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December:

Disease Prevention and Treatment Month



Program: December 6th

Otto Stoll Award/Many Mansions

Program: November 29th

Cybersecurity

Jacqui Irwin, State Assemblywoman



Assemblywoman Jacqui Irwin noted how great it was to see the community come together in a time of need after the shooting. She praised the bravery of men and women of the sheriff's department. We will survive this, she said, adding that she is working on renaming a section of the 101 freeway in memory of Sgt. Helus, who sacrificed himself for others.

Jacqui has been researching what companies and governments in particular are doing to protect consumers' data. She has passed bills requiring departments to do tests on security of data and fix security holes.

This year she is focusing on areas outside of government. Hackers have been taking down legitimate parts of the internet and attacking other machines trying to access any kind of sensitive data. People are also clicking links allowing attackers on their computers. The humans, she says, are the weakest link.

In taking security of people's information seriously, Jacqui gave several tips, such as using multi-factor authentication, not click on Phishing emails, turning off location services, not using public WiFi, updating devices, encrypting communication, freezing credit reports, and being smarter about passwords. Her handout gave detailed directions for all of these.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

November 29, 2018



President Karen Furnari introduced Tony Guevara to share the Moment of Inspiration. He took a reflection from author Margaret Wheatley and drew the connection to Rotary. He spoke of the incredible value and

meaning of community and said it mirrors the focus of a Rotarian. Afterwards **Nancy Wohl** led us in singing "My country tis of thee."



Niki Richardson introduced **Tim Weaver's** guest Daniel Short, **Marissa Buss's** guest Lindsey Michaels, **Tammie Helmuth's** guests Crystal Evans and Colin Doyle, **Adam Antoniskis's** guest Mami Barnett, and **Carol Robinson's** guest Heather Cousin.



President Karen presented a perfect attendance pin to **Mike Murphy** and a Blue Badge to **Mike Jansen**, who fulfilled his requirements in just a short period of time.



ALERT!

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Program: December 13th

Dr. Jerry Clifford

Physics/Astronomy Professor



Member Birthdays

Dec 04 Baker, Larry
 Dec 09 Handler, Jonathan
 Dec 18 Wender, Dave
 Dec 22 Murata, Susan
 Dec 25 Khodabakhshian, Dr. K
 Dec 26 Doyle, Christal
 Dec 28 Roberts, Skip
 Dec 30 Friedl, Jim

Anniversaries

Dec 03 Corrigan, Frank & Kathy
 Dec 23 Humphrey, Bill & Sandy

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Tim Weaver, Trevor Tyloch and **Betsy Friedman** reminded everyone to sign up for holiday meeting on December 20, including guests, so that the food and tables can be prepared.



Joani Pappas celebrated everyone who volunteered for the storybook project.

Darin Arrasmith reminded members to sign up to bring presents for the Foster children.



Maria Prescott said the Rotary Social coming up on Tuesday would be fun and would give us a chance to get to know one another even more. It would be at the Oaks Mall from 5:30 to 9 PM with the Festival of Trees.





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HAPPY \$\$\$\$

Mike Jansen carried the cup.

Mike, the cup-carrier, started off by putting \$20 into the cup and then announcing the luncheon for the Salvation Army that will be next week.

Eric Harrison said he loved singing at the assisted living center.

Dave Friedl shared that the Rotary Club of Inverness Scotland says hello.

Maria Prescott again mentioned the Rotary Social and the Festival of Trees.

Betsy Friedman also loved performing at the assisted living place with Eric and the others.

Carol Schreiber thanked all who reached out after the fires and assured all that they were OK.

Aline Roberts really enjoyed her vacation in the South Pacific, even though she still felt the hurt wrist.

Vicki Arndt told **Aline** she should pay \$100 for having to miss her shift at Street Fair since she came to work and immediately broke her wrist.

Marissa Buss asked members to vote for her tree at the Festival of Trees.

Christal Doyle responded by asking members to vote for her tree.





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CELEBRATION OF ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH



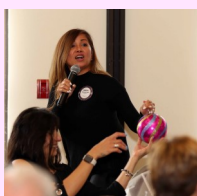
Foundation Chair **KT Connor** reminded the group that the *mission* of Rotary International's *Rotary Foundation* is not to raise money. It is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace — through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The money we donate month by month and year by year just makes that possible.

