

## TODAY

We welcome local resident and children's author **DIANE ADAMS** who is here to talk about her newest book, *I Can Do It Myself*. Hmmmmm, sounds like our **PREZ** at times.

## LAST WEEK

It was wonderful to meet and talk with the GSE SWEDEN '09 team. These two young women and men were affable and effective communicators of the international purpose and intent behind Rotary's GSE. It was also a pleasure to have **ERICKA SMITH**, whom our Club is sponsoring for GSE USA to Sweden, join us. Rumors have it that the **WANER** marriage is still in good form, that the events of social jollification went well, and that **DON McCUE** has not been offered a hockey contract in Stockholm.

## NEXT WEEK

**DR. MICHAEL HUGHES**, Head of Valley Prep School will give an overview of the campus.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **REV HIGH SCHOOL** (the one in the county) **INTERACT** is asking for support for their fund-raiser. **JULIE** and **TAYLOR** were here last week, noting that it is for a variety of serious illnesses caused by auto immune deficiency. **DAVE MAUPIN** asks that we join the May 1 gathering at the 66er stadium in San Bernardino. This effort to bring and host teens and adults with disabilities begins with dinner at 6pm. Join the bus over or get their on you own. Cost is \$22 per person. This is part of a District sponsored grant and **DAVID** has promised a good turnout from our boys and girls in the Club.

Congratulations to **BARRETT BURNS** of **REV** and **MICHAEL DIAZ** for their selection as Students of the Month. How proud we are of them and all who receive this recognition!

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Our speaker today is children's author, **DIANE ADAMS**. Of all the assets in Redlands, the finest are the people. In 1998 our family of four with one on the way moved here from Loma Linda. We were fortunate to land on a street surrounded by welcoming and kind families. One of those kind neighbors was the **ADAMS** family; husband **SCOTT**, wife **DIANE** and young son (at the time) **CHRIS**. A few months after moving in we had our third child, **EMILY**, who's outgoing nature over time appropriately earned her the nickname, **EMILY the Brave**.

Not that **DIANE ADAMS** needed or wanted a daughter, but **EMILY the Brave** was like a stray pet that wouldn't go away. **DIANE** was always gracious, welcoming, kind and encouraged little **M's** curiosity. Over the years a special relationship blossomed. In addition to other artistic pursuits, **DIANE** has had two children's books published. Her first book, *Zoom*, is a story about her son and husband. Her recently released book, *I Can Do It Myself*, describes the tales of a precocious little girl named **Emily Pearl**. Friends and neighbors come no better than **DIANE ADAMS**.

*Neal Waner*

## HEARD ON THE STREET . . .

**CAL BOOTHBY** has done well by us and GSE, it's good to have him associated with the District and all that he does for it and Rotary on the large scale. Well, we "exchange" **PETER BRANDT** with **VICKI**. Not a bad trade. Welcome, **VICKI**. The other night seemed to be Rotary night at the Tartan. **RALPH FELLER**, bring your club roster . . . or do we get makeups????? The editor doesn't know your definition of scary but his is: **PAUL GRANILLO** and **RAY WATTS** in your office together, asking for something . . . **JIM NOLIN** does us well with his student of the month presentations. There is a good deal of work behind this. As a matter of fact, here's an editorial salute to all of you who make this Club work well and accomplish so much for our local and greater world community.

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