

## TODAY

Box lunches and a tour of the soon-to-be-operative Citrus Valley High School that will not include a visit to the future 4H Club site on the Disparte farm. Time flies -- it doesn't seem that long ago that we had a similar program at the then new Redlands East Valley High School...

## LAST WEEK

ALISON ROALL of the United States Tennis Association – Southern California Section gave an interesting talk on her role in implementing or expanding public and private tennis programming. It was news to our table that tennis is the fastest growing of the “traditional” sports. Redlands is well served with the longstanding Redlands Racquet Club along with two other programs run under the City's auspices, Redlands Youth Tennis and Redlands Junior Tennis Center.

## NEXT WEEK

CHRIS DIGGS, City of Redlands Water Resources Manager, will give the program and perhaps **MARK BULOT** can warm him up with the same question that he posed to the birthday table last week.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

You can still buy tickets to The Redlands Symphony 2009 Gala but time is short since the Gala is this Saturday. For the price of admission you will get to see **Prez NEAL WANER**, **MARTHA GREEN** and **ZACK TUCKER**'s wife **BERANGERE** cutting the rug in a “Dancing with the Stars” competition and 2008 Symphony Board members **ALLAN GRIESEMER**, **LYNDA SCHAUF**, **BRUCE SATZGER**, **DAVE MAUPIN**, **ZACK TUCKER** and **DELLITA KOBOLD** sporting formal attire. As a special incentive, outgoing **Prez NEAL WANER** and incoming **Prez ALLAN GRIESEMER** have agreed to waive fines for anyone who attends the Gala.

While you won't get exemption from fines, you will get fun in the sun at Redlands Community Hospital's 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic June 18<sup>th</sup> at Redlands Country Club. June 18<sup>th</sup> is a Thursday so look for **JIM HOLMES**, **BILL HATFIELD**, **RON JEFFREY**, **BOB HODGES**, **MARVIN HUDSON**, **ZACK TUCKER**, **LARRY PYLE** and **STAN WEISSER** to be conspicuously absent from Rotary (hopefully **BOB HODGES** will have requested a travel pass for his absence).

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Attendees to last Saturday's District 5330's annual District Assembly were treated to an extra ordinary keynote speaker. The top brass of Rotary International are the Directors of RI, and the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation. Our speaker was Ron D. Burton, from Norman Oklahoma, who presently is vice chair of the Rotary Foundation. A seasoned and articulate spokesperson for Rotary, in his sincere and homespun manner he talked about the global impact of our Rotary Foundations work.

He discussed the importance of completing the fight against the eradication of Polio. He talked about the \$100 million matching challenge gift from Bill Gates and the Gates Foundation and how each club is encouraged to give at least \$1,000 per year for three years (\$3,000 times 33,000 clubs worldwide gets us to the goal). The first year \$77 million was raised. Gates followed up with a second pledge, this time for \$155 million. So with Gates \$255 million and our collective \$100 million, we are well on the way.

Each of us needs to do our part, hence the reminder **JIM PINDER** sent out last week about fulfilling your individual pledge to RI. Last year members in our District gave just over \$200 per person. This year so far we've given about \$4,600 total or about \$40 per member, which is about half of what we pledged. As we enter the final month of this fiscal year, let's each do our part to support the good work of RI.

*Neal Waner*

## MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Demotion Party for **Prez NEAL** is June 25<sup>th</sup> – please RSVP to **KEN STEIN**.

Ushers are still needed June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Redlands Bowl.

## MEMBER MISCELLANAE

If **FLORIN ROMINU** is absent from today's meeting, no doubt it is because he is strategizing for the assault his AYSO team is going to make on the Boys Under 10 bracket at this weekend's Citrus Classic. **RAY WATTS** has lots of AYSO in his future -- **PAT MEYER** is happy for it to be a disappearing figure in his rearview mirror.