



MOAPA VALLEY ROTARY CLUB

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Rotary International

www.rotary.org/

Rotary District 5300

www.district5300.org/

People To People Int.

www.ptppi.org

Operation Iraqi Children

www.operationiraqichildren.org



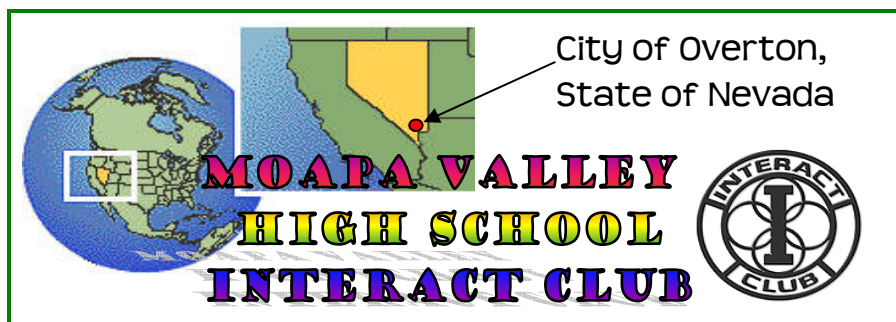
Officers Kristi Cordes and Klaryne Quirarte, pose as they fill bags of school supplies.

Interact Club International Service Project

Every year, The Interact Club searches for a project to get involved with on the international level. Officer Kristi Cordes had The Answer: to collect and donate school supplies to children trying to go to school in war ravaged Iraq.

Inspired by Operation Iraqi Freedom soldiers, Operation Iraqi Children, a grass roots program to provide concerned Americans with a means to reach out to Iraqi kids and help support our soldiers' efforts to assist the Iraqi people. Through the School Supply Kit Program, American children, church groups, and other organizations can help Iraqis by gathering school supplies in local drives, assembling them in kits according to specific instructions, then sending them to the OIC Warehouse for transport to Iraq, where our soldiers will take them to Iraqi villages.

Our club sent two dozen complete kits (see letters page 4) of scissors, rulers, paper, notebooks, all sorts of pencils and pencil bags etc, and had a great time doing it!! We also included this card to let the Iraqi students know where the students lived that assembled the kits especially for them.



*Edward and M. Patricia Blender**Rotary Club of Edwards, Colorado*

Why I Am A Rotarian

My father could never be invited to join Rotary. He was a laborer. Work wasn't always available during the great depression and when it infrequently was available - he was paid. My brother and sister and I didn't know we were poor. We were treated by clinic-based physicians and dentists and attended summer camps for children run by local charities. We had free library cards and dedicated librarians, great teachers and volunteers who encouraged reading and study.

Meals were meager but steady and Mother always provided sustenance not only for the body but also for the soul by teaching us to care and share. She kept a piggy bank on the kitchen table and asked us to remember others less fortunate and give some of our few pennies and nickels to those in need.

Our teachers were wonderful and encouraged us to dream of the future. They didn't hesitate to embrace us and tell us education and literacy were the keys to our future and that we were special and possessed the ability to make something of our lives. It was important for us to hear those words from those we respected.

Of my dozens of cousins I was the first to attend college and did so with scholarships that were awarded to me by service clubs. This was a significant hand-up in my life and I'll never forget the opportunities that were afforded me.

I graduated Temple University School of Dentistry and my wife Patti (a dental hygienist) and I worked many years side by side in our successful dental practice. There were no monetary inheritances from our parents but we are so appreciative of the wonderful inheritance of caring and sharing learned from loving families and superb mentors and teachers.

Patti and I joined Rotary and quickly recognized the strength of this organization. What better place than Rotary is there to be involved in service? Involved not only locally, but also internationally. It is a privilege to be members and to share what we've learned and earned.

Are there opportunities in life to "give back"? Rotary International gives us that opportunity. What better place is there than The Rotary Foundation to give back?

We are honored and so proud to be Rotarians. Thank you Rotary, Eddie and Patti

Moapa Valley Rotary Club

BALANCE SHEET

August 18, 2006

Checking/Savings	
Assisted Living Check Card	352.44
Assisted Living Savings	25.29
Bank Of America Checking	4,447.06
Moapa Valley Rotary Checking	1,602.18
Moapa Valley Rotary Savings	25.01
Scholarship Foundation CD	67,217.18
Scholarship Foundation Savings	732.31
[Outstanding member dues 1,400.00]	
TOTAL CHECKING/SAVINGS	74,401.47

AUGUST Business Report Notes

Induct New Members: President James called new members Lori Waters, (proposed by Dave Cook) and Kenny Rodgers, (by Bruce Hollinger) and they were pinned and **WELCOME LORI and KENNY.....**

Membership Vote: Unanimously APPROVED Club had one month to contemplate the application of Jill Williams and first order of business was the Clubs approval and welcome to Rotary Club of Moapa Valley.

