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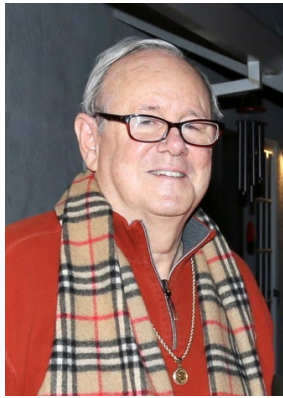
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Remembering Don Sullivan



Dublin Rotarians were saddened to hear of the passing of long-time member Don Sullivan on November 26, 2017. Don joined Dublin Rotary in 1984 while serving as the Manager of the Dublin Holiday Inn. Don was a very generous Rotarian, honored regularly as a member of the Paul Harris Society signifying at least \$1,000 in annual contributions. He was active in the establishment of the Rotary Club of Dublin Foundation and served on its Board of Directors was several years. He was a world traveler and always remembered to bring a significant and/or humorous gift to the current Dublin Rotary President.

Don was born in New York City in 1943 but was taken to Lima Peru in 1946 and lived there five years. He always said he learned to speak Spanish before English. Later, he lived in Briarcliff Manor, New York and graduated from the New York Military Academy in 1961; four years later he graduated from Cornell University. He attended officer candidate school at Fort Benning, Georgia and served in Viet Nam until 1968.

He began his hospitality career with Pan American World Airways based in New York City and Honolulu and served as an in-flight supervisor with Pan Am and Eastern Airlines for 10 years. He flew over 2 million miles (4,000 hours) to virtually every large city in the world. He even did airboats. In his words, he "bummed around, it was great!" In the late 1970's he helped open the Sheraton, Waikiki in Honolulu as food and beverage director. In the 1980's he worked for Hilton International, which is headquartered at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel offices in New York City.



Don also held two California teaching credentials and up until his retirement in 1988, he taught in various schools near Dublin. He and his late wife Peggy moved to the Palm Springs area for a while and later returned

to Dublin Rotary. His new wife Kathy and Don lived in San Ramon.

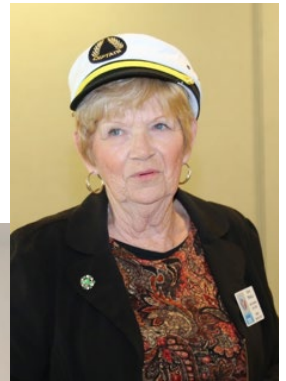
Don was a true and friendly gentleman and enjoyed bringing the club unusual tidbits of information. We all have very fond memories of Don Sullivan.

Around the Room



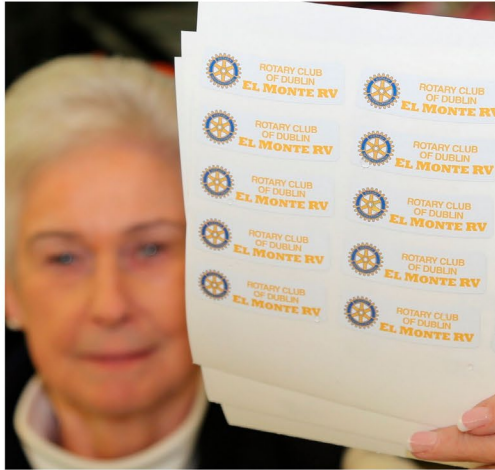
Dublin Rotarians are geared up for a rest – there has been a lot going on, capped recently by the club Christmas Party and bicycle assembly and distribution. These are all pictured elsewhere in this issue. We also said our goodbyes to Ron Mazur, moving to Auburn. He claims it is to be close to family; we suspect that by giving up his Dublin Rotary activities, he plans to gain an extra four or five hours a day. Most of us would agree that Ron has been the most prolific volunteer in the club over an extended period of time, but mostly all carried out in his unique, behind the scenes, low-key style. Ron will be missed. We'll carry on more about Ron in the next issue. You can see his involvement in the 150 photo chart which is repeated in this issue.

Mona brought Prez Patty a captain's hat from her recent exotic cruise; Dennis brought remembrances of Paso Robles and Las Vegas. Time for the rest of us to catch up on those presidential gifts!



Here are Interactor of the Month Haley Tjon, Ally Loo the Interact Co-President, along with Haley's parents Jon and Nicole and Bryan. Not present were Cat DeGuzman and Gabriella Cherrier, the Interactors of the month for September and October. Thanks to Bryan Benton and Leann Nobida for forging a strong partnership with DHS Interactors!





