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May: Youth Services Month

Program: May 30th Vocational College Scholarships Carol Schreiber



Program: May 23rd

Rotary Rose Parade Float

Patricia Jones & Bob Biery



Patricia Jones opened the program by talking about her experience riding on the Rose Parade float in 2017, 2018 and 2019. She said other than her wedding it was the greatest experience of her life. She also introduced the Rose Bowl Parade Rotarians at the table: Walt Stephens from District 5240, this years Rose Parade Chair; PDG Wade Nomura, 2020 Chair (Patricia also introduced his wife Debbie); Jim Lewis, in charge of riders and walkers; Randy Poke former DG, next year's chair; Kelly Bess, a walker this year and on this years committee; our own **PP Bob Biery**, an honorary member of the committee and also on this year's float. **Bob** said he grew up in Pasadena and attended at least 70 Rose Parades so this was a life changing experience for him. He added that it meant so much to him because Rotary does too.

Patricia then introduced Wade Nomura. Wade talked about the process and the design of the floats and said they have to raise between 180K and 200K each year privately for the float. No Rotary funds are used. It takes over 1,000 volunteer hours, he added, and Rotary and the Optimists are partnering on this year's float. The theme for the 2020 Rose Parade is the "Power of Hope" and the theme for the Rotary Float is "Hope Connects the World". Many familiar landmarks from around the world are visibly part of the float design, reflecting Rotary's service globally. Finally **Patricia** invited any who wished to join this year's float to let her know. It costs \$10,000 to be a rider on the float and \$6,500 to be a walker. There are only a limited number of positions available.



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Rotary Club of
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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

May 23, 2019



President Karen Furnari opened the meeting by letting everyone know that the proceeds from this year's chili cook off were the 3rd largest ever.



Monica Fuller shared an inspirational moment and pledge and told everyone that the four way test is what inspires her. She explained that Trader Joe's embodied the spirit of the four way test by forfeiting their space at the Camarillo Ranch so the Boy Scouts could hold their annual gala there. After the pledge to the flag, **Joani Pappas** led us in God Bless America



New Member **Danny Lampert** introduced visiting Rotarian, Denise Avila from Camarillo, **Carol Freeman's** guest, Amanda Greenbaum, Hugo Roche's guests Raul Gutierrez, **Patricia Jones'** guest Dwight Brown, **Susan Murata's** guest Kristina Simons, **Bob Biery's** guest, wife Patty, **Ernie Sandlin's** guest Natalia Stenova, and **Ronnie Stone's** guest Patrick Yarrow.

BIRTHDAYS

May 01 Schwabauer, Jennifer
May 04 Wilson, Denis
May 11 Guevara, Tony
May 11 Paulucci, Pat
May 20 Murphy, Mike
May 29 McCoy, Pat
May 30 Robinson, Carol

ANNIVERSARIES

May 01 Overton, Dan & Casey
May 05 Agina, Tulasi &
Chaitanya Bijili
May 06 Lallo, Matt & Teresa
May 10 Hayek, Victor & Angela
May 10 Irwin, Jacqui & Jon
May 15 Lemmo, Rick & Lou Ann
May 16 Guevara, Tony & Suzy
May 17 Lundberg, Kyle &
Genevieve
May 18 Sandlin, Ernie & Jean
May 19 Buss, Marissa &
Danny Lampert
May 24 Buss, Kara &
Anthony Marcione

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Warner reminded all that the blood drive will be held on June 6th. If you want to save a life, give blood.

Chris Lamia told everyone about our Rotary Club's commitment to support the Manna Building Campaign by pledging \$100,000 to the effort. He then revealed that if our club will help fill in the gap of needed funds, an anonymous friend of the club will match every penny up to \$15,000. He noted that Manna is moving into a new home, with triple the size of the pantry and double the frequency that people can get food per month. Operating times will be expanded as well, as will waiting times being cut, which is very valuable for those in need. This will also create more opportunities for volunteers and working with other non-profits, while reducing the amount of food that gets sent to the landfill.

KT Connor, Foundation Chair, spoke of the value of being a partner or fellow of Paul Harris. She mentioned the Thank You note from RI in Wade Nomura's newsletter. She read only one sentence and promised to put the entire letter in the bulletin. It said, "Your gift empowers educators to inspire learning at all ages, protects children from diseases like polio, and helps us all work together to build a more peaceful future."

Then **KT** introduced **David Stowell** who thanked everyone that has participated in supporting the different International Committee causes this year. He recognized and thanked the Major Donor people that supported the Mexico Planetarium project with a donation: **PP Dave Wender, PP Frank Corrigan, PP Martin Anderson, Felix Wang, Don Moors, PP Susan Murata, John Bradley, Chris Lamia, PP Vicki Arndt, Roger Benson, PP Richard Williams, and Matt Lallo.** Paul Harris Fellow pins were presented to others by both **KT** and **David.**

(See pages 4 & 5 for the letter from RI and the Presentation of Paul Harris Fellow pins.)



