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2013 – 2014

1. Susan Beals worked hard to create a new Rotaract Club with Seattle University. SU Rotaract Club had their first fundraiser and they raised over \$5,000 benefiting the homeless and LIHI and other non-profit our club supports
2. We supported numerous International projects including a multi-club water project, Splash in Ethiopia, initiated by South Lake Union club.
3. We continued support of Bailey Gatzert and Christina and the Community service committee created multiple opportunities for field trips with the Mountaineers Club to learn about the outdoors and outdoor survival skill sets.
4. Multiple volunteer opportunities to package food at the Northwest Harvest Food bank in Kent, Wa.
5. Volunteered at Orion House to feed the homeless teenagers several times in the year.
6. Worked to start meetings on time
7. Proud that we were able to add back 5 members and bring our membership back to 48. I feel that we have a strong, energetic club that is diverse in age and ethnicity due to the mix of committed people.
8. We supported the homeless communities shelter on Jackson Street supporting Sharon Lee and her non-profit, Low Income Housing Institute
9. I was proud to create and distribute an e-newsletter recapping the previous meeting as well as announcing upcoming speakers and events, that my assistant, Laurel was in charge of distributing every Tuesday evening which was very well received by our Rotary club and community. Laurel continues in that capacity with our new President, Shannon Woodman.
10. Our Western themed auction was run by Larry and Kathy Mar and was a refreshing change from the formal gala style.
11. We had a Progressive dinner from my house to Susan Beals's house attended by many of the people who had purchased the dinner at the auction. Well attended and enjoyed by all.
12. Membership Chair, Mardie Rhodes and I hosted a fellowship dinner at my house for all the new members who were available, their spouses and board members and their spouses. This event was a nice way for future Rotary leaders to engage with experienced Rotarians in informal environment.
13. Personally, I really enjoyed meeting Rotarians at the International conference in Portugal and the district conferences –I felt these important experiences were energizing for me and I was able to bring that experience and energy back to the club.
14. Right after coming back from Portugal, I was so proud to represent SIDR as a sponsor of the Naturalization Ceremony on July 4<sup>th</sup> at Fisher Plaza. What an amazing and emotional experience it was to be a part of such an important time in people's lives and in American history.
15. Thank you to everyone who served on the 2013-14 Rotary Board—it has been a wonderful experience working together on behalf of our Rotary club.