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August Rotary Theme:

Membership and Extension



August 2, 2018

Art Trek

Nan Young
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Program: July 23rd
Thomas Fire Help
Emily Barany, VISIONALITY



Herb Gooch introduced Emily Barany who developed a Thomas Fire Website to help connect those who wanted to help victims. On December 4, 2017, the Thomas Fire started and caused the following: Over 500 homes burned to the ground; \$2.176 Billion in damages; 281,893 acres burned; 1,063 structures destroyed.

Emily's mission was to find a way to channel the energy of people who wanted to help. Emily set up a crude website to get things started as the need was so great. Eventually, Emily got 9 software engineers who volunteered their time to help her with the website making it more secure and professional.

The website started receiving hundreds of entries of people wanting to help in a multitude of ways. For Example, Pilots volunteered their planes and helicopters to fly those who were sick and needed chemo treatments or other care outside of the area. The 101 was closed with 12 feet of mud, so the road closures made it impossible for people to get out. The helicopters were a life saver for many. 117 passengers were flown where they needed to go. One person donated hay for stranded horses.; Another person donated masks for nearby farmers so they could continue to work the soil during the fires.; Boats and operators set up an ongoing schedule to help navigate people via the Pacific Ocean around the 101 closure.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Minutes of Meeting July 26, 2018



President Karen Furnari opened the meeting by introducing **Dave Burns** for the Moment of Inspiration. **Dave** reminded the group how uplifting



humor can be, especially in stressful times,

and he shared several quotes from well known humorists and celebrities. Among his quotes: "Behind every great funny man, is a woman rolling her eyes" Jim Carrey; "A Day without sunshine is welll.....dark" Steve Martin.



After the salute to the flag, **Carol Robinson** came forward and led the group in "My Country 'tis of Thee," supported by a well-done video which included the words and children signing along with us.

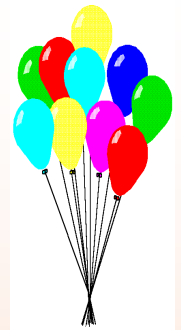
Marissa Buss introduced Visiting Rotarian **Hans Korsmo** from

Westlake Sunrise, **Patricia Jones'** guest **Nicole Tarantino**, **Darin Arrasmith's** guest **Mike Jansen**, **Devin McNamee's** guest **Silvia Corral**, **Andrea McClellan's** guest **Noah Mestin**, and **Herb Gooch's** guest, **Bob Engler**.



BIRTHDAYS

Aug 07 Lemmo, Rick
Aug 11 Steele, Chris
Aug 13 Masci, David
Aug 14 Arrasmith, Darin
Aug 17 Seeley, Teresa
Aug 19 Strong, Jennifer
Aug 20 Diaz, Mario
Aug 21 Benson, Roger
Aug 21 Helmuth, Tammie
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, Timothy & Mary Jane
Aug 11 Bianchi, Robert & Teri
Aug 12 Pederson, Steve & Kathy
Aug 15 Anderson, Martin & Elaine
Aug 15 Kleiger, Ean & Phoebe
Aug 18 Arrasmith, Darin & Lydia
Aug 21 Connor, K. T. & Robings, Jere
Aug 21 Robings, Jere & Connor, KT
Aug 23 Nash, Michelle & Shannon
Aug 24 Gillette, Denny & Terry
Aug 25 Bradley, John & Karen
Aug 27 Stowell, David & Elaine
Aug 29 Lederer, Jill & Hicks, Stephen

Fine session



Kara Buss was Fine Master. She asked questions about art, getting us ready for next week's program on Art Trek. Those fined included **Nelson Buss**, **Richard Williams**, **Marrisa Buss**, **Niki Richardson**, **Felix Wang**, **Carol Robinson**, and **Dave Masci**.

A POLIO PLUS QUESTION:

Do you want polio victims from those other countries to come across and start spreading the disease? Or are you interested in helping prevent it in those countries? Rotary is with you.!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pat McCoy is collecting club surveys. Please make sure you have completed one.

Susan Murata announced that our club will be celebrating its 60th anniversary as a club on October 11, 2018. Mark your calendars



Richard Williams announced that the Wine Festival is coming up on August 11. Today is deadline for silent auction items; but we will take more. Get them to Tanya ASAP.

Dennis Wilson has a sign-up sheet on the tables to volunteer at Wine Event.



HAPPY \$\$\$\$

Darin Arrasmith carried the cup.



Lee Ladd, turned 80 and in the spirit of **Denny Gillette** said, "being that I am on a fixed income, I will put in \$8.

Tony Kournais, celebrating 39 years of marriage and his wife is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Dave Friedl said **Rick Principe** is donating wine for Wine event. If you see him, thank him.

Kevin McNamee noted that he is running for City Council.

Bob Engler said how much he enjoys visiting Rotary and noted he too is running for City Council, along with his tablemate **Kevin**. He praised our ability to accept diversity.

Nate Harimoto said he is not on a fixed income, he's giving \$46 for his 46th wedding anniversary on Sunday. Also, he is not running for City Council.

Monica Fuller spoke of her trips, her Rotary makeups, and gave us a bit of her background. She was excited to join the club.

Nelson Buss gave an apology dollar to **Kara** for giving her incorrect information on the program for the meeting this week. It did result in an unintentionally humorous fine session though.



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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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