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"The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn." Alvin Toffler



Program: February 8th

"Why prescription drugs cost so much?"

Frank Watanabe, COO

Kanan Therapeutics

Program: February 1st

ALL ABOUT THE ANGELS

Mike Scioscia, Manager, Angels Baseball



Judy Lazar introduced Mike Scioscia, who said that he just turned 60 and he must be losing his hearing because he thought **Jere Robings** was talking about eradicating Polo! Mike started his program by having all Dodger fans raise their hands, and then had them put a dollar in the Happy Dollars cup!

Mike was drafted by the LA Dodgers in 1976 and had his butt chewed by Tommy Lasorda (now 90) for 14 years.

Mike had wonderful opportunities growing up. He said that it is a crime that we're not funding arts and sports in public schools. Kids are growing up in a different world. He encouraged everyone to give their kids the opportunity to experience everything; faith, sports, art, culture, civil service. He doesn't believe in honorary championships. Let kids lose, let them learn how to win with dignity, and to let them learn by striking out. When we look back at what we've done, be proud to know that you created the opportunity for someone to do better.

Mike asked Patriots fans to raise their hands. Anyone raising their hands was asked to place a dollar in the Happy Dollars cup. He is very proud of the Eagles for making it to the Super Bowl.

Mike closed by saying that he admires what we as Rotarians do. He said at a local level do anything you can to make an impression and connect. He also said that anyone not eating a Philly cheesesteak sandwich on Super Bowl Sunday should go to Confession.



ROTARY:
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Thousand Oaks Rotary Minutes of Meeting February 1, 2018



President Tim Weaver introduced **David Stowell** for his Moment of Inspiration.

David told the story of Ruby Bridges who was six when she became the first African-American child to integrate a white Southern elementary school in New Orleans on November 14, 1960. Escorted to class by her mother and U.S. marshals

due to violent mobs., Bridges' bravery paved the way for continued Civil Rights action. On her second day, the circumstances were much the same as the first. For a while it looked like Ruby Bridges wouldn't be able to attend class. Only one teacher, Barbara Henry from Boston, agreed to teach Ruby. Ruby was the only student in Henry's class, because parents pulled their children from Ruby's class and sent them to other schools. The other teachers quit. For a full year, Henry and Ruby sat side by side at two desks, working on Ruby's lessons. Henry was loving and supportive of Ruby, helping her not only with her studies but also with the difficult experience of being ostracized. Four years later, Norman Rockwell depicted her brave act of just walking to school, escorted by federal marshals, in a painting, "The Problem We All Live With."



Joani Pappas led all in singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame," in prep for the speaker.

Ed Jones introduced **Skip Roberts** and **Denny Gilette**, Honorary Members. **Ed** then introduced **Jeff Borenstein's** guests Brooks White, Logan Sanders, David Seery, and Dave Lavendier; **Tim Weaver's** guest, Tom Odegard; **KT Connor's** guest Stephanie Knotts; **Chris Steele's** husband Bill; **Judy Lazar's** husband

Roger and her guest Randy Riley; **Carol Schreiber's** husband Chet; **Tammy Helmuth's** husband Mike; **Nelson Buss's** wife Amy; and **Christal Doyle's** mother-in-law Dixie.



Program: Feb 15, 2018

International Committee News!

David Stowell

Rotary Theme: February 2018

*Peace
and
Conflict Prevention/Resolution*

District 5240 Peacebuilder

Club is a Rotary club that is dedicated to diminishing the root causes of conflict: the need for food, water, shelter, health care, literacy, jobs, and human rights. A Peacebuilder Club uses peace education and peace principles to guide the club's service and development projects.

Birthdays

Feb 01 Richardson, Niki
Feb 04 Badger, Ryan
Feb 04 Cornwall, Russ
Feb 05 Curran-Klein, Lois
Feb 12 Wang, Felix
Feb 15 Hebert, Mike
Feb 20 Messner, Douglas
Feb 24 Gonzales, Mike
Feb 26 Arndt, Vicki
Feb 26 Wieler, Dick
Feb 28 Arbuckle, Eric



Anniversaries

Feb 04 Parks, Keith & Denise
Feb 10 Antoniskis, Adam & Lindsay
Feb 16 Feigen, Marc & Darlene
Feb 22 Selvin, Harry & Maureen
Feb 24 Gooch, Herb & Chris



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pat McCoy reminded everyone about the Economic Outlook Forecast to be held on February 9th from 7 – 9 am at CLU. Please sign up on website.

