

## THE ACORN

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#### **Greetings Everyone!**

This is how we'll stay in touch through these difficult days. We'll have a short bulletin with three parts:

- (1) Announcements for identifying service opportunities and Rotary news;
- (2) **Happy Dollars** for news about each other and expressing your joys and downs;
- (3) **President's Corner** where President Herb can catch up you up on current news and Club developments.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Our members facing challenges:
- ⇒ **Dave Burns** had some added complications but is stable at UCLA still.
- ⇒ **President Herb** is wrestling with his chemo treatments but hanging in there.
- ⇒ Aline Roberts had her 2nd surgery on the 25th, still on her back.
- ⇒ Richard Williams is back at los Robles Hospital as an in-patient dealing with an intestinal issue related to extended antibiotic therapy. He's doing well and maybe back home in a couple days. No visitors allowed due to hospital ban during Corona Virus issue. A note or card would be appreciated.
- We will suspend billings for April. March billings were sent out earlier in the month. If you can, please keep current.
- We have cancelled the Chili Cook Off & Beer Fest (May 3rd).

#### From the President:

#### Expect the best; plan for the worst.

As for the lunches and billing suspended for April., decisions will be revisited once we know more later in April. Hopefully we will be able to resume some iota of normality soon, but until then we need to keep together and engaged.

The weekly Bulletin will offer a means of reaching out to one another, present opportunities to connect with one another, and discover ways to continue serving the community. You are not alone.

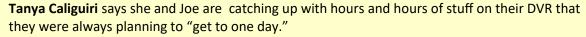


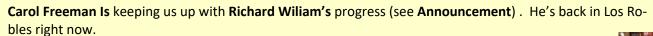
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#### **Happy \$\$\$\$**





**Jennifer Strong** is working from her home office. She says, "My new sales assistant is charming but requires too many nap breaks. Missing you all!" (Enlarge the PDF and you'll see her assistant here.)

**Steven Stanley** noted that he's aging at home(mostly) and enjoying family and relaxing. He's getting a taste of what retirement might be like. However, he don't think he's ready to do that quite yet.

**Jere Robings** is happy that his wife got her vision back thanks to her cataract surgery. Now that she sees more clearly, he's waiting for her to change political outlook.

**Patricia Jones** shares the following: "George and I are going to be putting our ranch in Rolling Oaks Estates up for sale in mid-April. If anyone looking for a 2.5 acre estate with Main house, guest house, horse stalls, corral, out building and tack room, let me know. We bought a smaller place one street over in TO. Plan to start moving April 2nd. Getting ready to move is a great distraction from the global Covid-19 situation. " She also adds that she misses everybody.

**Michelle Nash** has several things she's shared: First, she had a bunch of pizzas delivered to Los Robles front desk. When she called to make sure they received them, they were so happy and grateful. Second, she wrote 25 thank you cards and put a little money in each and gave an envelope to all the employees she could find at the Vons by her house. Finally, she's working with lots of people from her church to make sure they can get connected to their Virtual Sunday Service and other meetings through Zoom.

**Karen Furnari** has news about here "new rescue doggie, Layla," She said this is distracting me from all that is going on in the world. We hike the trails and last two weeks did 94,000 steps each week! She is smart and manipulative but after a month together, I think we are bonded for life."

Carol Schreiber said, "Chet and I are finally moving back to Mt. Chet after over a year! It is exciting but very overwhelming considering that we'll be living in a construction zone for several more months." She says she thinks of Lee Ladd and what he is going through after what they've all experienced. She sends him and his wife her best for "wellness, hope and patience in their rebuild." Carol adds, "We were fortunate to live in a rental on the Westlake Village Island which was not too shabby! Chet has done the lion's share of planning and negotiating while I am holding down the fort with our 2 grandsons. Online learning started today! We wish you all wellness and sanity during these trying times with hope that perhaps we'll host a Family of Rotary Social at Mt. Chet when we are totally repaired."

Christal Doyle is happy that hubby is working from home. She also asks if any want to start a Zoom book club.

Felix Masci asks if anyone had a brush with the virus through a someone that they would like to share.

**Chris Steele** says, "Since I can't see my newborn granddaughter due to the "stay at home" order, we are receiving a picture a day."

**Sharon Russell** mentioned the Stuffed Bags ad and said it's easy to make blankets that the organization uses. Ordering fabric on sale at JoAnn's, she thinks she heard that JoAnn's may be donating face mask fabric.



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#### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

If you need, amidst your sheltering, some intellectual play time, read the following. And behold, you will end up as confused as ever but having had a few grins in the process.

(My favorites are high-lighted. Should you agree with these, there is a stylish jacket, with sleeves which conveniently tie behind, awaiting you in a genuine isolation chamber).

It tends to grow darker before the dawn, so hang in there Rotarians. Herb

- Paraprosdokian Sentences: A paraprosdokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or
  phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to re-frame or reinterpret the
  first part. It is frequently used for humorous or dramatic effect, sometimes producing an anticlimax.
- ♦ I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.
- ♦ Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
- I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather; not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.
- Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
- ♦ The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on the list.
- Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.
- We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
- War does not determine who is right only who is left.
- Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- ♦ A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops. On my desk, I have a work station.
- How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?
- Some people are like Slinkies ... not really good for anything, but you can't help smiling when you see one tumble down the stairs.
- Dolphins are so smart that within a few weeks of captivity, they can train people to stand on the very edge of the pool and throw them fish.
- ♦ I thought I wanted a career, turns out I just wanted pay checks.
- ♦ A bank is a place that will lend you money, if you can prove that you don't need it.



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#### PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

58-59 DONN ODELL	89-90 JEFF BORENSTEIN
59-60 JOHN HEYWOOD	90-91 DENNIS GILLETTE
60-61 MARV BURROW	91-92 MERV KOPP
61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	92-93 TOM GLANCY
62-63 ROY McCOMBER	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
63-64 PAUL PACE	94-95 BRIAN BACK
64-65 JOHN CONLAN	95-96 TONY KOUROUNIS
65-66 CARLOS SCURIA	96-97 JACK CAINE
66-67 MERRILL DARLING	97-98 DICK WIELER
67-68 PHIL OZAB	98-99 JUDY ST. JOHN
68-69 WILLIAM VANDERZWANN	99-20 MIKE GONZALES
69-70 ALVIN J. HOTZ, JR.	20-01 NEIL SCRIBNER
70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	01-02 BOB BIERY
71-72 GLENN GOODWIN	02-03 HARRY SELVIN
72-73 GEORGE VASLIEFF	03-04 RICK LEMMO
73-74 HENRY STILL	04-05 DOUG TAPKING
74-75 JOHN TUEL	05-06 KATHY HILL
75-76 KENNETH HANSON	06-07 PETE TURPEL
76-77 DAVID HUANG	07-08 VICKI ARNDT
77-78 WILLIAM HAAS	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
78-79 FELIX MASCI	09-10 KEITH PARKS
79-80 HARLAND JONES	10-11 FRANK CORRIGAN
80-81 DAVE WENDER	11-12 RICHARD WILLIAMS
81-82 GEORGE GIBB	12-13 SUSAN MURATA
82-83 NORMAN NAGEL	13-14 CAROL FREEMAN
83-84 BILL PETERSON	14-15 NATE HARIMOTO
84-85 MIKE O'BEIRNE	15-16 MIKE MURPHY
85-86 MARV SOSNA	16-17 ROBERT BIANCHI
86-87 FRED FERRARINI	17-18 TIM WEAVER
87-88 DOC NEEDHAM	18-19 KAREN FURNARI

88-89 KENNETH (SKIP) ROBERTS