To celebrate the final week of Rotary Foundation Month, **KT** honored several of the members of the club who were supporters of this mission to make the world a better place. Some contribute a little at a time, some contribute a lot, but as their contributions reach a certain level, they are well recognized by Rotary International as special friends and fellows of Paul Harris. It's an honor to be considered a Fellow of Harris, who gathered his friends together to become the first service club on the planet. **KT** introduced each honoree, and Past Foundation Chair **David Masci** presented each their new pin.



Trevor Tyloch received his first Paul Harris Fellow recognition. **Betsy Friedman, Greg Kusnierek, Michelle Nash, and Ernie Sandlin** received their second. **Barbara Cornwall and Dave Friedl** reached their fourth level of giving. **Bob Lewis and Judy St. John** reached their seventh level. **Ean Kleiger and Mike Murphy** reached their eighth. **Lois Curran-Klein** reached her ninth.

FINE SESSION



Christal Doyle was Fine Master and called on whoever had the Christmas ornament that was being passed around from person to person. Her questions had to do with insurance. Those fined were **Harry Selvin, Tex Ward, Ken Kosoff, Matt Lallo, Darin Arrasmith, Ken Warner, Richard Williams, and Vicki Arndt.**





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BOARD OF DIRECTORS SLATE 2019-2020

ADAM ANTONISKIS

I am a career commercial real estate professional who has spent my career working for developers including Westfield and Caruso. I have worked in the Conejo Valley for over a decade and moved to Thousand Oaks 5 years ago. When the opportunity presented itself a year ago to help transform The Oaks, to live, work and give back in one community, I jumped at that opportunity. Rick Lemmo invited me to join Rotary as a way to meet the members who truly get things done in our community. As a part of this group I've been blessed to work closely with Susan and Hospice of the Conejo, Larry and Andrea and the Boy Scouts and our members from Westcord where we helped find the California Museum of Art – TO a new home. I've also been fortunate to lead the Greeting Committee this year as well as serve on the Programs Committee being a part of booking all of the great speakers we've had this year. I would be honored to be a part of the board to help continue its outstanding track record of success but also build off that success and help move into the next era. We all can see and feel the changes in our community and its evolving needs and I know that I can help with this transformation while remaining true to the things that have always made this club great.

MARISSA BUSS

Marissa Buss is a Real Estate Agent with Re/Max Infinity in Westlake Village, and has lived in the Conejo Valley for 30 years. She has been married for 11 years and has 2 young daughters. She volunteers her time with the Oxnard Fire Foundation, the Madrona Elementary PTA, and Senior Concerns. Marissa is Chair for the Rotary Club's Annual Thousand Oaks Chili Cookoff for the past 3 years and has helped with sponsorship on the Street Fair and Mid-Summer Wine Festival. She is a 3 time Paul Harris Fellow, awarded Rookie of the Year in 2016, and Bob Morrison Awardee in 2017. She joined Rotary to give back to Thousand Oaks and ended up getting so much more in return.

JASON COREY

Jason Corey is a recent addition to our beloved Club, however he is already making an impact. He has directed traffic, delivered art and other auction items to highest bidders, called to get your blood and chalked streets in the name of Rotary. He is involved with keeping the books for District 5240, so he is familiar with some of the inner workings of the District, and is working his way to partner at the prestigious accounting firm of Jacobs and Jacobs. In addition, he has been invited and has accepted a role on our club's finance committee. For our benefit, Jason brings with him nearly 20 years of accounting and finance experience. Prior to joining our club, he was the treasurer for the Greater San Fernando Chamber of Commerce, a position he has resigned from to free up more time *(continued next page)*



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and energy to serve Rotarian interests. Just some of his service above self endeavors include scooping fruit cocktail in Oxnard parks as he was feeding the homeless with his teenage children. He also has been seen dealing cards while teaching poker and blackjack to teenagers at 3am on prom nights ensuring a safe and sane evening for Rio Mesa and Pacifica high school Students. Jason's 21-year marriage and his two children in college are his greatest accomplishment, however, now he wants to give back to the community and the world in any way possible, and feels that Rotary is the greatest mechanism to achieve success in this endeavor.