Jere Robings gave an update on the Polio status, with 22 cases reported last year, the last being reported in Pakistan 2-1/2 months ago. There are three pending cases in Afghanistan. \$1.5 billion have been spent vaccinating 2 billion children around the world.



Paul Dryman reminded everyone to come and join in fellowship and fun at the Superbowl party at the Selvins' on Sunday.

David Masci presented 3 Paul Harris Fellows to the following members; **Mark Sellers** 3rd PHF, **Janeen Holmes** – 2nd PHF, **Carol Robinson** – 3rd PHF.

President Weaver presented Perfect Attendance Pins for **Harry Selvin** 24/27 years, **Judy St. John** 27/27 Years, and **himself**, 12/12 years.



FINE SESSION



Kara, Marissa, and Nelson Buss were the sibling Fine Masters with the theme "Baseball, Siblings, and the Ilk." They created a fun fine session about baseball, guessing famous siblings. They levied \$50 for each correct and incorrect response. Those fined were: **Martin Anderson, Jim Friedl, Meghan Lopez, Daniel Becerra, Russ Cornwall, and Haider Alawami.**



SUPERBOWL PARTY: FLYING WITH THE EAGLES?

Many thanks to **Harry and Maureen Selvin** and **Paul Dryman** and all who came!





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HAPPY \$\$\$\$\$\$

Denis Wilson carried the cup.



- ♦ **Jeff Borenstein** ambled up behind **Denny** with **Skip Roberts** and declared, "You're looking at 3 great consecutive past-presidents." **Skip** was 1988-89; **Jeff** was 89-90; **Denny** was 90-91. (See picture above.)
- ♦ **Denny Gillette** shared his delight in being back in TO visiting. He explained that his wife, Terry, is struggling with Alzheimers.
- ♦ **Denis Wilson** said he was happy that his daughter **Tori** isn't doing a thousand things right now.
- ♦ **Marissa Buss** noted that Chili Cook-off season has begun and we're looking for sponsors.
- ♦ **K.T. Connor** said she was corrected by aeronautics expert **Richard Williams** when she wrote of the "Missal" alert in Hawaii. She said she preferred prayerbooks to bombs anyway.
- ♦ **Frank Corrigan** offered thanks to everyone there.
- ♦ **Linda Tinch** thanked **Martin Anderson** for being such a great sponsor. He's helped her feel at home!
- ♦ **Martin Anderson** welcomed and acknowledged **Denny Gillette** for the difference he has made in our community as deputy sheriff, councilman and mayor.
- ♦ **Joani Pappas** invited all to come for the Super Bowl party. It's great fun!
- ♦ **Jere Robings** said what a pleasure it has been to have **Denny** as a houseguest, though he kiddingly said that when Denny sponsored him in the club he didn't realize the contract included hospitality. **Jere** stressed that it's been a great week having **Denny** here.
- ♦ **Tammie Helmuth** shared that there is still a lot of aftermath of the Thomas fire in Ventura, including 80 reported cases of Valley Fever. She also announced that Girl Scouts will be here next week to take orders for Girl Scout Cookies.
- ♦ **David Burns** announced that he and his band are playing at Barones Friday night. "Go Patriots!"
- ♦ **Patricia Jones** placed Valentines cards to sign on the tables for senior citizens. She requested recycled holiday greeting cards, including birthday cards.
- ♦ **Michael Magasinn** celebrated the fact that Pluto has once again become a planet.
- ♦ **Doug Messner** wanted Mike Scioscia to know that he saw Don Drysdale in the World Series. He then made a point to contribute to the Angels, not the Dodgers.
- ♦ **Steve Pederson** welcomed Denny Gillette. He also commented that Mike Scioscia shouldn't try to sell him another autographed baseball at the next golf tournament they play in.





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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	

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