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JUNE IS



ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

FRIDAY JUNE 28TH

PRESIDENT KAREN'S DEMOTION PARTY

Program: June 13th—Bitcoin— Chris Lamia



Chris has done a lot of research on Bitcoin and tried his best to educate us on the subject. Bitcoin is a form of digital currency, considered harder money than gold. It is both a payment system and currency. Its value is derived from usefulness, and peer to peer. It is un-censorable and immutable as every 10 minutes transactions are batched into block chains.

To use it there is a public and private key. The public address is stored in a digital wallet. The private key, is just that-private. The private key is needed to collect it, so that makes it secure.

On June 18th Facebook is unveiling their own crypto-currency. It is going to be first launched in India and we will soon learn how effective the Facebook coin will be. There will be no transaction free to use this form of digital currency.

Chris suggested that everyone who is interested in BITCOIN or Facebook Coin do a lot of their own research before investing in either product.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

June 13th

President Karen opened the meeting and introduced **PE-Herb**



Gooch who provided the **Inspirational Moment and Pledge**. Herb spoke enthusiastically about the Rotary International Convention and was inspired that amidst

25,000 strangers there was still a common thread of Service Above Self.



He encouraged everyone to attend the 2020 Convention in Hawaii.



Carol Robinson led us in God Bless America



Introduction of Visiting Rotarians and Guests– Kara Buss

Greeter– Adam Antoniskis

Note Taker– Nancy Wohl

BIRTHDAYS

Jun 02 Hardy, Jason
 Jun 02 Stanley, Steven
 Jun 10 Stowell, David
 Jun 17 Donley, Heather
 Jun 17 Friedman, Betsy
 Jun 19 Back, Brian
 Jun 22 Fuller, Monica
 Jun 22 Lampert, Danny
 Jun 23 Dickinson, Tina
 Jun 25 Jansen, Michael
 Jun 27 Bloom, Denny
 Jun 27 Buss, Nelson
 Jun 29 Freeman, Carol

ANNIVERSARIES

Jun 01 Kimball, Chris & Elizabeth
 Jun 02 Masci, David & Kathryn
 Jun 15 Handler, Jonathan & Helen
 Jun 18 Khodabakhshian, Sevak & Tyaga
 Jun 20 Borenstein, Jeff & Judy
 Jun 22 Folsom, Rich & Diane
 Jun 24 Caligiuri, Tanya & Joe
 Jun 27 Friedl, Jim & Tracy
 Jun 27 Lazar, Judy & Roger
 Jun 29 O'Beirne, Mike & Jo-Ann

Announcements:

Maria Prescott-Kingsman Shakespeare Co. production of the Merry Wives of Windsor will be on -July 12th. Maria is sending an email blast and encouraging Rotarians to attend.

David Masci– Demotion Party June 28th. Sign up sheets on tables \$18.00 per person.

Carol Freeman-Mid Summer's Eve wine Festival –club members may pick up their 5 raffle tickets in the foyer over the next several weeks.

President Karen-presented **Felix Masci** a perfect attendance pin, 45 years in Rotary, 45 years perfect attendance. Congratulations Felix!!



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Happy \$\$\$\$

The cup was carried by

Andrea Mc Clellan



Andrea put in the first Happy Dollars and said her 5th child just graduated from High School and the other 4 are married. She also mentioned the upcoming Boy Scout special event.

Jeff Borenstein— said as Executive Secretary of the club he has the pleasure of opening the Club mail. He got a thank you note from a first time vendor saying there was a person who was invaluable at helping him take down his booth and banner. The person he was referring to was our own President Karen.

Martin Anderson-informed Dave Burns that he will not receive the Bob Morrison Award as the most obnoxious member (for his terminal applause). He also announced that the first woman ever has been appointed to chair the Rotary International Foundation and two other women will be starting their roles as International Directors for the first time in Rotary history.

Bob Lewis— was proud that his oldest grandchild just graduated High School

Monica Fuller —was happy to be celebrating her one year anniversary as a Rotarian.

Ken Warner-thanked everyone who donated blood and said 24 pints were collected.

Patricia Jones-informed us of a special art sale coming to the Thousand oaks Art Gallery on Borchard Rd.- 100% of the proceeds benefits Senior Concerns.

Carol Freeman —offered to auction off a ticket for “Book of Mormon (no takers).

Kara Buss-was proud that her daughter was starting high school in the fall and that her daughters softball team will be competing in the Soft Ball World Series in Modesto.

