now “decomposing” from the holiday bustle and shuffle, settling back in work routines, and life in general. As we begin this year, we celebrate the club’s 4<sup>th</sup> year since chartering and we honor our charter members. Without the core group that started this club, there would be no Monterey Pacific which, I believe, is truly a unique club in membership and diversity. It is the charter members who truly

# President’s Message

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January’s theme promotes “Rotary Awareness.” As we prepare for our Cioppino Night on January 31, we have the opportunity to share what Rotary and this club does as we promote this event and encourage ticket sales. Each Rotarian has the responsibility to learn about Rotary and to share that knowledge. This education

can occur in many ways: taking the initiative to attend training sessions, surfing [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or [www.rotary5230.org](http://www.rotary5230.org), asking questions, reading *The Rotarian*, reading *The ABCs of Rotary* by Past International President Cliff Dochterman – the list is endless! The District provides assemblies and trainings sessions throughout the year, and I encourage all members, especially our new Rotarians, to attend the Presidents Pre-Pets Conference scheduled for February 21, 2009. This conference is for *all interested* Rotary members. All of us should attend this conference – after all, if we’re not interested in learning about Rotary and our District, then why are we Rotarians?



## The Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific

- ‘07-‘08 Rotarian of the Year-Jim Bennett
- ‘07-‘08 Club President of the Year: John Mims
- ‘07-‘08 Outstanding Club of the Year for District 5230 (1-27 Members)
- ‘05-‘06 Club President of the Year: Sandy Whittle
- ‘05-‘06 Outstanding Club of the Year for District 5230

### Meets:

Thursdays 5:15pm-6:15pm  
Embassy Suites:  
1441 Canyon Del Rey, Seaside, CA

*The main objective of Rotary is service—in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today’s most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development. The Rotary motto is Service Above Self.*



## Did You Know?

As a member of The Rotary Club of Monterey Pacific that you are automatically a member of the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce? Take advantage of the many networking, training and business assistance that are available to you!

[www.mpcc.com](http://www.mpcc.com)



### Comments from the peanut gallery...We welcome them!

Please contact Dennis Appel ([denappel@aol.com](mailto:denappel@aol.com)) or Michelle Hayes ([mhayes364@vzavenue.net](mailto:mhayes364@vzavenue.net)) if you have information you’d like included in our next newsletter, let us know!