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Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Program: February 14th

VALENTINES DAY

The Degenerates

Program: February 7th

Make the World a Better Place: Eradicate Polio!! PDG Wade Nomura, District Foundation Chair



Foundation Chair **K.T. Connor**, first asked all to reflect a minute on Rotary's

impact on polio, watching a short video of what Rotary has achieved. She then introduced Wade Nomura, noting that he had a remarkable history, as the bio's on the tables would indicate.

Wade spoke first of the power of Rotary Foundation in changing the world for the better. He also described some of the new projects that Rotary Foundation is beginning to focus on. Wade noted that our club was the highest contributing club in the district, reaching over \$2 million dollars over the history of the club.

Wade, a polio survivor himself, then spoke of PolioPlus. He shared his own involvement in polio prevention efforts in India and spoke of the importance of that program there, which has been declared polio free for 3 years by the World Health Organization. Nigeria, he said, has been free for 2 years and so far has had no new case. Only Pakistan and Afghanistan have had new cases, mainly because of the political situations there and the rugged terrain. But efforts to eradicate it there were continuing, with our help. Finally ,Wade mentioned the PolioPlus Society that was formed, honoring those who donate \$100 a year.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

February 4, 2019



President Karen Furnari introduced **Christal Doyle** for the Moment of Inspiration. **Christal** spoke of her visit to the Boeing location in Utah and saw the word "Perfect" painted on the walls. She noted the importance of focus



on perfection and their sense of responsibility for achieving perfection in the equipment they built. **Chris Steele** led the group in My Country 'tis of Thee."



As for guests, **Kara Buss** introduced **Carol Robinson's** guest, Aeri Park, **Michelle Nash's** guest, Patricia Smart, and **Marissa Buss's** guests Christy Pafford, Jenny Owens, and Ty Carson.



Program: February 21st Nick Frankle Past District Governor

BIRTHDAYS

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



Feb 04 Parks, Keith & Denice Feb 10 Antoniskis, Adam & Lindsay Feb 16 Feigen, Marc & Darlene

Feb 22 Selvin, Harry & Maureen Feb 24 Gooch, Herb & Chris



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

PDG Wade Nomura, District Foundation Chair, presents 5 members with their Paul Harris pins:



Chris Steele and Marissa Buss, 3rd; Jason Hardy, 4th; Patricia Jones and David Stowell, 8th.



NEW MEMBER INDUCTED

TammieHelmuth introduced new member Crystal Evans, who has succeeded Tammie as owner of Conejo Awards. Crystal was presented her pin by PDG Wade Nomura. Wade also presented Christal with the RI President's "Be the Inspiration" pin. Wade encouraged Crystal and all of us to catch the Rotary spirit that others may see a better world.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS











Karen Furnari announced that on the tables were copies of old Rotary newsletters that **Steve Pederson** had given her, in case any wanted to see what was happening in the "old days."

She then gave **Pat McCoy** his pin for 22 years perfect attendance. **Pat** then reminded everyone of the Economic Forecast which had been a club contribution to the community before any of the other organizations had one, thanks to former members like **Dennis Gillette**. **Pat** assured the club that if they had not yet signed up, they could register at the door. The forecast was the next morning.

Jeff Borenstein thanked the club for participating in the SuperBowl pool, which raised \$500 for the club. He then handed out the winning prizes to Paul Dryman, Maria Prescott, and Marc Feigen.

Jeff then made an announcement about Mystery Event coming up on March 24th. He noted that it would be \$70 a person and would include a bus ride and we would meet around 11 AM until late afternoon.

Mike Murphy and **Maria Prescott** described the big district event at Dodger Stadium on June 20th. Tickets would be \$75 per person, and participants would have access to the lounge and be seated in the lower level behind the dug-out. If at least 200 people attended, the Dodgers may even have a special event on the field for us, they added.

Steve Stanley reminded the group that nominees were being sought for the Conlan award, which honored those in the community who graciously gave notable service to others.



Since President's Day is coming soon, **Felix Masci** asked to share this picture of some of our own early Presidents of the Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks.

How many do you remember?

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HAPPY \$\$\$\$\$

Greg Kusnierek carried the cup.









K.T. Connor thanked **David Masci** for hosting a great Fireside Chat. She also thanked note-taker **Susan Murata** for forgetting the "t" in "hosting" in her notes last week. "Hosing" a fireside chat must be a lot of fun!

Carol Freeman thanked **Marissa Buss** and Danny for hosting Fireside Chat and thanked heir daughters for teaching us how to make "slime".

Maria Prescott celebrated Nancy Wohl's very enjoyable Fireside Chat. Members attending were even treated to lemons from Nancy's own lemon tree!

Maria also noted that another thank you went to Maureen and Harry Selvin for hosting a super Super Bowl party and to Paul Dryman for planning, organizing, and executing!

Christal Doyle thanked **Neil Scribner** for hosting a beautiful Fireside Chat in his gallery enhanced home. She said she looks forward to enjoying his beautiful paintings again sometime.

GOING TO THE ROTARY CONVENTION?



Did You Know?

Your RC of Thousand Oaks considers the annual International Convention to be of such importance that each year we send the club's President-Elect, and spouse, to the convention, covering their transportation and hotel expense. This year the convention will be in Hamburg, Germany while next year it will be in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The conventions historically draw from 25,000 to 45,000 attendees from Rotary clubs in 200 countries. In recent years, our Presidents-Elect have traveled to *Toronto, Canada; Atlanta, Georgia; Seoul, South Korea; Sao Paulo, Brazil; Sydney, Australia; Lisbon; Portugal; Bangkok, Thailand.* (One even travelled to *Los Angeles.*)



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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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