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SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

DECEMBER 2018 - SPEAKER

 21
 DARK

 Holidays

 28
 DARK

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JANUARY 2019 - SPEAKER

Dr. Bob Uslander
Integrated Medicine

The California Cogs Rotary Band was formed in 2009 and we played our first gig in January 2010 (Rotary International Conference at the Hyatt downtown). The California Cogs offer musical entertainment at a reduced rate with all net proceeds going to the Rotary Foundation. To date, the band has raised \$6,832 for charity, comprised of \$4,857 for our Club and \$1,975 for other organiza-

tions. This does not include the significant benefit of the savings that accrue to our Club by not having to hire musical entertainment for its events. The band performs classic hits from the '50s, '60s, '70s, '80s Pop, Rock, Country, R&B, Jazz, Blues and more.

To book the band, call Dave Davis @ 619-548-5000

THE CALIFORNIA COGS



DAVE DAVIS, JOHN HAWKINS, JOYCE MCHUGH, DENNIS BUCKO, REBECCA NEWLIN, SCOTT WOOD, RON KOHL

Current Line-up (in alphabetical order):

Dennis Bucko - **singer**, **rhythm guitar**, **harmonica**. Dennis is a physician specializing in plastic surgery and a member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club.

Dave Davis - lead guitar, band leader. Dave is a real estate appraiser and consultant, has been a guitar player for over 50 years, has played in rock bands since 1981 and is a member of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club.

John Hawkins - keyboards. A media consultant, John writes and speaks on business and technology, was a radio and TV personality and executive, and is a member of the Rotary Club of Rancho Bernardo, and formerly Rotary Club of La Jolla.

Ron Kohl - drums. Ron has played percussion for decades, performs in a church praise band and is a member and former president of the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club.

Joyce McHugh - singer. Joyce has been lead singer in many professional bands and very recently, an actor. Rebecca Newlin - singer. Rebecca is also an actor in a variety of productions and is a member of the Rotary Club of Camp Pendleton.

Scott Wood - singer, bass guitar. Scott is a marriage and family therapist and has been performing music for many years.

REPORT from the last meeting





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IS IT
FAIR TO ALL
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WILL IT
BUILD GOODWILL
AND BETTER
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With President Rick Binder away at his daughter's wedding, President Elect Kim Shafer opened the meeting by introducing Rick distinguished **Clark**, our Rotarian of the Day. He talked about December 7. Pearl Harbor Day, 77 years ago, and asked that we remember the many people in the armed services who paid the ultimate sacrifice for America over the years. He also showed a touching video commemorating his service as a U.S. Navy SEABEE in Vietnam over 50 years ago. The sound track was a poem he wrote during that time and an emotional rendition of the song, "The Rose". To quote from his poem, "Walk on, Young ManWalk On"

Ranjan Lahiri introduced our visiting Rotarians, UCSD and SDSU Rotaractors, and other guests. Kevin Carson introduced a number of visitors who were involved with our recent Police project.

Announcements included Jim Davies reminding volunteers of the OZ project the following

day; **Brett Morey** talked about the Para-surfing event and how wonderful **Jim Frost** and his wife are to host at their house 6 surfers from Argentina; **Bradley** and **Eden** asked us to sign up to be mentors to UCSD Rotaractors; and **Lori Bende** encouraged everyone to register and pay for the Holiday party on December 15.

On October 13, we painted and cleaned the San Diego Police Training Center. Lt. Mistv Cedrun and supervisor thanked everyone involved for their hard work and talked about the work they do providing 25,000-30,000 hours of training each quarter. Lt. Cedrun called Jim Davies, "Kevin on steroids," and said that our work greatly improved morale of all the people at the Center. At the end of the meeting, Kevin **Carson** showed a video made by **Rick Clark** of the project. It looks like we are really becoming painting experts.

Keeping with the day's military theme, **Lt. Misty Cedrun** introduced our prestigious

speaker. her husband. USN Captain (Retired) Mark Cedrun, who commanded the USS Boxer. The ship participated in the rescue of Capt. Phillips, who was kidnapped by Somali pirates in 2009. Capt. Phillips' ship was the first registered under an American flag to be captured by pirates since the early 1800s. It was a fascinating and exciting story and easy to see why a movie would be made from the event. Capt. Cedrun described details of the rescue and after 5 days, **Capt. Phillips** was saved, with 3 of the 4 pirates, killed by SEAL snipers. He ended his presentation with a stirring video showing America's military might.

Kim closed the meeting with an amusing pun combining chess with a seasonal holiday song.

Respectfully submitted, **Jennifer Schaffer**





PHOTOS from the last meeting











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01.....Tony Grillo



Dave Davis was born in and lived the first 18 years

of his life in the mysterious cosmopolitan city of Bakersfield, California. Dave is the second of three children (brother Jeremy and sister Faith) born to Joe and Mary Davis in the 1950's.

After graduating from Bakersfield High School (go Drillers), in 1973, Dave relocated to San Diego to attend San Diego State University (go Aztecs), where he joined Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and helped establish a Chapter of Rho Epsilon, the academic real estate fraternity. While in college, he became a licensed California Real Estate Salesman in 1976 a few months before turning 21.

After graduating from SDSU in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Real Estate, he began working for Union Bank as an appraiser in their major construction loan department. At age 22, he became a California licensed Real Estate Broker. He uses his broker's license on his own behalf.

After a lateral move to Wells Fargo Bank in 1983, Dave earned his MAI

designation from the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, (No. 6892 since the Institute was established in 1930 and, at the time, was the youngest ever to do so). A 1.5-year stint with a small real estate development and syndication firm followed where he oversaw acquisitions, construction, leasing and property management.

Dave founded D.F. Davis Real Estate, Inc. in 1986 and has been an independent appraiser and consultant for the past 32 years. Dave has three children from his first marriage and two granddaughters. His second marriage to Susan Kinney resulted in his family growing with two stepsons and a grandson and granddaughter. All five children were in college when Dave and Susan got married! Dave and Susan live in Rancho San Diego.

Dave's hobbies are music and politics with not enough travel and exercise. He is busy playing his guitar with the California Cogs, classic rock band, Phil 'N The Blanks and a solo gig on Friday evenings at Ranas Mexico City Cuisine restaurant. The Cogs are Dave's ongoing Rotary project. To date, the Cogs have raised \$6,832 for Rotary and other charitable organizations.