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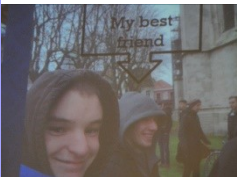
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November is Rotary Foundation month

A Belgium Exchange

Logan Cunningham, son of Rotarian Janice Cunningham, has returned from his year studying abroad in Belgium and shared his stories and photos with our club.

Logan wisely said that when an exchange student leaves home they not only say goodbye their families. They also say goodbye to their, “language, family, culture, everything [they] know”. It’s a challenging situation for a young adult to face alone, and Logan did so gracefully.



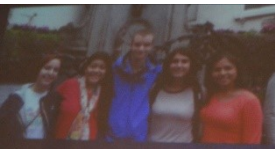
Logan in the rain

He shared many stories from his year, starting with what he called the “Honeymoon” phase. This consisted of the first few weeks in Belgium with his host family while they explored and played in his new home. Then the real work began as he started school and learned he was in a very difficult situation. He had more to learn about the language, to start with, and even finding the school was an adventure on day-1. Did you know it rains every night in Belgium? According to Logan, that’s the case!



A decorated traveler

After getting over being homesick, Logan made many life-long friends and memories he will always treasure. Photos of his trip included his travels, his friends, and his adventures. His excursions took him to Newport, Belgium several times, as well as London, Austria, and bike riding in south Belgium.



Logan & friends

Logan ended his presentation by presenting a flag to our club from the Rotary Club in Belgium that hosted him. Thank you for sharing your adventures with us, Logan!

| Rotary Calendar | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| November 3 | Veteran’s Day Program |
| November 10 | Steve Soloman |
| November 17 | Paul Vienneau Shasta Land Trust |
| November 24 | Thanksgiving—Dark |

Rotary Service Award



Chuck Ryan presented with
Rotary Service Award

Kristy Lanham & Karen Hoyt presented the Rotary Service Award and shared its history with our club. "Vocational service motivates and energizes us. Vocational service is the very essence of Rotary", said Kristy.

The Rotary Service Award recipient was Past President and Paul Harris Fellow Chuck Ryan! Chuck's 50 years of professional experience in Shasta County have benefited the community and his family in many ways.

Karen read many of Chuck's accolades earned over his years in Redding including his work at Mercy Hospital. Thank you, Chuck, for your many years in Rotary, and your many services to our community!

The Rotary Service Award Committee, led this year by Cindy Fisher, acknowledged many honorable mentions given this year. They requested the Club as a whole submit more nominations for next year.

Harry Grashoff, Banker Extraordinaire

Harry has a vast history in service clubs. He is a Past President of the Airport Lions Club, Westchester, Ca -1966-1971. He joined Rotary in the Sacramento Main Club in September, 1975. He served on the Board of Directors from 1977- 1981. Harry transferred to the Rotary Club of Redding in 1981. He served two terms on the Board of Directors and was a member of numerous committees over the years.

Harry grew up in Clayton, Mo., a suburb of St. Louis, Missouri. He attended St. Joseph Grade School from 1941-1949. Following grade school Harry attended St. Louis University High School from 1949-1953. Harry was an exceptional athlete and attended St. Louis University 1953-1957 on a baseball scholarship. From there he came to the west coast and attended Stanford University Graduate School of Credit and Financial Management 1971-1973.

Harry was in love and moved to Van Nuys, California in June of 1957 to follow his grade school "Sweetheart", Paula who had moved to California with her family in 1953. The romance continued during his four years of college visiting for a couple of weeks each summer. They were engaged Christmas of 1956, and married in September, 1957. Harry and Paula have four children, Stephen, Debbie, David and Anne. Also there are six grandchildren and three and one half great-grandchildren.



Paula and Harry Grashoff

Harry started his banking career with Citizens National Bank, later merged into Crocker Bank. After joining the bank, he was drafted into the U.S. Army in June of 1958 and served two years in Augsburg, Germany obtaining the rank of Sergeant E-5 in 14 months.

When returning from military service, Harry returned to Crocker Bank and worked his way up the ladder to become Branch Manager. Harry then managed the Westchester Office and the Wilshire-Westwood Office in the L.A. area before being transferred to the Redding office as Vice President and Manager in August of 1972. Two years later he was made Area Manager of 13 Northern

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California offices, eight here in the Valley and five on the West Coast. After a year of considerable traveling, he was promoted to the Sacramento Main office as Manager in 1975. This was the 3rd largest office of Crocker's 378 offices, only San Francisco and Los Angeles Main Offices were larger. After three years as manager he was promoted to Sacramento Regional Manager, responsible for the 20 branch offices in the greater Sacramento Area.

