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February

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month



Program: February 7th

Make the World a Better Place:

Eradicate Polio!

PDG Wade Nomura,
District Foundation Chair

Program: January 24th

Craft Talks: Sharing What We Do

Jonathan Handler and Niki Richardson



CRAFT talkers were introduced by Vocational Service Chair, **Patricia Jones**. **Jonathan Handler** was born in NYC and came to California in 1976. In 1985 he entered the computer industry. **Patricia** asked him to tell us about his industry.

Jonathan said in the late 90's his company began developing websites and was so successful that in 2002 they sold the IT portion of his company and just focused on Website design. He said most important thing in website design is SEO-Search Engine Optimization. "If you don't focus on that," he noted, "no one will find you on the web."

Niki Richardson- traveled the world with her parents before age of 18, introduced to philanthropy in Mumbai India. Over her career she helped raise 13 million dollars for the arts and other non-profits. **Niki** received an MBA from Pepperdine.

Niki is now the Development Director for TOARTS which was started two years ago when the Alliance for the Arts and the Civic Arts Plaza merged. She talked a lot about the importance of the arts in our society and how it can improve children's lives especially. She said it's just as important as reading, writing and math.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

January 24, 2019



President Karen Furnari opened the meeting by reminding all that Rotary is the greatest humanitarian organization in the world. She then introduced **Nelson Buss** for the Moment of Inspiration. **Nelson** talked about what joining Rotary meant to him and how in awe he is of the women in



the club. **Fred Lindberg** led the group in singing "I Love You California". He provided the words on sheets on the tables and also had **Ean** put it on the screen.



Pat McCoy introduced the guests. **Darin Arrasmith** had a guest, his co-worker's husband Ryan Archer. Darin mentioned that Ryan is interested in becoming a Rotarian. **Roger Benson** had a guest, former club member Frank Bellinghieri. **Marissa Buss** had a guest, her husband Danny Lampert.



Program: February 14th

VALENTINES DAY

The Degenerates

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

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Borenstein told us to mark our calendars for March 24th for a Mystery Night. More info to follow soon.

Chris Steele is selling tickets for Community Conscience Mardi Gras Ball, encouraging a Rotary table.

Pat Mc Coy announced that Economic Forecast sign up sheets were once again on the table.

Paul Dryman reminded us about the Super Bowl Party Potluck on Feb 3rd at **Harry and Maureen Selvin's** home

Bob Lewis reminded us about Fireside chats next Thursday and Friday- the club is DARK next Thursday. **Bob** also thanked the Hosts for hosting Fireside Chats.

Steve Stanley asked for nominations of worthy community members who deserve the John Conlan award for their service.





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HAPPY \$\$\$\$

Ernie Sandlin carried the cup.

Dave Burns is Happy Dollar Chair and encouraged more people to sign up to do Happy Dollars and then turned the cup over to **Ernie Sandlin** today's Happy Cup Carrier.

Martin Anderson shared that it was his 74th Birthday

KT Connor thanked **Mike Jansen** for revealing that she had called Jeff Borenstein Executive Treasurer in the bulletin. **KT** then thanked **Nancy Wohl** for taking great notes in spite of the fact that she didn't even know she was note-taker until President Karen announced she was at the end of the meeting.

Ken Warner thanked everyone for giving blood today and told people they could still go out and donate even if they didn't have an appointment.

Jennifer Schwabauer told about Manna's Dining Out event on 1/28 at Sea Casa in Westlake. 40% of the proceeds goes to Manna.

Sue Engler said to let people know they can sign up for assistance from the Red Cross next week at City Hall Monday through Thursday from noon to 6 pm.

Christal Doyle thanked **Ken Warner** for the great job he does on the blood drive. **Christal** then asked the Fireside Chat hosts if they could squeeze her in since she didn't sign up.





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FINE SESSION



Kyle Lundberg started by saying he put this together last minute and thought it might be better if **Ean Kleiger** just put up last year's dental questions. But he went ahead anyway and asked True and False questions about the Stock Market.

Jeff Borenstein was asked about our never having a negative return in the stock market since 1946. Jeff said True and was right

Marc Feigen's statement was that there will be tax cuts for 50% of Americans. Mark guessed False and was correct. There will actually be 65% of Americans receiving cuts.

Darin Arrasmith said that it was True that 10 Bear Markets and all have had at least %20 downturns. He was Wrong. There have actually only been 7 with downturns.

Dave Burns said that average retirement account generates less than \$400 per month for people in their Golden years was True and was right. The average account is only \$108,000.

Marissa Buss said it is true that there is an actual Pirate Stock Exchange in Somalia.

Trevor Tyloch said the NYSE opened in 1892 and was wrong. It actually opened in 1792.

Roger Benson agreed that the original stock exchanged opened with a BELL that is still used today. He was wrong. It actually was opened with a gavel.

Niki Richardson said it was False that Blue Chip stocks were named after the highest chip in poker. **Niki** was Wrong.

David Masci was also wrong when he said that from 1900 thru 2009 the United States has had the best performing stock market. It was actually Australia that had it.

Martin Anderson said that the first stock was developed in 1602 from the Dutch Trading Company. **Martin** was Right.

Karen Furnari said the US Stock Market as of 12-31-18 is worth 55 Trillion dollars. She was wrong. It was actually worth 27.4 Trillion.



**DON'T FORGET OUR ECONOMIC
FORECAST THIS FRIDAY!**

**We've been putting this on for years.
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Many Thanks to all who gave blood last month. Ken Warner says it was a great success.



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Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks & California Lutheran University

2019 ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FORECAST BREAKFAST

Friday, February 8 | 7:00 - 9:00am | Lundring Event Center
130 Overton Court, CLU's Sports Center, Thousand Oaks

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Our expert speakers will discuss their outlook on 2019 with emphasis on growth and development in the Conejo Valley and surrounding area. Also, Mayor Rob McCoy will provide a Thousand Oaks City outlook. Our breakfast buffet begins at 6:45 am.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Larry D. Green
Executive Vice President
US Development Unithold-Rockwell
Westfield



Mathew Fienup
Executive Director
Center for Economic
Research and Forecasting
California Lutheran University

PANEL OF EXPERTS



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Vice President
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Principe**
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Commercial Real Estate



**Brad
Rosenheim**
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Early Registration \$55 (till February 1) \$65 at the door
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PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

58-59 DONN ODELL	88-89 KENNETH ROBERTS
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61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	91-92 MERV KOPP
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63-64 PAUL PACE	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
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70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	20-01 NEAL SCRIBNER
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75-76 KENNETH HANSON	05-06 KATHY HILL
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78-79 FELIX MASCI	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
79-80 HARLAND JONES	09-10 KEITH PARKS
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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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