

The Voice of the Vineyards

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"The mission of a bulletin is inform the membership,
comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable"

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WELCOME—President Richard Norgrove

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE--Richard Norgrove

VISITING ROTARIANS

- None

GUESTS of ROTARIANS





- ✓ Eben Demong from Martinez Refining Company

QUOTE OF THE DAY - "Success is not final; failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **Dick Cochran** – “Green Hair Day” quickly approaches. This fundraiser has been our principal method for raising funds for the eradication of polio, helping Rotary International to bolster its PolioPlus initiatives and more, such as COVID-19 relief. A solicitation letter went out to all members to be shared with friends, families and business associates. **Graham Freeman** continuous to be one of our most successful campaigners and shared his secret method with the club. A spreadsheet ranking candidates as potential donors, personalize your letter, follow up and thank the donors.
- ❖ President **Richard Norgrove** - District Board Meeting Jan 15 from 9 to 12PM via Zoom. More information on the District website

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

 Jean Herschede	Jan 01
 John Torres	Jan 09
 Eric Drew	Jan 11
 Wally Schultz	Jan 11

✚ Nita Parker	Jan 12 - \$72 to Green Hair Day
✚ Jim Brenton	Jan 14
✚ Andy Elkind	Jan 25 - \$64 to his Paul Harris to acknowledge that he is about to begin the “top of the 8 th inning”
✚ Jean Herschede	Jan 27 - \$64 to the Club
✚ Paul Sullivan	Jan 28
✚ Rich Bottarini	Jan 29
✚ Barbara Rosen	Jan 31 - \$25 to the Club

HAPPY DOLLARS RECOGNITION

➤ Bob & Barbara Pedroncelli	Jan 13	43 years - \$43 to the Scholarship Fund
➤ Paul & Judy Jones	Jan 16	7 years – Not present
➤ Jerry & Allison Ogden	Jan 24	58 years - \$58 to Green Hair Day
➤ Don & Nancy Mitchell	Jan 27	43 years - \$50 to the Club

TODAY’S PROGRAM: Introduction by **President Richard Norgrove**

Mr. Eben Demong from Martinez Refining Company
Regulation and Industry Partner to Improve the Environment

Mr Demong gave an overview of Controls Systems Engineering as it applies to the Oil Refining Industry and described some of the methods of automating process to be operated in a safe and efficient manner. The advantages of automation versus manual controls are noticeable;

- Cyclical Repetition
- Powered
- Breakdown & Repair
- 4 Adjustments/Second
- Small Changes
- Greater Stability

Why Refine Oil?

- Transportation Fuels – Gasoline, Diesel, Jet Fuel, Marine Oil
- Synthetics, Specialty Chemicals
- Heating, Power

MTBE was banned in California in 2003, since other oxygenators that are safer for the environment have been substituted. Regulatory agencies require continuous emissions monitoring including compositions of particulates released to the environment, drains and sea. Industry partners with Federal EPA (Environmental Protection Agency), State’s BAAQMD (Bay Area Air Quality Management District) and City officials to continuously improve the regulatory process. Currently there are over 50 regulations that govern the Refining and other Industrial facilities.

President **Richard Norgrove** adjourned the meeting and thank everyone!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- ✓ **Jan 17th:** Dark – Martin Luther King Day
- ✓ **Jan 24th:** Craft Talks from **Doug Lyle** and **Pat Williams**