Change of Meeting Location : PASSED - 9 to 8 After a couple of meetings at the **NEW** Old Gym in Overton, many members have expressed interest in moving. Discussion and clarification regarding verbal agreement with OLSHACS and \$1,200 for 10 Years was the consensus. Now, Old Gym in Overton will provide place for our "s tuff" and James will assure that tables are set up each week. BEGINNING SEPT. 6th, Rotary Breakfast Meeting will be at the Old Gym in Overton. **PLEASE HELP PASS THE WORD.**

NEXT MEETING IS Teacher Appreciation : August 23rd MVHS Cafeteria Pres James asks for help and Lori speaks up to chair the event. Members are reminded to GO TO THE HIGH SCHOOL for our 6:30 meeting. Serving the teachers begins at 8 am, and we need members for servers, cooks and bottle-washers (haha)

Identify Three Main Programs to Fund: James throws out an idea to contemplate designating just 3 items in the budget to support leaving any other requests to decide if funds are available. A plea to the club to help with applying for Rotary Grants. It is extremely possible that all of our good programs would qualify for matching funds. 1. **PASSED** Assisted Living yearly budget to increase by \$1,000.00. 2. **PASSED with REVISIONS** Joining with other groups in hosting a "St Johns Church Building Fundraiser". No Club funds will be used. 3. **TABLED:** Old Overton Gym will be a guest speaker and offer a variety of ways Rotary can help with their needs for the coming year.

Educational Grants Reduced to Match the Yearly Earned Interest: PASSED Grant Committee will reduce the number of grants and will use only the interest earned from our Foundation CD and not adding monies from our general fund. An approximation of our yearly contribution (to bring total to \$5,000) is \$400.

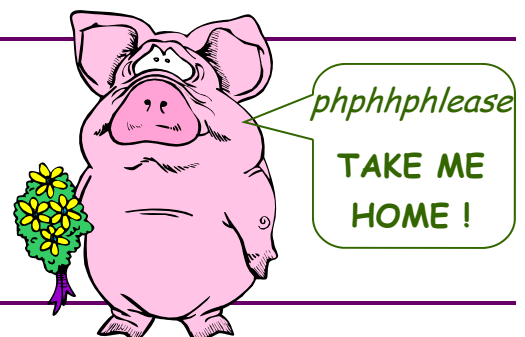
Raise Yearly Membership Dues: FAILED...the club decided rather than raise dues, to present the opportunity for members to drop money each week into a "Club Piggy Bank". Discussion also that our club socials and celebrations would remain the expense of members and use no club funds.

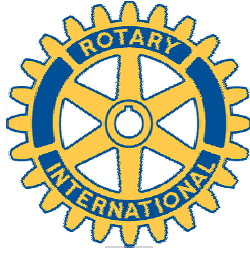
Scholarship Foundation Fundraiser: Glen and Alice have set early next year (February) to conduct this program, whose proceeds will increase our Foundation. Members will set a **minimum** goal of \$100.00 each in contributions and/or sales and are encouraged to solicit items for Door Prizes. (more info to come....)

That is all that I can remember OR have room for..till later. cg

There is still some "Choice" Pig left, some JUST FOR YOU!

- 5) 10 POUND BOX PRECOOKED SAUSAGE PATTIES \$20
- 12) POUND GROUND SAUSAGE \$2 each
- 6) POUND BACON \$2 each





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*Any questions regarding recruiting
new members - call Dave at 397-2600*

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to:

- become connected to your community;
- interact with other caring individuals in addressing community needs;
- assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts;
- establish contacts with an international network of caring individuals
- develop leadership skills; and
- involve family in service efforts

*Join us for Breakfast EVERY Wednesday BEGINNING September
at Old Overton Gym (Middle School on Thomas Street) 6:30 A.M.*

From People To People International

Dwight D. Eisenhower Founder

Dear INTERACT CLUB of Moapa Valley High School,

July 17, 2006

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your donation of supplies in support of Operation Iraqi Children. We are extremely excited about the benefits that this program will bring to the children of Iraq.

You will be interested to know that, to date, approximately 200,000 school kits have been delivered to Iraq. This program has been well received by the Iraqi children and their parents—they are very appreciative. I would invite you to take a few moments to visit the website to view some of the heart-warming photos and read about some of the wonderful stories at www.operationiraqichildren.com

Your donation of supplies will be sincerely appreciated by the children and the parents of Iraq. No goods or services were received in exchange for your donation. You may retain this letter for your federal income tax report.

Your Partner in Peace, Mary Jean Eisenhower President and CEO

From Operation Iraqi Children

Helping Soldiers Help Children

Twelve million thanks to you for your contribution of supplies to Operation Iraqi Children. We say twelve million because that is approximately the number of children that will ultimately be helped in OIC's effort to help soldiers help children. The population is twenty-four million, and over half of the people are under age 18.

We want to personally thank you for your generous gift. Not only for the tangible value that the children will realize, but also for the part of yourself that you give in your care and concern. The children are the ones that are caught in the cross fire. By sending the supplies we are also reminding our troops that we have not forgotten that they need our support and that we want to help the children. We thank you for the dignity you are helping to restore, and for giving the children of Iraq a chance to learn, grow, and flourish. With heartfelt gratitude and a "Welcome" to the OIC family, we are, sincerely,
Laura Hillenbrand, Co-Founder Gary Sinise, Co-Founder