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MARCH: WATER AND SANITATION MONTH



Program: March 7th

The Bug Queen

Ally Moore

Founder of Bugible

Program: February 28th

Ralph Mauriello

Mauriello Entertainment

Former Pitcher, LA Dodgers



Jennifer Strong introduced Ralph Mauriello as both an accomplished tenor and a well-received teller of stories from his wide career in baseball. Once introduced, he led the group in an energetic "take Me Out to the Ballgame."

Ralph spoke about both coaches and players he spent his time with. For example, he shared several delightful stories about Sparky Anderson, a Dodger star well known in the Conejo area, and longtime member of this club. Sparky, often called "Georgie" before the mid '50s, was driven to succeed, and also to support his community. His support of California Lutheran University resulted in the ballfield for CLU's baseball team being named after him.

Other players he shared stories about included Tommy Lasorda, Ron Drysdale, and Sandy Koufax. Ralph also told tales of his own experiences as a pitcher and the role other players and coaches had in his success.

Finally, Ralph spoke of how other players helped him find a way to attract his future wife and eventually propose.

Mauriello has written a book containing a lot of his stories.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

February 28, 2019



President Karen Furnari introduced **K.T. Connor** for the Moment of Inspiration.

KT said that when she spoke at NATO HQ in Brussels she was inspired by the openness, concern, and tolerance of those there. She



linked it to a quote she had just read by Paul Harris. She noted that Harris' desire was that "Rotarians will continue to be ambassadors of goodwill to all races, to persons of all religious faiths, and to members of all political parties. He hoped that Rotarians will "continue to be purveyors of tolerance, forbearance, helpfulness, kindness, neighborliness, and friendliness." The outcome the founder of Rotary desired was that through world-wide Rotary fellowship "we



shall ultimately achieve our goal of international understanding, goodwill, and peace." After the pledge to the flag, guest speaker Paul Mauriello, led the group in the National Anthem.



Dave Wender then introduced Honorary Rotarian **Skip Roberts**, **Tanya Caliguiri's** husband Joe, **Marissa Buss' husband**, **Danny Lampert**, and **Paul Dryman's** guest Michaela Rauscher.



After the guests were introduced, **President Karen** called **Richard Williams** and **Carol Freeman**, of the Midsummer Wine Event, to announce the plans for this year. The event will be held on August 17. **Richard Williams** then introduced Special Olympics Southern California CEO, Bill Shumard. He was presented with a check for \$33,604 for Special Olympics.



President Karen called **Bob Biery** up to the front and presented him with a perfect attendance pin. **Karen** announced that **Bob** has 52 years in Rotary and 52 years perfect attendance.

Program: March 14th

Peace Fellowship

Terrance Stevenson

Upcoming Peace Fellow



Launched in 2002, Rotary's Peace Fellowship program provides academic and practical training to prepare scholars for leadership roles in solving conflicts around the world.

Up to 100 fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic, and professional achievements.

Fellows embark on one to two years of study to earn a master's-level degree or a 3-month professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies at one of six Rotary Peace Centers at leading universities in Australia, England, Japan, Sweden, the United States, and Thailand.

BIRTHDAY

Mar 03 Scribner, Neal
Mar 09 Becerra, Daniel
Mar 17 Alawami, Haider
Mar 17 Feigen, Marc
Mar 19 Friedl, Dave
Mar 26 Agina, Tulasi
Mar 26 Moors, Don
Mar 28 Magasinn, Michael

ANNIVERSARY

Mar 04 Magasinn, Michael
& Rhonda
Mar 28 Engler, Sue & Bob



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Foundation Chair KT Connor thanked those who contributed to PolioPlus the week before. She then explained the "Thank You Notes" that had been prepared for each person's ongoing contribution to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund. Each person's sustained contribution was indicated on the card to insure that they will continue to be billed correctly. **KT** reminded the group of the power of their contributions, whatever the amount.



Maria Prescott announced the upcoming District Dodger Night celebration. On June 20, 2019, at Los Angeles Dodger Stadium, Rotary District 5240 will be holding its very first district-wide social event and fund raiser. On that date the Los Angeles Dodgers will be playing the San Francisco Giants. The Los Angeles Dodgers have offered us the opportunity to have our district social event at Dodger Stadium as follows: The event ticket prices are \$75.00 per person. This discounted ticket price includes the following: A game seat for each attendee at the loge dugout level in the stadium, access to a hospitality area assigned to just our attendees and guests where we can all meet and socialize before the game, and food served in the hospitality area. If 200 come, there could be a special ceremony on the field for the Rotarians. **Maria** asked for a show of hands as to how many might come. Many were raised.

NEW MEMBER

President Karen inducted **Heather Cousin** as a new member. **Tony Kourounis** was her sponsor.

Heather is a resident of Thousand Oaks and is the Director of the Thousand Oaks library. She is a graduate of San Jose State University and UC Riverside. She is active with the American Library Association, the Public Library Association and the California Library Association. In addition she is active with the Conejo Las Virgenes Future Foundation.



*Have you read this article is the Rotarian?
Quite an eyebrow-raising piece!*





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Happy \$\$\$\$\$

Interact Students carried the cup for K-9 for Warriors

Michael Magasinn is celebrating his 19th wedding anniversary with his beautiful wife Rhonda.



Dave Burns said to please contact him at 805/573/1400 to participate in the most fun part of our meetings: Happy Dollars. He would love to see more experience the thrill of carrying the cup.

Jere Robings shared that this year there were only six new cases of polio around the world, 4 in Pakistan, 2 in Afghanistan.

Nate Harimoto thanked cup-carrying Emily Nagamoto & Sarah Wang for the great job they are doing Chairing the Group 4 Interact Clubs annual fundraiser for K9s For Warriors. Nate added that the event is on March 9, 2:30 at the Newbury Park High Performing Arts Center.

Many others contribute to support the Interact students project, some even without messages.

FINE SESSION



Maria Prescott prepared the group for the baseball presentation by asking all kinds of questions about teams and their history. Those fined—and thrown ball-park peanuts by **Hugo Roche**—include **Michael Magasinn, Felix Wang, Nancy Wohl, Mark Sellers, Carol Freeman, Steve Boggs, Kara Buss, Christal Doyle, Adam Antoniskis, Jeff Borenstein** and **Carol Schreiber**.





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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 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

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