

WAITAKERE NEWS



In light of there being no Bulletin Editor, this is a brief account of what we've been up to this week:

Club Night: The first club night of the new year was a 'Club Projects Night' - Sheena began by sharing RI President Ron Burton's message for the coming year in which he encourages every member to fully engage with Rotary "Engage Rotary - Change Lives" being the theme for 2013/4 year.



Our Director's then took the floor to outline their vision for the coming year: Local projects we're investigating include assisting Swanson School to move their Adventure Playground, installing seating outside Ranui House, and getting the "Green (Mens') Shed" up and running in Waitakere

Vanuatu projects are also in the pipeline, but were to be discussed at the Vanuatu Action groups Meeting which Craiger attended on Saturday.

Dominic, our Sergeant for the evening then gave us a 'taste of things to come' in the coming year, as he shares the role with Mike. (He also reminded us all that apologies for non attendance go to him (Dominic) from now on, rather than Alan.)



❖ We bade the Benzie family 'farewell and happy holidaying' as they left for South America on Sunday,

District Changeover was held at Westlake Girls on Sunday 7th - Sheena attended. Speakers included the GSE Team who recently returned from Korea, having done some great PR work and laid the foundations for on-going relationships between District 9910 and District 3730 (who are keen to do some matching grants with us.) Jen McKenzie also spoke about her recent trip to Japan as a Peace Ambassador - and was one of the two (kiwis) chosen to lay all the paper cranes we made at the Peace Memorial. The messages we heard were 'we have to see peace for what it is, rather than what it isn't' - 'Peace is all around us, but we must open our eyes to see it' - 'Peace is all about listening, and trying to see the other person's point of view.' All good points to bear in mind as we face the year ahead.



Dates to make a note of:

- **Tuesday 23rd July** we have a joint meeting with Kumeu Club - details later.
- **Wednesday 24th July** our student Vincent arrives from Switzerland. (No meeting at Starling Park that night)
- **Thursday 29th August** Trees For Survival Planting Day - all helpers welcome.

Don't forget this week's roster - check below...

- Please come a little earlier to 'set up' if you are a squire 😊

Date: Wednesday 10th July Sharon Davis QSO, Attitude Award Winner 2012 <i>(Please arrange your own replacement if you're not going to be available)</i>	
Meeting Manager	Derek
Sergeant	Mike
Greeter	Linda
Grace	Derek
Squire 1	Bob
Squire 2	Dominic
Thanker	Craiger
Parting Thought	Terry

Vacancy: We have a vacancy for a Bulletin Editor ... please consider whether or not you can commit to doing this job for the year ahead.