In August of 1981 John Fitzpatrick, Bob Anderson, Dick Green, Lee Salter and several other local businessmen along with Irene Redding asked to meet with Harry. They offered him the opportunity to be President and CEO of a new Bank they were forming. After much thought and consideration with Paula, the decision was made to return to Redding and accept the challenge. They moved back to Redding and after 24 plus years at Crocker Bank, Harry started with Redding Bank of Commerce, October 18, 1981. One year and 4 days later Redding Bank of Commerce opened the doors with 11 full time employees. Today the bank has over \$1 Billion in assets and has over 200 employees.

Harry has several hobbies, with his family being number one. He managed and coached both his boy's and girl's teams. The boys played baseball, soccer and basketball and, being three years apart, it was a real challenge for both Paula and Harry to attend games, practices, meals and meet schedules. There is no doubt it was all worth the time and effort. The girls played basketball and softball; hectic times but great times. They also enjoyed camping, hiking fishing and finally traveling in an RV with the family all up and down the West Coast, California, Oregon and Washington.

"Traveling is another one of our favorite things to do. Cruise trips, Hawaii, Europe many of the states and State and National Parks within the U.S.," says Harry.

Giving back to the communities that they are and were a part of is very important to the Grashoff's. Paula, with volunteering for schools and churches, and Harry in the communities. "I have been a board member of many organizations such as the Heart Association, Cancer Society, School Boards, Church Boards, Little League President, Community Chest/United Way," reported Harry. "The one I am proudest of is my involvement for 38 uninterrupted years of service with the Sisters of Mercy of Auburn. It includes 10 years on the Mercy Hospital Board, four years of which I was Chairman of the Board. This was when Mercy was run by the Sisters. Then I was a charter member of the Mercy Foundation North Board. Harry was also on the Foundation Board in Sacramento while working there and being the Chairman of Campaign 2000, in 1975 to raise 2 million dollars for Mercy General Hospital. The result of that effort raised \$2.2 million."

Harry's greatest moments are marrying Paula, having their four children, six grandchildren, and three great-grand kids. Other proud moments were pitching batting practice to the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team, winning the St. Louis Junior City Championship Baseball League and being named the #1 pitcher on the city All Star Team.



Harry on his 80th birthday with Paula and their four children.

Harry was chosen the Redding Business Man of the Year in 1995. He has also received the Mercy Foundation North Distinguished Service Award in 2005. Rotary highlights include service to others. Thanksgiving Day Baskets, building the fence and playground for Women's Refuge, Camp Royal-Grab bag sessions and many other project.

Harry's advice to all new Rotarians—GET INVOLVED. There are many areas in which to serve.

Second Reading of Rotary Election Candidates

Past President Dave Gerard read the list of candidates for this year's Rotary Club of Redding elections as follows:

- President Elect—Greg Dunbar
- Secretary—Erik Poole
- Treasurer—Trudy Tavares

Consideration for Board of Directors:

- Dar Barzin
- Teresa Adams
- Sherri Downard
- Todd Davis

Weekly Recognitions

Trudy Tavares congratulated Kim Christofferson for her third year working for Rotary Club of Redding and donated \$200 to Paul Harris Polio + in her honor. Ron Reynolds and his wife took a cruise to Alaska where they stopped in a gold rush town. Ron gave \$500 to Polio + for sharing his bawdy tale! Dar Barzin re-donated the \$200 he had originally spent on the cancelled Lobster Feed admission to Polio + in honor of Todd Davis and his amazing commitment to AV during our weekly meetings. Thanks everyone!

Pat Corey - A Sign of the Times

You may already be very familiar with Pat Corey and his wife, Bernice. If you aren't, you most certainly are familiar with their work. It would only require you to have passed by a Black Bear Diner anywhere in the western states, or perhaps one of the many gas station or Hotel signs that their company has been responsible for manufacturing. From the smallest printed sign to the most elaborate electronic giant, McHale Sign Company does everything for your visual branding needs.

McHale Sign Company was founded in 1974 by Jerry McHale, Redding resident and Bernice's father. Pat, Bernice's high school boyfriend at the time, started helping Jerry in 1976, which means that Pat just reached 40 years with the company. In the early days, it was a small shop with only two or three employees, and Pat helped in every facet of the business; fabrication, service, truck-driving and anything else that was necessary to keep the business going. In 1979, Pat and Bernice were married and their wedding present was a portion of the company. Although they didn't know it at the time, they were also being gifted the potential for great success and a business that would support their family for generations.



3707 Electro Way, Redding

During the years when Pat and Jerry were partners, you might find McHale signs all over the North State - and many of those signs are still there such as the Marie Calendars and Logan's Roadhouse signs on Hilltop. In 1995, when Jerry retired, Pat purchased the rest of the business and through hard work, community involvement and building relationships, Pat would expand the company outside the local area and now you might find McHale signs and branded facades all over the western United States.

