



Meeting on January 27, 2010

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Our weekly meeting opened the Pledge of Allegiance led by **President Kourtney Kennedy**.

Visiting Rotarians/Guests: **Amanda Wirtz**, from Savoy, Illinois. Mira Mesa High School Interact Club members: **Danson Nguyen, Henry Quach, Kevin Lang, Jason Chang, William Quach, Idil Dalmer, Chris Tran** and **Shaina Razon**. **Dana Dattola** was a guest of **Kelly Weaver**.

Happy Bucks:

Kourtney Kennedy had \$2 to celebrate her new job she is starting on Monday. **Andy Scrimger** had \$3 because he just finished the sets at the theater; unfortunately he has to start on the ones for the next play tomorrow. **Brittany Catton** had \$4 to thank those who helped sing on Saturday at the convention. **Jackie Cooper** had \$2 because she made it through two investigations. **Bob James Jr.** had \$5 to share a story of how he got his new iPad (it really was just a mouse pad) while the next \$1 was from **Alan Cox** hoping he could get the last 60 seconds back. **Amanda Wirtz** had \$1 because she got to jam on her electric violin, \$1 for a presentation she is giving tomorrow at UCSD that she has been working on for years, and \$1 because Interact is here.

Recent Events:

Rotary's International Convention was last Saturday. **Liz Raines** and **Brittany Catton** gave a great presentation. **Brian Kirk** and **Kourtney Kennedy** were also there and together they all sang "Celebrate" for the crowd. Every district governor in the world was there to attend training sessions at the Grand Hyatt downtown.

The Girl Scouts Cookie Kick-Off was a great success last Sunday. **Kelly Weaver** was in charge of an 8 foot Jenga Wall the girls got to build. Cookies will be here starting Saturday!

Eddie Miller and **Jennifer Woodard** did the Meals on Wheels route on Saturday. Everyone was happy to see them and grateful for their meals.

Fundraising:

We need to start planning for our Bowling event, which will be held May 22. The fundraising committee, with **Liz Raines** as its new chair, will be meeting the 2nd Wednesday every month after the meetings to start the planning. Think about what you can round up for raffle prizes!

There will be another Pub Quiz coming soon.

We will be having another "Shots for Shots" fundraiser on February 16, at Maloney's Tavern. See the Upcoming Events section for more information.

Foundation Minute:

Eddie Miller told us how the Foundation is reducing Childhood death by installing sanitation stations and toilets in Sir Lanka. He also read us a piece from the Rotarian about what keeps the foundation going. "Every Rotarian, Every Year"



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RYLA:

Jennifer Simmonson wanted to let us know that interviews for this year's club sponsored RYLA members will be 12:45 at Canyon Crest Academy this Friday. We will be interviewing 4 contestants for 2 spots. Everyone is welcome to come and participate.

Service Minute:

- February 27 is our next Meals on Wheels.
- **Kelly Weaver's** Dad's Rotary club is going down to work on an orphanage in Tijuana January 30. Any members interested in tagging along are more than welcome. Contact Gary or Kelly for more information.
- February 14 is the Valentine's Day party for the families of deployed personnel. Volunteers will help with sign in, food prep, crafts and games for 200 military spouses and children of deployed soldiers. There will be two shifts, 11 to 1 and 1 to 3. The event will be held at the USO San Diego Downtown Center, 303 A Street Suite 100. Contact **Brittany Catton** with any questions.
- April 24 is Rotarian's at Work Day. Everyone mark your calendars.

Membership Minute:

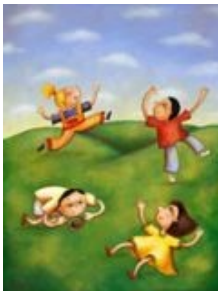
Rotary 101 will be held February 13 from 10-noon at **Zeb and Geraldine Evans's** house. All new members who have not yet attended a Rotary 101 should be there. If you can't make it talk to **Bob James Jr.**

Who Am I: Alan Cox

Alan is our 2010-2011 President-Elect. He was a charter member of the club, and since most of our members weren't around when he did his first Who Am I, he has been asked to do another (very last minute he says). His parents were from Liverpool. He was born in Canada, then moved to Milwaukee, and in 1980 ended up in San Diego. He became a US citizen in 1988. He went to SDSU where he met **Bob James Jr.** He plays the trumpet. He presented a slide show to show us some of his family and friends.

Upcoming Events:

- PrePETS & President Elect orientation will be January 30, 2010
- We're having another Happy Hour Friday, February 5th at Beaumonts in Bird Rock. Click the link to check the place out: <http://www.beaumontseatory.com/>
- Valentine's Day service project for military families on February 14.
- We will be having another "Shots for Shots" fundraiser on February 16, at Maloney's Tavern. **Chris Stoops** needs to put together a list of members and guests who plan on attending. The list will be submitted to the Gaslamp Association by his manager so that we can get into the Mardi Gras event without paying the entrance fee. Chris needs this information no later than February 3. Maloney's will be providing the \$2 Jell-o Shots in Mardi Gras colors and the proceeds will be donated to our club's Polio Plus Program. Also they will be serving jambalaya during the event in addition to the other menu items. Chris will provide information regarding parking and the entrance gate closer to the event. Please RSVP to Chris as soon as possible. Contact him with any questions you may have about this event.



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Guest Speaker:

Patti Garcia introduced our speakers for the evening from the Mira Mesa Interact club, which we sponsor. The club was recently chartered with 30 members. **Idil Dalmar** and **Danson Nguyen** who are members of the club will also be Model UN Representatives this year. The clubs board members were introduced: President **Henry Quach**, Vice President **Jason Chung**, Secretary **Kevin Lang** and Treasurer **Danson Nguyen**.

They started the club two years ago. For the first year they were just trying to figure out what they were supposed to be doing. In 2009, our club stepped in as their sponsoring club and has tried to help to give them some direction. Their meetings go pretty much the same as ours do. They meet every Tuesday at lunch, while they are not required to have weekly meetings; it's just easier to remember if it's every week. They require their members to have open minds, attend meetings, and put effort into improving the community. In 2008 they volunteered at the Sandburg Elementary Beautification Day, in 2009 they volunteered at both the Tet Festival (a cultural festival held at their school) and the Sandburg Elementary Fall Festival. They also participated in the Music Instrument drive and a Teddy Bear Drive. For Fundraising they have recently been selling candy at school, and estimate profits to be \$400, which they will use for various club activities. They are excited about the upcoming Model UN. **Idil Dalmar** told us about her participation last year. Originally from Somalia, she helped Torrey Pines High School with their presentation.

Raffle:

Raffle tickets were sold this week by **Andy Scrimger**. **Jackie Cooper** was the lucky winner this week, winning \$3!

Next Raffle Jackpot Amount = over \$1100!!

The meeting was concluded with a toast.

January Birthdays:

January 21 – **Eddy Miller**

February 1 – **Jackie Cooper**

What is Rotary doing for Haiti?

Check out the link to find out all that is going on.

http://rotary.org/en/MediaAndNews/News/Pages/100113_news_haitirelief.aspx

Next Week's Program:

Believing in the power of theatre to startle the soul, ignite debate and embrace the diversity of the community in which it serves, Cygnet Theatre Company is fearlessly committed to the dissection, examination and celebration of the human story through the medium of live theatre. Veronica Murphy, Development Director of the San Diego's Cygnet Theatre will tell us about the company and their 2010 plans.

Remember [all photos](#) for the La Jolla New Generations Rotary Club can be easily found at:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/LaJollaNewGenerationsRotary>

