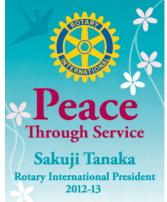
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In Memoriam: Dr. Irving Arem, 1915-2013

The Ventura Rotary family lost a dear member last week. The following is the text of Irv's obituary:

Irving "Irv" Arem, 97, of Ventura died Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at his home following a short illness. Irv was born October 23, 1915, in New York, New York, to Herman and Gussie Arem.



Irv graduated from New York University Dental School and practiced dentistry in Rochester, New York, for fortyfive years. He served in the United States Army Reserve Dental Corp, retiring as Major.

In 1982, Irv was preceded in death by his first wife of forty years, Jane Lafferty Arem. In 1986 Irv married Margueritte Moritz and moved to Ventura.

Irv had always been active in sports, having run track in college. He enjoyed the outdoors, golfing, tennis, and had traveled internationally. He was an avid bridge player in American Contract Bridge League for many years and had also participated with his children in the Boy Scouts of America. He and his wife Margie attended Ventura Missionary Church.

Irv had been an active member in the Rotary Club of Ventura for the past twenty five years.

He is survived by his wife Margueritte "Margie" Arem of Ventura; son and daughter-in-law, Jonathan and Gail Arem of Ventura; sons, Christopher Arem of Rochester, New York, and Timothy "T-Bone" Arem of Ashville, North Carolina; grandsons, Andrew Arem and Zachary Arem, and his wife Stephanie; brother, Jonas Arem of Atlanta, Georgia. He was preceded in death by his sister and brother-in-law, Sylvia and Murray Kass.

A memorial service will be held **Tuesday, May 14, 2013, 4 p.m., at the Ted Mayr Funeral Home**, 3150 Loma Vista Road, Ventura, with The Reverend Gary Archer officiating.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Algonquin Campership Fund, 500 East Avenue, Rochester, New York 14607. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ted Mayr Funeral Home, Ventura.

Today: Craft Talks



Two members will speak to us today. Chris Brashears first joined Ventura Rotary in the 1990s and after a brief hiatus, rejoined us in 2007. Chris works at Advantage Telecom.

Ajay Dhebar gave his craft talk in March but returns today to expand on his position as Director of Marketing with our local professional soccer club, the Ventura County Fusion.



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Recap of May 01, 2013 meeting

The Prayer of Serenity was offered up by Betsy Chess. Rose Ann Hill soloed with "My Country 'tis of Thee." Sheila Fatarelli asked the club for volunteers to help at the pancake breakfast coming up on May a8th at the Avenue Senior Center. Terry Schaeffer announced plans in the works for another Club Social on June 13 at the Ventura Yacht Club.

President Indy thanked the club members who showed up for the Rotarians at Work Day, held at the Veterans Home in Saticoy. Michael Scar used his Rotary Moment about taking a cruise 10 years ago and he did a makeup on a ship, meeting fellow Rotarians from all over.

May 1 is Charter Day for the Ventura Rotary club. We are 94 years old.

Prez Indy, in his weekly Tour de Club, acknowledged Ron Bamieh's roasting at the demotion parties, as well as Joe Richards, John Brant, Steve Bradvica, Bob Cheatham and Erik Feingold.

Program

The program was introduced by Hutch Hutchinson. Judge Brian Back and Michael Planet are both part of the Ventura County Superior Court; and Judge Back is Presiding Judge and Michael is Executive Officer and Clerk.

The first part of the pairs' presentation was light, with Judge Back admitting that, "No one really wants to go to court." Working at the courts require a low humor threshold. The duo then launched into a supposedly real dialogue of attorneys and witnesses in court, often reaching absurd dimensions.

The balance of the presentation pointed out the real issues confronting the courts here in the county. The budgets for the Ventura County Superior Court fell from 48 million in 2010-11 to 36 million in 2011-2012. The real impact of these cuts is "access to justice " in a timely manner. The obvious effects are layoffs and furloughs throughout the system- the almost complete closure of court facilities in Simi Valley is severe. Other consequences include turning away some 4000 people from the curtailed Family Law help center. Custody disputes now often wait 7-11 weeks.



The current cutbacks at the Superior Court has left the institution 10.7 judges short and 192 personnel short to meet the existing court demands.



Judge Brian Back relates some hunor he has encountered during his time on the bench.



Michael Plant warns of the crisis of "access to justice" in the face of severe budget cuts.



Cheryl Heitman relates a Happy Dollar event, while Sergeant-at-Arms Terri Adams looks on.



Rose Ann Hill leads the club in its patriotic song.

Upcoming Events Rotary Pancake Breakfast- VOLUNTEER! Avenue Senior Center May 18, 2013 08:00 - 11:30 AM

Club Social Ventura Yacht Club Jun 13, 2013 Times TBD

President Indy's Demotion Crowne Plaza Hotel Jun 18, 2013 05:00 PM



Michael Scar uses his Rotary Moment to recall meeting Rotarians from far and wide.



Betsy Chess offers her favorite prayer for her invocation..



Joe Richards speaks of his pleasure in rejoining Ventura Rotary.

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