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Program: November 14th

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Blue Microphones



Program: November 7th

Veteran's Day



Jennifer Strong introduced two World War II veterans, Leon Waldman and Barney Leone. One after the other they shared their experiences of serving our country in the military.

Leon spoke of his desire to be a gunner-bomber but ended up getting several levels of mechanic training. He flew over 8 countries occupied by the Germans and 50 missions and described how they served as a team of several planes and dodged the German airfire. He was grateful that so many of them survived. In his squadron only one man did not make it, but only because of a motorcycle accident.

Barney noted that he was in the Navy and he pointed to the model of his Navy ship that he had brought. He had been stationed in Pearl Harbor and was in full combat in Iwo Jima, where the Japanese were in tunnels under the island. He reminded us that the marines he knew that went onto the island to fight them never returned.

Barney said when he returned to Iwo Jima years later, he broke down and cried. Both Barney and Leon kept us in touch with the spirit of Veteran's Day. They reminded us to be thankful for our freedom, for many have died for it, and for our country.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Meeting

November 7, 2019

President Herb Gooch opened the meeting by having us pause for a Moment of Silence to remember those lost in the Borderline shooting exactly one year ago. He then reminded us that there would be a memorial celebration at the Conejo Creek Park and 3:15 today, where a memorial garden has been created.

Sharon Renshall shared her Moment of Inspiration about the beauty and significance of friendship. She included the friendship support shared by member **Carol Freeman** at the death of **Sharon's** husband. "friends," she said, "are God's way of taking care of us."

Chris Steele then led us in *God Bless America*.

Marissa Buss introduced visiting Rotarians Dwight Brown of Westlake Noon and Skip Roberts, former member and PP. Sandi Schwartz was also introduced as PDG as was William Wishard, Assistant DG for District 5280. **Marissa** then introduced **Sue Engler's** guests Scott O'Connell and her husband Bob, **Dave Stowell's** guest Muriel Raube, and **Jennifer Strong's** guests Anarg Frangos and Brad Uselmann.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Herb had several announcements: 1) New Member **Crystal Evans** received her Blue Badge, 2) **Judy Lazar** was so grateful for the support and care from so many in club after the sudden death of her husband, Roger, 3) **Neil Scribner** has been deemed the Don of the Conejo for the Historical Society Gala.

Jeff Borenstein announced World Series scorecard winners.

KT Connor thanked everyone who filled out PolioPlus cards, encouraging those who missed last week's World Polio Day program to consider picking up their card and contributing. This is the only time we're going to ask this year, she said, and it is vital to make the world polio-free.

Maria Prescott announced the Holiday Party at **Mike Jansen's** home.

Nate Harimoto announced the K-9 for Warriors Group 4 event.

Pat McCoy invited members to join the Economic Development meeting.

Ken Warner announced the Blood Drive in December.

Chris Steele and **Carol Robinson** announced the Holiday Meeting the 19th of December, and said be sure to let them know if you bring guests.

BIRTHDAYS

Nov 02 Burns, Dave
Nov 03 Furnari, Karen
Nov 04 Kusnierek, Greg
Nov 09 Cornwall, Barb
Nov 09 Tyloch, Trevor
Nov 12 Morrison, Matt
Nov 17 Masci, Felix
Nov 18 Bianchi, Robert
Nov 18 Runnells, Cary
Nov 23 Cousin, Heather
Nov 23 Gooch, Herb
Nov 23 Parks, Keith
Nov 24 Biery, Bob
Nov 24 Russell, Sharon
Nov 26 Connor, K. T.
Nov 28 Hayek, Victor
Nov 28 Scioscia, Mike
Nov 28 Wohl, Nancy

ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 01 Corey, Jason & Joni
Nov 07 Steele, Chris & Bill
Nov 09 Wender, Dave & Diane
Nov 11 Richardson, Niki & Jason
Nov 11 Scribner, Neal & Tricia
Nov 19 Kossoff, Ken & Klugman, Donna
Nov 20 Freeman, Carol & David
Nov 22 Baker, Larry & Skogi
Nov 22 McClellan, Andrea & David
Nov 25 Jones, Patricia & George



Happy \$\$\$\$

Lois Curran-Klein carried the cup.