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FINE SESSION



Nelson Buss was Fine Master and asked questions about the Rose Bowl Parade. Those fined included **Ronnie Stone, Tony Kourounis, Dave Friedl, Richard Williams. David Masci, and Susan Murata.**

Program: June 6th

Rothchild Award

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BLOOD DRIVE

(Don't forget to sign up)



Happy \$\$\$\$

Bob Biery carried the Cup



- ◆ **Joani Pappas** welcomed back Raul, a former member who has moved away and is missed.
- ◆ **Paul Dryman** announced that his heart is 'still working'.
- ◆ **Doug Messner** put in 30 happy dollars in honor of the 22 youth citizenship award recipients last week as well as the presenters that helped with the program
- ◆ **Susan Engler** put in two happy dollars for the 2 meetings she recently missed but said she saw that we substituted her husband Bob in her place last week.
- ◆ **PP Susan Murata** thanked the two most important people to her at the Chili Cook off— **Crystal Evans** and **David Harris** —who helped her with the Chili Cooks and Judges ALL DAY from 6:30 am till closing at the Chili Cookoff
- ◆ Natasha from New West Symphony announced that they are putting on an outdoor pops concert featuring the movie the Titanic at CLU on June 22nd
- ◆ **Barbara Cornwall** thanked **PP Martin Anderson** for fixing her sunglasses at the Chili cook off and thanked her husband **Russ** for always providing the RV for the 'bank' at the chili Cook off. And she congratulated Marissa and her team for a spectacular event.
- ◆ **Ernie Sandlin** said his son who graduated from UC Davis last year was offered and accepted a job at Stanford, a school different from the outlying one **Richard Williams** always spoke about.
- ◆ **Richard Williams** said Kerny College is very particular about who they hire and that is why they didn't hire **Ernie Sandlin's** son.
- ◆ **Darin Arrasmith** thanked **Chris Lamia** for his efforts trying to raise club support for Manna and that there are 15K to 16K people in the Conejo Valley who don't have money for food and this food bank will help them.
- ◆ **PP Felix Masci** said he snuck out and called his wife after **Chris Lamia's** announcement. As a result he and his wife Barbara were donating \$1,000 towards the goal for the Manna Food Building project.
- ◆ **Tony Kourounis** also welcomed Raul back and **Tony** also said he took a cruise with his family and it was so wrong that the movie playing in the ship's theater was the Titanic.
- ◆ **Ronnie Stone** announced that the new YMCA is open and everyone should come see it.



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A BIG THANK YOU!

The World is grateful and Rotary Foundation to us for any amount, however small or large, that we can give to the Foundation. It is multiplied many times over and the impact is immense.



Together, We Make a Difference

Dear Rotarians,

Thank you for recently supporting The Rotary Foundation with a donation this year. Gifts from generous donors like you make it possible for Rotarians to continue Doing Good in the World. But we still have much work to do, and we hope you'll help us by donating again before the end of this Rotary year.

The impact of your continued support extends beyond your community to fellow Rotarian-led projects around the world. Your gift empowers educators to inspire learning at all ages, protects children from diseases like polio, and helps us all work together to build a more peaceful future.

Thank you for all that you do as a Rotarian and a dedicated Rotary Foundation donor. With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

Sincerely,
The Rotary Foundation



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PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS RECOGNIZED



Foundation Chair KT Connor announced each new Paul Harris Fellow, while Foundation Committee member **Jere Robings** presented the pin and District Foundation Chair Wade Nomura congratulated the recipient.. These included **Maria Prescott** (3rd PHF), **Mike Jansen and Doug Messner** (1st), **Dave Burns** (2nd) , **Michelle Nash** (3rd) , **PP Tim Weaver** (7th) , **Patricia Jones** and **Ean Kleiger** (9th).



International Committee Chair David Stowell announced each contributor to the Planetarium grant project in Tijuana, which resulted also in a Paul Harris Fellow. **Jere** again presented the pins and **Wade** congratulated the recipients. These Paul Harris Fellows included **PP Bob Lewis** (9th) , **Trevor Tyloch** (3rd), **Nelson Buss** (3rd), and **Dave Friedl** (6th) .

WHY IT'S AN HONOR TO BE A PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AND FRIEND

"My hope for the future is 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, that Rotarians will continue to be purveyors of tolerance, forbearance, helpfulness, kindness, neighborliness, and friendliness; and that through our world-wide Rotary fellowship we shall ultimately achieve our goal of international understanding, goodwill, and peace." **Paul Harris**



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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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