

Rotations

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Meetings:
Thursdays 12:15 pm
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Our first meeting in August found our club on our second annual field trip to visit the Lafayette Summer Jazz Workshop at the Stanley School. This one week event, co-founded by fellow Rotarian Mo Levich and instructor Bob Athayde, is presented by "Generations in Jazz" and is celebrating its 13th anniversary. This year, the camp hosts 192 students, 41 faculty and 24 jazz combos.



Our day started at 10:45 am with an introduction by co-founder Bob Athayde. Bob introduced the Jazz Camp and spoke about the Julia Burke Foundation, which is the largest provider of scholarships for the event.

On our tour, our first stop was to visit a class taught by Kristin Korb, noted Jazz bassist and recording artist. We found Kristin encouraging her student saxophonist Ricky find his groove using the jazz classic "Don't be Sorry". Her techniques was to ask Ricky to choose three notes from the E-flat blues scale and to concentrate on finding his groove using only those three notes and allowing him to concentrate on the feel and flow of the music.

Our next stop was to visit Guitarist Mike Ramos' class where we heard a combo working on "Satin Doll", featuring two saxophones, drums, bass, keyboards, a trumpet and guest bassist Andy Noyes, a local Ear Nose and Throat Specialist. By observing the students, the faculty and the guests, it's clear the Jazz camp is enjoyed by enthusiasts of all ages - the young; the close-to-young, and the young at heart.

Our last stop found us listening to instruction on Jazz Improvisation taught by returning instructor and trombonist Wayne Walker. Wayne is a noted SJSU instructor and long time recording artist, with discography dating back to the early 1980's. Our group found Wayne encouraging improvisational solos first from the student guitarist, and then the drummer, while instructor John Santos provided additional percussion on the Congas.

Just before our lunch of tri-tip steak, chicken, salads, and dessert, provide by Chef's Touch, we were treated to a short performance from the Fellowship Combo, which is a group of former jazz camp graduates, and led by Dan Pratt.

Overall, the afternoon was a treat for music lovers and jazz enthusiasts and a great way for our Rotarians as well as local community leaders and other guests to enjoy a summer morning in Lafayette.

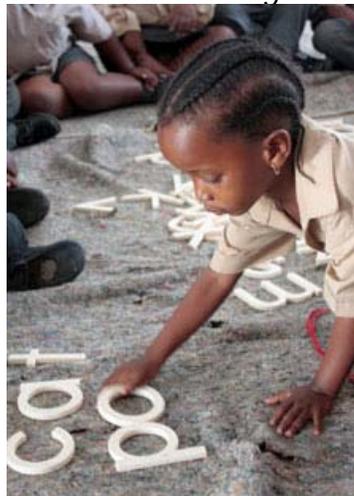
The Jazz camp wraps up on Friday August 5th with combo performances from 3:30-8:30pm that are sure to delight the ears of the community.

Next week, we'll be back at Oakwood for our regular meeting.

Rotary International News

Where angels tread

by Stephen Yafa
The Rotarian -- August 2011



A student arranges letters to form words at Ilitha. *Photo by Rachel Craig*

Every day, 85 children file into a shed made of sheet metal, stack their backpacks neatly on the floor along one wall, and take their seats at brightly painted desks arranged in a circle. To them, this sparse enclosure is no shed at all – it's school.

Surrounding the structure and two adjacent ones is a high fence that secures the grounds. The school stands amid 10 square miles of one-room shanties that make up Khayelitsha, an impoverished township just outside Cape Town, South Africa. [read story.](#)

Other News:

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:
 1. Is it the TRUTH?
 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Give Hope - Give A Hand

The Rotary Club of Lafayette donates an LN-4 Prosthetic Hand in the name of our speakers each week. The LN-4 Prosthetic Hand transforms lives and empowers those who have lost hands and limbs due to land mines, birth defects, and other catastrophes.



Make Up Meetings

and locations of nearby clubs:
<http://rotary5160.org/clubs/where-clubs-meet/>

Club Calendar

Upcoming Speakers

- 8/11 Ed Stevenson - Tournament of Roses Parade
- 8/18 open
- 8/25 open
- 9/1 Emergenthorizon- Volker Frank Youth Homes - Project in
- 9/8 Lafayette Stuart McCullough, Executive Director

Local & District Events

Rotary International Events

Birthdays

- 08/02 Terry Ring
- 08/26 Mike Henn

Anniversaries

- 08/01 Larry Blodgett
- 08/08 Barry Toomajian
- 08/12 Mary Claire
- 08/14 Alan Mac
- 08/14 Ed Stokes
- 08/15 Troy Feddersen
- 08/17 Troy Winkles
- 08/19 Jay Lifson
- 08/20 Bob Shusta
- 08/23 Daniel Baker

Greeters

- 8/11 Lisa Cohen
- 8/18 Debbie Cooper



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