RICHARD FOLSOM

Richard Folsom is a native of Ventura County, California. He began his career in the hospitality industry switching to manufacturing in 1993. Rich currently works at Semiconductor Equipment Corporation in Moorpark, California where he serves as General Manager Manufacturing and CFO. Rich holds a BA in Business Administration from California Lutheran University. Rich currently lives in Thousand Oaks with his wife, Diane, and has three grown children. In his spare time, he enjoys cooking and photography. Richard joined Rotary with the intent to give back to the Conejo Valley. He has enjoyed developing new friendships and rekindling previous ones as we collectively work to enhance our community. His biggest contribution to Rotary has been photographing our meetings and events. Rich is seeking a board position to learn more about the interworkings of Rotary.

ERIC HARRISON

Experienced Chief Executive Officer with a demonstrated history of working in the nonprofit sector. MBA graduate and recently completed the Harvard Kennedy School Executive Education Program. Been of service since working as a Peace Corps Education Volunteer in rural Madagascar shortly after college. I joined Rotary because I was invited by Past-President Doug Tapking, who was also a member of my church and choir at Ascension Lutheran Church. My affiliation with Rotary dates to my French college professor who had established an exchange program for French majoring graduates to teach in a sister city with a Rotary club in the French Normandy. I was selected and taught English in the elementary schools just prior to my service in Madagascar. I believe in Rotary's mission and I was particularly interested in what I could add with both my leadership position at the United Way of Ventura County and international experience as a teacher in Europe and Africa. My notable accomplishments are obtaining my blue badge within weeks of my acceptance, serving on the sponsorship committee for the Wine Festival and participating as a singer in the Rotary Tones choral group for the past few years. I've also participated as a volunteer at the Chili Cook-off and Street Fair every year of my service. I would like to serve as a board member of the Rotary of Thousand Oaks because I have been of service my entire career. I believe I could add my unique voice and perspective in its evolution.

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BOARD SLATE (continued)

BOB LEWIS

Bob would be honored to serve on the Rotary Board if selected. He joined Rotary on January 6, 1994 because Rotary is an outstanding way to serve our local and international communities. He served on the Rotary Board in 2002-2003 as Club Service Director and on the Rotary Board in 2016-2017 as Club Administrator. He was extremely proud when Robert Bianchi awarded him the Bob Morrison Award for service to our Club. For the past several years he has also organized Fireside Chats for our Club. Bob and his wife Kathy moved to Newbury Park in 1976 with their 2 sons. He served as an Army JAG attorney after graduating from UCLA, including tours in West Berlin before the Wall came down and at US Army Headquarters in Heidelberg. As a business attorney, he works in mergers and acquisitions, creditor's rights and real property matters. Bob believes strongly in community service. He served 12 years as a Thousand Oaks Planning Commissioner, Councilmember and Mayor. He is a past Chairman of The Alliance for the Arts and, prior to its merger, he was Chairman of the Board of California Oaks State Bank. Bob would be pleased to give his energy and effort to our Rotary Club.

ANDREA MCCLELLAN

I am who I am because of my family, which includes my husband of 30 years, 5 children and 4 grandchildren. My education is in Nursing except, after having 4 generations of Eagle Scouts and 3 of my own my husband told me that I'd be a great nurse but my passions would not be complete being a nurse. He was right! I have spent 4 years as a District Executive and nominated 2 of the 4 years as a Top Performer in the Nation. Which has given me a new opportunity starting in January 2019. As a little girl, I remember going with my dad to Activities at Rotary dressed in my hat and gloves at the Country Club. Joining Rotary was natural as I have always given service since a young age and Boy Scouts has been a household name in being of service to others. Chili Cook off Committee-VIP tent, arranging the food and taking care of the sponsors. Street Fair Committee- 2 years in Kids Zone and recently the Sponsors Liaison. My favorite committee is reading to the children at Conejo Elementary. I have never thought about being a Rotary Board Member. I truly believe that every single person makes Rotary what it is and many hands make light work. However, if being a Board Member in Rotary means supporting Herb, more involvement, new ideas and wanting to make a difference? Then I want to be included.



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PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

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

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