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Rotary Theme for August:

Membership

Ask a friend to join!

Program: August 15th

Jamshid Damooei

Co-Director, Center for Leadership and Values, CLU

Program: August 8th

Engineering Transportation and Traffic

Robert Sweeting

City of Thousand Oaks traffic engineer



President Herb Gooch introduced **Monica Fuller**, who introduced our speaker, Robert Sweeting. He talked about Traffic Engineering, what it is and how it works.

There are 135 signal lights in Thousand Oaks; about 120 of them also have video detection. There are 22 lights at the on/off ramps, which belong to Caltrans. We have 14 new signals that flash a yellow arrow.

He talked about the wiring, and the timing and coordination of the cycles – which is very complex and involved. Speed limits and how they are set. Signing, striping, traffic control.

The yellow light typically is timed to be one-tenth of the speed limit. 50 miles an hour means 5 seconds of yellow light.

Every emergency vehicle – fire, police, ambulance – has an emitter that can control the signals up to $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile ahead. Moreover, Robert has video monitors in his office that can watch everything real time.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

August 8, 2019



President Herb Gooch opened the meeting, and introduced **Tony Kourounis** for the Inspirational Moment, salute to the Flag, and led

us in singing *America the Beautiful*.



Mike Teasdale introduced our guests today. Out visiting Rotarian was **Skip Roberts**, past president of our club. Our general guests were Merle Jansen, guest of **Mike Jansen**; Curwin Richardson, guest of **Niki Richardson**; and Joel Price, guest of **Monica Fuller**.

Birthdays

Aug 07 Lemmo, Rick
 Aug 11 Steele, Chris
 Aug 13 Masci, David
 Aug 14 Arrasmith, Darin
 Aug 19 Strong, Jennifer
 Aug 20 Diaz, Mario
 Aug 21 Benson, Roger
 Aug 24 Renshall, Sharon
 Aug 26 Overton, Dan
 Aug 29 St. John, Judy
 Aug 31 Kimball, Chris



Anniversaries

Aug 03 Nagel, Norm & Carol
 Aug 04 Donley, Heather & Michael
 Aug 07 Lindberg, Fred & June
 Aug 09 Murphy, Mike & Leslie
 Aug 10 Cabral, Robert & Pelar
 Aug 10 Weaver, Tim & Mary Jane
 Aug 11 Bianchi, Robert & Teri
 Aug 15 Anderson, Martin & Elaine
 Aug 15 Kleiger, Ean & Phoebe
 Aug 18 Arrasmith, Darin & Lydia
 Aug 21 Robings, Jere & Connor, KT
 Aug 23 Nash, Michelle & Shannon

What Rotary Means

The first time I heard of [Rotary] it was a great consolation, and I said to myself, "Now they are beginning to do what is necessary for the future. "

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, Nobel Prize Winner and Rotarian

FINE SESSION

Fine Master David Masci asked a series of questions. He is also looking for Fine Master volunteers for future meetings. Those fined today were **Susan Murata, Tim Weaver, Heather Donley, Nate Harimoto, Pat McCoy, Ken Warner, Paul Dryman, Jennifer Strong, Dave Friedl, Norm Nagel** and **Tony Guevara**.





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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Herb Gooch welcomed **Richard Williams** back from being ill.

Past President Karen Furnari announced that **Mike Jansen** and **Chantal Margottin** were awarded the New Rotarian of the Year last year. **Mike Jansen** being absent today, **Chantal** accepted her award.

Herb Gooch presented a red badge to **Sharon Russell**, and her sponsor **Dave Friedl** pinned it on her and told us a little bit about her.

Susan Murata reminded us that the Wine Event is almost here – just 9 days away. The packaging of the items will be at Carol Schreiber's house on Sunday, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. She pointed out the sheets on the tables of job assignments for the Wine Event on Sunday, August 17. We still need items for the Silent Auction.

Pat McCoy announced a 10-minute meeting in the back room following this meeting of the Economic Forecast committee.

Bob Lewis said that there are still 23 people who have not yet filled out the Club Survey. Please get them to him asap. The Fireside Chats are scheduled for August 29th and 30th. We will be dark on August 29th.

Mike Jansen and **Matt Lallo** announced another trip to Tijuana to visit our sister club. If you would like to go, see **Matt** or **Mike** for details.



Happy \$\$\$\$

Nate Harimoto carried the cup.

Those who shared their good news included **Michelle Nash**, **Tony Guevara**, **Chantal Margottin**, **Doug Messner**, **Carol Freeman**, **Carol Schreiber**, **Jennifer Schwabauer**, **Mike Jansen**, **Maria Prescott**, **Sevak Khodabakhshian**, **Aileen Roberts** and **Monica Fuller**.





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OUR PROUD SERVICE-CONSCIOUS ROTARIANS



Thousand Oaks Rotary Club is again graciously supporting the Safe Passage School Backpack Program. This year it is led by the Thousand Oaks Police Department and by the Conejo Recreation and Park District for the first time.



While our Rotary Club is not the lead this year, our commitment to this wonderful program remains strong. The Club is providing financial support, and hands-on assistance. The event took place Saturday, August 10th at Art Trek, 703 Ventu Park Road, in Newbury Park.

Volunteers in Policing and other agencies were providing volunteers for Saturday's event and **Maria Prescott**, Family of Rotary Chair, gathered the right number of diligent club volunteers (and a spouse or two) to make the project work a well-graced morning.





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PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

58-59 DONN ODELL	89-90 JEFF BORENSTEIN
59-60 JOHN HEYWOOD	90-91 DENNIS GILLETTE
60-61 MARV BURROW	91-92 MERV KOPP
61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	92-93 TOM GLANCY
62-63 ROY McCOMBER	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
63-64 PAUL PACE	94-95 BRIAN BACK
64-65 JOHN CONLAN	95-96 TONY KOUROUNIS
65-66 CARLOS SCURIA	96-97 JACK CAINE
66-67 MERRILL DARLING	97-98 DICK WIELER
67-68 PHIL OZAB	98-99 JUDY ST. JOHN
68-69 WILLIAM VANDERZWANN	99-20 MIKE GONZALES
69-70 ALVIN J. HOTZ, JR.	20-01 NEIL SCRIBNER
70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	01-02 BOB BIERY
71-72 GLENN GOODWIN	02-03 HARRY SELVIN
72-73 GEORGE VASLIEFF	03-04 RICK LEMMO
73-74 HENRY STILL	04-05 DOUG TAPKING
74-75 JOHN TUEL	05-06 KATHY HILL
75-76 KENNETH HANSON	06-07 PETE TURPEL
76-77 DAVID HUANG	07-08 VICKI ARNDT
77-78 WILLIAM HAAS	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
78-79 FELIX MASCI	09-10 KEITH PARKS
79-80 HARLAND JONES	10-11 FRANK CORRIGAN
80-81 DAVE WENDER	11-12 RICHARD WILLIAMS
81-82 GEORGE GIBB	12-13 SUSAN MURATA
82-83 NORMAN NAGEL	13-14 CAROL FREEMAN
83-84 BILL PETERSON	14-15 NATE HARIMOTO
84-85 MIKE O'BEIRNE	15-16 MIKE MURPHY
85-86 MARV SOSNA	16-17 ROBERT BIANCHI
86-87 FRED FERRARINI	17-18 TIM WEAVER
87-88 DOC NEEDHAM	18-19 KAREN FURNARI
88-89 KENNETH (SKIP) ROBERTS	

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