Lois began the Happy dollars by reinforcing the K9s for Warriors Nethercutt Fund-raiser 1/25/2020 and told club members it was going to be a really fun afternoon. She added that she and David are leaving 11/9 for Cabo San Lucas for 2 Weeks.

Dave Wender celebrated his anniversary.

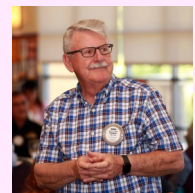
Nate Harimoto said that he and his wife Shirley just returned from 2 weeks in Japan where they successfully searched out the Harimoto family roots. They met with 5 members of his grandfather's family, and saw the house where his grandfather was born on a little island with no cars, and that is currently occupied by 29 people and 1 Harimoto.

Maria Prescott thanked veterans for their service and mentioned that she would be at the Vietnam Wall in D.C. on the 11th, this year being the 50th anniversary of her brother's death. Her brother would have been 79 on the 11th as well.



FINE SESSION

Fine Master was **Chris Lamia**, who produced ingenious quotes from famous people and asked finees to select from the list of authors. Those fined were **Matt Lallo, Maria Prescott, Kara Buss, Doug Messner, Lois Curran-Klein, John Bradly, Deborah Kniss, Monica Fuller, David Stowell, and Norm Nagel.**



Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks Honored by RI

Past District Governor Sandi Schwartz presented a Rotary International award to PP **Karen Furnari** to celebrate the accomplishments of the club last year.



88th Anniversary : Tijuana Rotary Club

Matt Lallo and Felix Masci and spouses joined the Tijuana Club in October and visited the Cancer Hospital supported by our club's efforts.





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Season of Giving **DONATE BLOOD**



**BLOOD
DRIVE**

The Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks Blood Drive

Thursday, Dec. 19th
10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
In the bloodmobile at
Los Robles Greens
299 S. Moorpark Road

To make an appointment, please
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

FOR THOSE WHO LOVE THE PHILOSOPHY OF AMBIGUITY,
AS WELL AS THE IDIOSYNCRASIES OF ENGLISH:



1. ONE TEQUILA, TWO TEQUILA, THREE TEQUILA.....FLOOR.
2. ATHEISM IS A NON-PROPHET ORGANIZATION.
3. IF MAN EVOLVED FROM MONKEYS AND APES, WHY DO WE STILL HAVE MONKEYS AND APES?
4. CAN AN ATHEIST GET INSURANCE AGAINST ACTS OF GOD?
5. I WENT TO A BOOKSTORE AND ASKED THE SALESWOMAN, "WHERE'S THE SELF- HELP SECTION?" SHE SAID IF SHE TOLD ME, IT WOULD DEFEAT THE PURPOSE.
6. WHAT IF THERE WERE NO HYPOTHETICAL QUESTIONS?
7. IF A DEAF CHILD SIGNS SWEAR WORDS, DOES HIS MOTHER WASH HIS HANDS WITH SOAP?
8. IF SOMEONE WITH MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES THREATENS TO KILL HIMSELF, IS IT CONSIDERED A HOSTAGE SITUATION?
9. DO INFANTS ENJOY INFANCY AS MUCH AS ADULTS ENJOY ADULTERY?
10. WHAT WAS THE BEST THING BEFORE SLICED BREAD?
11. WHY IS IT CALLED TOURIST SEASON IF WE CAN'T SHOOT AT THEM?
12. IF A PARSLEY FARMER IS SUED, CAN THEY GARNISH HIS WAGES?
13. IF YOU ATE BOTH PASTA AND ANTIPASTO, WOULD YOU STILL BE HUNGRY?
14. WHY DO THEY LOCK GAS STATION BATHROOMS? ARE THEY AFRAID SOMEONE WILL BREAK-IN AND CLEAN THEM?
15. IF A TURTLE DOESN'T HAVE A SHELL, IS HE HOMELESS OR NAKED?
16. CAN VEGETARIANS EAT ANIMAL CRACKERS?
17. IF THE POLICE ARREST A MUTE, DO THEY TELL HIM HE HAS THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT?
18. WHY DO THEY PUT BRAILLE ON THE DRIVE-THROUGH BANK MACHINES?
19. HOW DO THEY GET DEER TO CROSS THE ROAD ONLY AT THOSE YELLOW ROAD SIGNS?
20. HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE A CIVIL WAR?



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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	

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