Robotics for Children



Bill Nott from the Rotary Club of Castro Valley spoke on the subject Robotics for Children recently. His organization, FIRST, is For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology. Their motto is Igniting

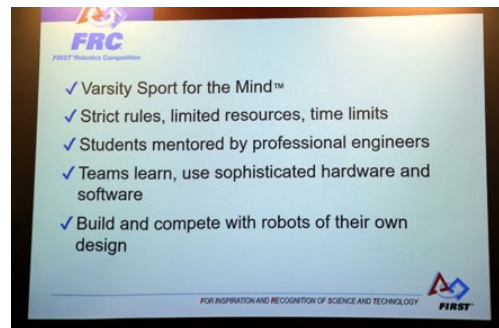
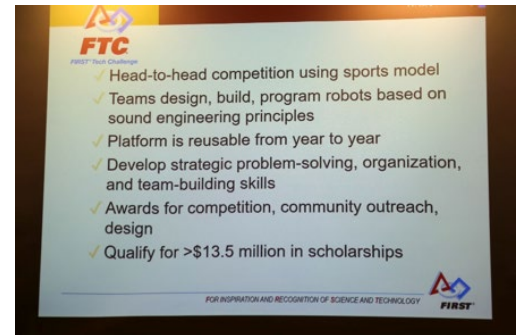
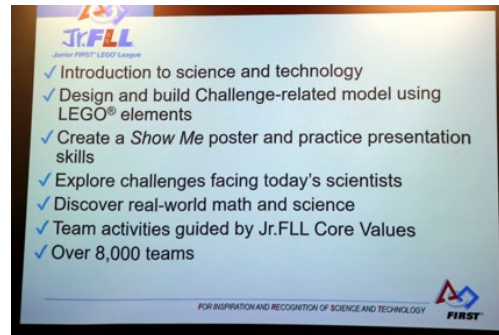
young lives, Teaching life skills, Nurturing passions for science and technology, and Practicing gracious professionalism.

This impressive program is devoted to helping young people develop

- a passion for STEM,
- critical, strategic, tactical thinking
- teamwork
- project planning and execution
- presentation and communication
- a society – technology connections, and core values

They do this through a spirit of friendly competitions at different grade levels: K-3, 4-8, 7-12 and 9-12. Their competitions are described in these slides:

This is a great program designed to provide guidance, support and direction for young people.



Linda Smith Talks Dublin



Who better to talk about Dublin than Assistant City Manager Linda Smith? Dublin has 60,000 residents, about one-quarter of them under 20 years and only 12 percent over 60. The average home income is \$150,000, the median home price is \$891,000 and 52 percent have at least

a bachelor's degree. There are over 2,000 businesses, eight million square feet of commercial development and only a 2.8% unemployment rate. In the past 10 years 7,000 residential units have been completed, making Dublin one of the fastest growing cities in the state.

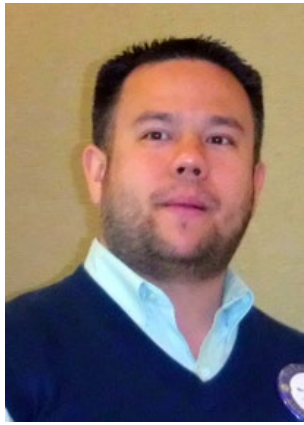
Public investment recently has included the Wave waterpark, Dougherty Road improvements, a new Police Services building, Fallon Sports Park, Jordan Ranch Park and the East County Hall of Justice. The list of new private development underway or approved is quite impressive. In the downtown, there is Perch, Valor Crossing, Aster, Dublin Place and Avesta – mostly upscale residences. Elsewhere in town Boulevard at Camp Parks, the Aloft Hotel and Kaiser Campus under construction, Grafton Plaza, Zeiss Innovation Center, Wallis Ranch and Tassajara Hills are all approved and moving ahead.





Student Exchange Program

By Bryan Benton



A recent presentation by Kevin Greenlee was about the Foreign Student Exchange Program. He is hosting a student this year, Pascal Webber from Switzerland and is attending Foothill High School. Pascal spoke about his experience here and a little background about his hometown.

Earlier this year, Marian Chen approached us to sponsor her as an outbound student for the Rotary International Foreign Student Exchange program, which the board approved to sponsor her. Marian had been officially accepted by the Rotary International Foreign Student Exchange program just a couple days prior to the meeting. She will not find out until end of January to which country she has been matched with. She is hopeful that she will be able to go to Germany. She has studied a year of German. She follows in the footsteps of two older sisters who in the past have studied abroad.

Marian Chen also presented along with Kevin Greenlee and Pascal Webber. She told us about herself, her family, and thanked Rotary for her sponsorship.

Students of the Month

On November 7 the DHS Students of the month included Michael Tomlinson, Neil Bedi, and Racheal Matheny. Bryan Benton and Leann Nobida helped with the ceremonies. There is also a future student of the month pictured.





CHP Update



Recent speaker Officer Tyler Hahn, a 15-year CHP veteran gave us an update on what's happening in the CHP. For the past 10 years Tyler has worked out of the Dublin office, initially with former Dublin Rotarian Captain Mitch Mueller. He is the public information officer for the local CHP and does not regularly have patrol duties at this time. When he spoke, Dublin Rotary was discussing our bike distribution program scheduled for December

20; everyone present thought it would be great if he could be there to represent the CHP and provide bicycling pointers to the youngsters who would be receiving bikes that day. As this is being written, that day is today and Officer Hahn did indeed appear at the Fallon Middle School to assist in the event. He talked to each bike recipient and told them the importance of always wearing the helmet they were provided and to ride safely at all times. The kids were very appreciative and respectful of his presentation!

