

# ROTARY SPOKES

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## The Campus Point Axe Murders

Today's speakers are Steve Bowman and Chuck Hookstra. They will be discussing the Campus Point Homicides. Bowman's firm is investigating this cold case for the University Police Department and we'll talk about a real life investigation that could not be solved in 60 minutes like they do on television.



the crime. She said too many years have gone by and funds to continue the investigation have been stretched too thin, leaving her with no more answers now than she had 43 years ago. "These cases are never closed — they're just forgotten about," she said. "Time goes by, other murders happen, events happen and it gets forgotten.

On July 4, 1970, Tommy Dolan and Thomas Hayes, both 17, traveling with 20-year-old Homer Shadwick, were camping on the beach when they were attacked by an unknown assailant wielding some kind of bladed weapon. Officer Mark Signa, spokesman for the UC Police Dept. (UCPD), said the perpetrator killed Dolan and Shadwick — who were hitchhiking to L.A. after seeing a fireworks show at Candlestick Park in San Francisco — and severely wounded Hayes. In March 2004, Donna Dolan, the mother of Tommy Dolan, asked the UCPD to reopen the case and re-examine evidence found at the scene of the crime using modern crime-solving techniques.

"They were attacked while on the beach," Signa said. "Tommy Dolan and Homer Shadwick were murdered. Hayes survived. The unknown subject had a knife, machete or some other sharp instrument."

Donna Dolan said she asked the police to reopen the case when, nearing her 80th birthday, she needed to find some closure concerning her son's death. By reopening the case now, she said she hopes the police will be able to unearth some DNA evidence pointing to a suspect, possibly from a hatchet that was recovered in connection with

She said she has resigned herself to the idea that she may never find out who killed her son or watch them stand trial. While his death is often on her mind, she said, she has little to do but hope for a resolution. "With all the new technology, perhaps it's just a matter of time," she said. "I think the odds are 50-50 [that the murder will be solved]. I'm not going to say they're 100-to-one against me, because that's not what I want to know and that's not what I want to think ... I may never know, but at least I need to try." Dolan said all she and her family can do is remember Tommy Dolan and hope that someone remembers the three men sleeping on a beach 43 years ago and knows what happened to them.

"You think about the person every day — it's especially hard around holiday times. You think what he would have been like, would he have gone to Vietnam, would he have had a family," she said. "He probably would have been just like his dad — they were like peas in a pod and were the same in looks and emotional makeup. They were very quiet people ... I can never believe that there isn't somebody in the Santa Barbara area that doesn't know what happened."

*This was adapted from a 2005 article in the Daily Nexus, the independent student-run newspaper of UCSB*

## Recap of November 13 Meeting

Kristin Taylor led the invocation, in which she urged members to think of the victims of the devastating Philippine typhoon, and to count our blessings. "America the beautiful" was led by Staci Johnson and RoseAnn Hill.

In announcements, club members are reminded to bring cans for the Rotaract/ Food Share event; Ellyn Dembowski announced more details of the upcoming Club Christmas Party and Mary Kay Doubek and Linda Roos urged more members to join in the Children's Holiday Party. Curtis Cormane asked club Facebook members to 'share' the Coats for Kids info. December 14 has been designated as our Rotary Club Salvation Army Bellringers day at various sites around town. Watch for the sign up sheets.

On November 21st Lynda Girtsman is hosting a New Generations social at her home, beginning at 5:30.

Steve Doll shared that Mark Kirwin is heading to Philippines to assist in disaster relief and that he might join him. In that vein, special fine slips for Shelterboxes were passed out to help Filipinos.

Dick Hatcher presented an award for the Paul Harris Society, which honors those who are giving \$1000 annually to Rotary, to Gary Wolfe.

Sally Crain fined on dogs, including strange modern mixed-breeds. The Rotary Moment was presented by Mario de la Piedra who recounted when Warren Lovell spoke to the Interact club.

### Program

President Irene introduced Kerry Wolny, a regional Postmaster of the USPS who gave an interesting accounting of the states of the Postal Service.

After a brief history of the service, including when stamps were 3 cents (in mid 1800s) and that, in 1775, Ben Franklin was the first postmaster general, he shared the challenges the USPS faces today. After a decline in volume of pieces processed, the numbers are expected to rise because of internet shipping. They would like to suspend Saturday mail delivery, but add weekend package delivery, as well as change health care policies for its workers to further save money.

## Today's Program

### *The Campus Point Axe Murders*

Introductions:

Curtis Cormane

Rotary Moment:

Courtney Lindberg

Fining:

Dave Wellik



## Ventura Rotary Club's *Holiday Schedule*

**Holiday Party**  
Fri., Dec. 6, 5:30 p.m.  
Ann Deal's House

**Children's Party**  
Wed., Dec. 11, 8:00 a.m.  
JC Penney, VUSD

**Bell-ringing**  
Sat., Dec. 14

**Regular Meeting**  
Wed., Dec. 18, Noon  
Derby Club

**DARK**  
Wed., Dec. 25, Noon  
Wed., Jan. 01, Noon



*Guest Speaker Kerry Wolny shares some interesting future goals of the Postal Service.*





*Curtis Cormane, the club's Facebook administrator, urges members to share information.*



*Barbara Asbell shares a story of her grandkids during Happy Dollars.*



*Steve Doll announced that he may involved in Philippine disaster relief.*



*For his Rotary Moment, Mario de la Piedra recounts a recent Interact meeting.*



*Congratulations to Gary Wolfe on becoming our latest Paul Harris Society benefactor.*



*Dick Hatcher shares the importance of giving to the Rotary Foundation.*



## One full year of no polio cases in the Southern Region of Afghanistan

Afghanistan's Southern Region has today, for the first time ever, reached one full year without any reported cases of wild poliovirus, giving a boost to the country's fight against the crippling disease. This milestone will encourage the polio effort in the Eastern Region, which continues to fight an outbreak of polio that has seen nine cases reported so far this year.

Kandahar and Helmand have long been identified as the epicentres of polio in Afghanistan as one of the most persistent reservoirs of poliovirus globally. This unprecedented progress is a sign of the effectiveness of the polio eradication strategies and their implementation. It is also a testament to the commitment of the Government of Afghanistan, community representatives, partners and donor countries, and to the effective implementation of the National Emergency Action Plan's innovative approaches to gain access to areas where children previously were not being reached with the oral polio vaccine.

At the same time, many areas of the country still have low levels of routine immunization coverage and it is now more important than ever that we all redouble our efforts to build the immunity of children across the country with polio vaccine to stop transmission of the virus. The Ministry of Public Health, WHO and UNICEF are committed to doing this.



### Upcoming Events

**December 6;  
Club Holiday Party**

**December 11;  
Children's Holiday Party**

#### November Birthdays

Steve Warriner, Nov 01  
Ed Summers, Nov 03  
Gary Wolfe, Nov 03  
Jeff King, Nov 04  
Ajay Keshap, Nov 13  
Sheila Fattarelli, Nov 16  
Ed McCombs, Nov 16  
Tom Wolfe, Nov 18  
Mark Sauer, Nov 28  
Terry Schaeffer, Nov 28

#### November Anniversaries

Steve Doll, Nov 10  
BJ Jelaca, Nov 15  
Steve Bradvica, Nov 17  
Daniel Holmes, Nov 20  
Gary Wolfe, Nov 27

# 50%

Reduction in  
polio cases  
this year in  
Nigeria.

\*YTD vs. 2012



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