

TODAY

Mark Uffer, Chief Administrative Officer of San Bernardino County, will give a review and update on the County budget and its financial condition. With the bozos in Sacramento planning on confiscating local government's funding, good news is likely to be absent.

LAST WEEK

Lynda Schauf presented "How I spent my Summer Vacation". We got the full pictorial summary compiled with musical accompaniment assisted by spawn of the Worm. The show was replete with lions, jackals and hyenas, OH MY!

Kenya is Lynda's favorite "it's not a destination-it's an EXPERIENCE".

Her experience included twice daily auto safaris or game runs, replete with catered brunch in the Masai Mara (bush). Rather than Elephant walk, **Lynda** enjoyed a Rhino walk, evidently guided by the Rhinocerotidae whisperer (I'll bet those boots are history).

Lynda was really roughing it, having to spend the nights sleeping on 700 thread-count sheets, suffering with dining limited to the four star restaurant within the Mt. Kenya Safari Club, and having to spend time in the company of young, handsome Mara men.

NEXT WEEK

Being the fifth Thursday of the month, as is our tradition, we will have the opportunity to learn of the professional activities of some of our members. Craft Talks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Membership Seminar, August 8 at Harvard on the Hill (Crafton).

Peter Davis continues to seek additional editors for the Spoke. Please contact him if you have a desire to contribute to the unfounded rumors and downright falsehoods perpetrated in this periodical.

DAVE MAUPIN welcomes the donation of any used digital camera in working condition and

preferably with new batteries. The cameras are part of a "Kameras for Kenya" campaign that is a new activity for Q4K organization.

MEMBER MISCELLANAE

You may have noticed **Larry Pyle** in full-shutterbug mode last meeting, in a vain attempt to become the club photographer. He was kind enough to email some of his snaps for inclusion into this edition of the Spoke. Those of you who were captured should appreciate the absence of the pictures on this page. Maybe **Larry the Worm Wormser** could give **Larry the steaming Pyle** photographer some hints on portraiture.

Looks like **Jim Braswell** is doing his best to keep the Redlands city planning department staff busy enough to avoid layoffs during the current dearth of new development.

ALLAN'S AVENUE

An International Rotary convention is an exceptional way for a new President to begin his/her year of service to the organization and the community. As Nancy said in her thank you note, which she read to the Club on our auspicious first day, it was an honor to be given the opportunity and experience. The city of Birmingham had been the site of the Rotary Convention in 1984, and in 1921, the first to be held outside of the United States. Therefore it was fitting that the 100th Convention should return to the site of its first overseas endeavor. The meetings were as enlightening as always, and the speakers inspirational. Two extraordinary humanitarians addressed the total body of attendees, (16,000) Mia Farrow, and Jane Goodall. Both spoke passionately about the world dilemma – exceptional wealth in some areas, and equally exaggerated poverty in others. This could have been a depressing message, but it was not, for each woman spoke of the miraculous responses to world poverty and disease they have witnessed, through the efforts of Rotary and many other humanitarian organizations. The need is still great, three billion people on this planet still live on less than \$2 a day, but progress is being made.