His presentation was casual, but informative with a lot of Q&A. Winter driving is at hand and he stressed the importance of making sure tires, windshield wipers and headlights were all in good shape. He reminded us that when the wipers are going, the headlights should be on. Newer cars may provide this link automatically, but older cars do not; some do not have automatic headlight switches activated even in the dark.

Cell phone laws have tightened up – now it is illegal to drive with a cell phone in your hands. Hands free is OK. Car seat laws are also more stringent – children under eight years or 4 feet 9 inches must use car seats and for under two year olds, they must be rear-facing, not front or even side-facing in the case of Don's RVs. He talked about the great effective range of Lidar, as compared with radar. Lidar has a tight, compact beam and can spot you thousands of feet away.

However, there are not nearly enough officers on duty to effectively patrol the freeways. The Dublin office covers I-580 from Eden Canyon to Mountain House and I-680 from Diablo Road to Scott Creek Road near the south County line. There may be only two or three officers for each highway, at least until there are accidents, incidents or even situations on all unincorporated roadways patrolled by the CHP. In those situations, which occur regularly, there are fewer patrol vehicles.



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Spectrum Helps Seniors



Laura Calvert, the Executive Director of Spectrum Community Services, was a recent speaker. Spectrum assists low-income and disadvantaged individuals, families and seniors in their efforts to live independently. They offer—in partnership with local service organizations—a wide variety of community programs and services. Her presentation focused on three of their programs: LiHEAP, Weatherization, and Meals on Wheels.

LiHEAP is their low income home energy assistance Program. It provides annual payments to assist in payment of energy costs. The 21,000 clients receive an average of around \$150 per year to assist in things like PG&E bills.



The winterization program, offers more assistance, but to fewer recipients. The weatherization programs address

windows, doors, appliances, water savings, insulation, water heaters, energy saving light bulbs, weather stripping, ventilation, CO and smoke detectors, and solar water heaters. This program provides an average of \$2,500 for these items to about 1,000 recipients. Both programs are oversubscribed with waiting lists.

Meals on Wheels provides more than just a daily meal five days a week. They provide a daily friendly visit and safety check. The meals that are provided are nutritious and prepared for a variety of dietary needs. Each meal includes low sodium, Vitamins C and A, Protein, and Fiber. Stanford Healthcare-Valley Care Hospital provide Meals on Wheels. Over 300 seniors are provided these meals by 80+ volunteers. Although 44,000 meals were provided in 2016-17, the need this year has increased to 53,000 meals and funds are not available at this time. Now there is a wait list of 22 person. The meals cost \$9 to prepare. This is a very beneficial program for the recipients.



Giving Away the Bikes







DUBLIN ROTARY MEMBERSHIP

*Ackley, Dennis '97•	Sheet Metal	*Kyle Michael E. '75•	Attorney
Anyosa, John '14	Advocate	*Leuchi, Jeff '96•	Printing
*Bennett, Rich '95•	Pension Consulting	Lewis, Lucricia '16	Education
Benton, Bryan '13•	Restaurant	Manuchehri, Parvin '11•	Financial Planning
Biddle, Don '05•	Retired	Marty, Shamekka '16	Life Coach
Boschetti, Rich '12•	Barrel-busting	*Mazur, Ron '85•	Real Estate
Brown, Alan '13	Business & Security	*Miller, Dennis J. '79•	Chiropractor
Brown, Tinarsha '16	Realtor	*Moy, William '89•	CPA
*Carvacho, Bo '08•	Sports	*Price, Don '09•	Recreation Vehicles
Ceizler, Harold '69•	Dentist	Pringle, Patty '13	Tax Advisor
*Damaser, Larry '09•	Insurance	Raney, Ed '96•	CPA
*Delaporte, Tim '09•	Financial	Rouse, Megan '14	Financial Planning
Della, Kamal '11•	Real Estate Investments	Ruhullah, Yusuf '14•	Medical
Denlinger, Lee '04•	Educator	*Shurson, Stacey '90•	Insurance Broker
*Dunlop, Mona '94•	Travel	Smith, Linda '12	Economic Development
Fisher, Gary '16	Retired	Stanford, Athena '06	Sales Manager
Grier, Kevin '16	Education	Strah, Melissa '13	Dental
Hanke, Steve '12•	Education	Sullivan, Don '84•	Retired
Haubert, David '13	City Council Member	Tan, Larry '16	Insurance
Herbstman, Cliff '68•	Telephone Wizard	*Thalblum, Janine '09•	Insurances
Herrera, Beverly '15	Realtor	*Tucknott, Bob '73•	Electrical Contractor
Hodsdon, Daniel '16	Family Law	Watanabe, Jerry '72•	Orthodontist
Ichiuji, John '83•	Dentistry		
Jenkins, Stephany '11	Real Estate		
Johnson, Pamela '07•	Retired		
*Kinzel, Chris D. '87•	Traffic Engineer		
Kulick, MC '09•	Content Marketing		