They grew so large they needed a larger location, so around 1999, they moved to their current location on Electro Way. If you were to visit McHale Sign you might be surprised at how large it is, and how much they do here in Redding. There is room for their 20-or-so employees (including his son and daughter-in-law who are being groomed for their turn operating McHale sign), a yard for

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their boom trucks and an interior warehouse where you might see a sign the size of an entire wall, set with LED lights and being programmed to tell you how much your gas will cost. When it comes to these new electric signs, the electronic panels come from elsewhere, but it is up to Pat and his crew to install them, train themselves on how to operate them, troubleshoot any issues and then train the client on how to use them. On my visit, I saw one of these new high-tech signs destined for the city of Anderson - so Pat is instrumental on bringing technology to our little community.

If you were to ask Pat what has contributed to his success, he is quick to thank the community and cite the benefits of good Karma. It has been a cycle for the Corey family - the community has been good to them, so he and Bernice have made sure to give back; and he does his part to keep that cycle going. It also comes down to the amount of time Pat contributes to Redding and the surrounding areas- when he isn't working for his own business, he is involved in a project or helping any number of other organizations, including Rotary. Pat is a Past President of our club, serving during the 2008-2009 year; he has also been a board member on the Builder's Exchange, Chamber of Commerce, the Fire Board and the EDC Board where he is currently the Chairman for his second term.

With Thanksgiving coming up, Pat will be assisting Rotary with our meal box distribution as he has for years. Members will clear out his warehouse, build boxes, receive food and then pack them for distribution to families in need of a Holiday dinner. If you haven't had a chance to participate, it is a feel-good project for our club and Pat enjoys being able to lend a hand with the use of his business.



The Corey Family

What about fun? When he gets a chance, you will never find Pat in front of a TV, but always outside hunting and fishing. He also loves having his children and grandchildren close; family photos sit on his desk and you can tell how proud and happy his family make him feel.

Thank you, Pat, for all that you have done for our Club and for the community!

Blood Source Donates to Rotary

Joe Ayer and Todd Jones from Blood Source presented a \$100 check to the Rotary Club of Redding in recognition of the many donations the club made this year. Those donations were primarily made by Dar Barzin, who donated no less than 21 times this year alone!

Blood Source is a community-based, not-for-profit blood center provides blood and services throughout Northern and Central California.

November Member Anniversaries

| Member Anniversaries | Start Date | Years | Years(P) | Total |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Drennan, Gerald M (GERALD) | 11/01/79 | 37 | 0 | 37 |
| Fitch, Stephen (STEPHEN) | 11/04/93 | 23 | 0 | 23 |
| Jimenez, Eva (EVA) | 11/12/15 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Johannessen, K. Maurice (K. MAURICE) | 11/11/04 | 12 | 16 | 28 |
| Streeter, Noble M. (NOBLE) | 11/14/68 | 48 | 0 | 48 |

November Wedding Anniversaries

| Wedding Anniversaries | Partner's Name | Anniversary | Years |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------|
| Adams, Teresa N (TERESA) | Greg | 11/01 | 13 |
| Darling, Jeff (JEFF) | Rhonda | 11/02 | 14 |
| Dunlap, John C (JOHN) | Pat | 11/27 | 26 |
| Hill, Rick (RICK) | Pam | 11/26 | 39 |
| Tate, James D (JAMES) | Yuvonne | 11/16 | 44 |

November Birthdays

| Member Birthdays | Birthday |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Anthis, Keli (KELI) | 05 November |
| Ayer, Joe (JOE) | 24 November |
| Blodget, Rush M (RUSH) | 03 November |
| Burris, Douglas S. (DOUGLAS) | 23 November |
| Chapin, James D. (JIM) | 30 November |
| Cibula, Mark (MARK) | 02 November |
| Cresto, Joseph A (JOSEPH) | 28 November |
| Domke, Ross (ROSS) | 07 November |
| Downard, Sherrie (SHERRIE) | 04 November |
| Dunbar, Greg (GREG) | 23 November |
| Fry, Duane (DUANE) | 24 November |
| Gerard, David S. (DAVE) | 11 November |
| Hedayatzadeh, Joseph (JOSEPH) | 28 November |
| Jeter, Lisa (LISA) | 04 November |

| Member Birthdays | Birthday |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Kehoe, David (DAVID) | 16 November |
| Lees, Larry (LARRY) | 10 November |
| McElvain, Courtney (COURTNEY) | 15 November |
| Preston, Tracy (TRACY) | 28 November |
| Price, Judy (JUDE) | 23 November |
| Putnam, Richard Scott (SCOTT) | 09 November |
| Salter, Judith E. (JUDY) | 10 November |
| Starman, Kurt (KURT) | 16 November |
| Stovall, Karen (KAREN) | 03 November |
| Streeter, Noble M. (NOBLE) | 23 November |
| Tam, Edward W (ED) | 27 November |
| Ward, Amelia Delatorre (AMELIA) | 15 November |
| Williams, Aaron (AARON) | 16 November |

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