Judy Lazar-announced her youngest grandchild graduated high school and will be attending Northwest University and will study chemical engineering. She also just celebrated her sons wedding in Alaska and was amazed that everyone in attendance pitched in and brought something. They all partied till 3 am and the sun was still out.



FINE SESSION –Fine Master– New Member –Heather Cousin

The Fine Session was in honor of Flag Day :

The session was all about Flags

The following people were fined: **Monica Fuller, Michael Teasdale, Patricia Jones, Herb Gooch, Joani Pappas, Dave Burns.**

All had right answers EXCEPT PE Herb Gooch.

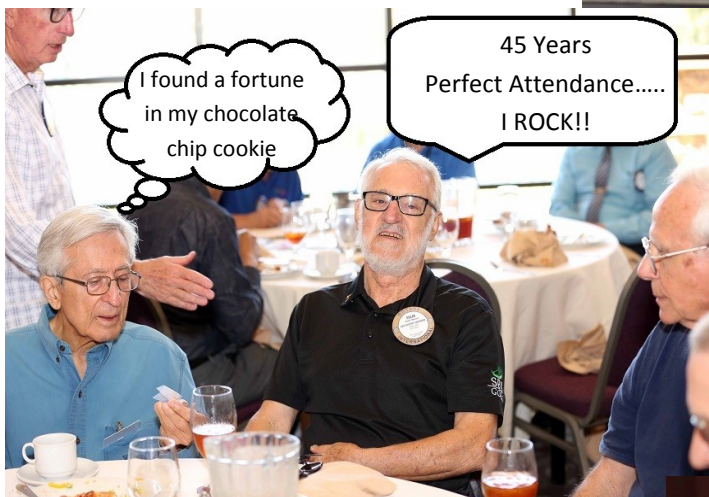


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THE WEEK IN PICTURES





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CONGRATULATIONS TO DISTRICT 5240'S VERY OWN BRENDA CRESSEY CHAIR OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

2019-2020



Currently serving her third year as a Trustee for the Rotary Foundation, Brenda was elected to serve as Chair of the Foundation in 2019-2020. She is the first woman to hold this prestigious position.

Since serving as District Governor in 2001-02, most of her Rotary assignments have focused on successful Fund Development for TRF specifically in the areas of Polio Eradication, EREY, PHS and Endowments and Major Gifts. She enjoyed successful outcomes when serving in a number of TRF positions including: *Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator and Moderator and Assistant Moderator* for two *RRFC Institutes* including the *Future Vision Transition Institute* held in San Diego. She is also a Rotary Alumni having personally participated in a number of Foundation Projects around the world and has seen firsthand how gifts to TRF greatly impact the lives of others. She is a proud member of the Paul Harris Society, a member of the Bequest Society and Major Donor.

When asked what the highlights in her life might be she will not hesitate to say it all began when first invited to join Rotary 1989. She continues to share how her membership and gifts to The Rotary Foundation have changed her life and the lives of many who she will never know. She is the recipient of

the RI "Service Above Self Award" and TRF's "Citation for Meritorious Service". Brenda was extremely honored to be nominated as one of President George H.W. Bush's "1000 Points of Light" recognizing those individuals who are making a difference through their volunteer service. Additionally, she was recognized by the Maine Public Broadcasting systems "Jefferson Award for Meritorious Service" as well as the "State of Maine Governor Award for Community Service".

Retired from New England Telephone in 1986 she began her own telecommunications business in Maine and remains CEO. Much of her professional career included skills in management, sales and serving as the lead project manager for large projects such as setting up *Phone Stores in Maine for New England Telephone* and the creation of her own telecommunications business, the later, in conjunction with the many changes in telephony and technology at that time.

In 1995, when moving to California, she accepted a rewarding volunteer position with the American Cancer Society as the Unit Manager with the new start up of a local office to support cancer patients. She was responsible for setting up the office and volunteer systems, working with the local medical community, public speaking and volunteer training. She was a two time recipient of the *American Cancer Society Volunteer of the Year Award*.

Brenda is a member of the RC of Paso Robles and has been a proud Rotarian for 26 years. She currently resides in Templeton, California with her husband Richard, who is recently retired as a Vice President from a long career in manufacturing. They both enjoy spending time with their dog Casey, the outdoors and travel.

She can be reached at Email: rotarybrenda@gmail.com.



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PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

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| 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 NEIL 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 |