MEMORANDUM



<u>President</u> John Hollenbeck

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<u>Secretary</u> <u>Davina Bergin</u>

<u>Treasurer</u> Richard Chafin May 14, 2015

TO: Club Members

FROM: John Hollenbeck

SUBJECT: Sharing of "Thank You Letters" from Creston Elementary Children

(re: Club's Donation of Gardening Tools and Plants)

I am writing to share with you the letters (see below) that I received from the Creston Elementary School children who took time to write lettes of appreciation for the gardening tools and the vegtable and flower plants that our club members donated in response to their request for same through the Bertha Shultz Annual Grant to their school. Our Foundation opted to contribute to their other requested cause, the iPads, and I decided to reach out to our membership to see if we could help them in this other cause of wanting shovels, hula-hoes, plants, brooms, and other gardening items.

I delivered the items to the school late afternoon on a Friday in March. The students had just left on the bus to be taken home, and the teachers were still there. The teachers were so happy and excited to receive these items. At our past club meeting, Dick Chafin (who gets our mail from the Post Office) handed me a large envelope and said "there are thank you letters inside from the kids". Today I sat and read these, and the expressions of their gratitude is so heartwarming – I wanted to share it all with you. The first letter below is written using Braille, and it made me tear as I was impressed by the time taken by a child with vision challenges who may not be able to see the flowers, yet expressed his appreciation for what we do to support them and the school. I shared this with Monica, and her response was this: "It's amazing how many lives you guys can touch with a little money." That sums up quite well the spirit of why we belong to this organization.

Tom Zirk will lead the meeting on Wednesday, May 20th, and I have sent him photos of the kids using the tools to show during the meeting. The teachers had included the photos in the envelope that they mailed to us.

School Rotary Club? Dear Hascadero Thanks for the flowers, and tools hula - hoes for killing weeds, and the snovels for digging soil.

Creston School
1505 O'Donovan RD
April, 14, 2015

Dear Atoccodero Rotary club,
Thankyou for donciting Flowers and
Hula Hoes, Shouls and Burlap we really appreciate

Tools,

Sincerely,

Neydine

Creston School 1505 O'donovan Rd. April 13,2015

Dear Atascadero Rotary, Club,

Thank you for donating the flowers and tools to our amazing: School. It cool because we needed hula hoes and shovels. Now we have enough to each person in our pains group get one. The flower went perfectly in front of the gate. Thank you again for donating the to our school.

Sincerely, Emily Bundy

Creston school
1505 OdonovanRd
Creston, CA 93432
Apirl 13, 2015

Dear Atascadero Rotary Culb

Thank you for all the Flowers, tools and others. Now we can make are school better and more pretty.

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Marissa

Creston School
1505 Odonovara Rd April 13, 2015
Dear Atascadero Rotary Club.
Thank you for the flowers, tools, hula hoes & shovels. They are very helpful to use in our garden. You are very generous for your wonderful donation.
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	Date 4/13/15
	Creston Elementry School
	1505 O Donavan Rd
	Dear Atascadero Rotary Club,
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	you have good took too. It
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	Creston School 1505 O'donaran Rd. Creston CA, 93432 April 13, 2015
:	Dear Atascadiro Rotary Club,
	Thank you so much for the Flowers, tools, and burlap. We can start gardening again. We plan to weed everything then put the weeds in the burlap then plant the flowers.
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	Sincerely,
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Creston School 1505 O'Donovan Roow April 13,2015

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Sincerly, Warren

Creston School 1505000 novan Rd April 13 2015

Dear Atascadero Rotary Club

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Again Thank you.

Sincerly,

Austin McElhaney