

APRIL 3, 2017

Drawing **Sam Ross** ; Words, **Gina McBride**;
Pledge, **David Harrison**; Greeter, **TBA**;
Roto-Rooter: **Patty Johnson**; Reporter: **An Lu**

PROGRAM

THE NORTH 40, CHRIS CALKINS

Apr 10: Kay Ledson, Walk Across America.
Apr 17: Dark
Apr 24: Jeff Kern, SONG
May 1: Celia Brewer, Carlsbad Attorney
May 8: Chris Epting, SoCal Baseball History
May 15: Susan Taylor, Scripps Gadgets, Gizmos and Good Health

OTHER EVENTS

Mar 30-31: Raising Readers Bookfaire, Jefferson Elementary, refer **Rick Grove**
Apr 7-9: RYLA Weekend, refer **Mike Metts**
Apr 29: Rotarians at Work Day
Sept 9: Brewfest; refer **JR Phillips**

MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2017

Welcome: President **Dawn Van Siclen** was absent today, so Past President **Stan Prowse** presided over the meeting. **Steve "Sunshine" Mott** led the "Smile" song, accompanied by Kathy Choi. **Gloria Foote** provided the day's words about walking with/carrying a donkey, Kori Dolkas led the Pledge, and **Mott** led us in "My Country Tis of Thee." Guests were introduced.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speech Contest: **Alice McDermott** reported that the club's winner, Josh Tran, placed second in the subregionals and will compete again on April 7 at the Chula Vista Rotary.

Bookfaire: **Rick Grove** announced that the Raising Readers Bookfaire will commence this week. Thursday is the set-up at 4pm (Jefferson Elementary), and the bookfaire is Friday from 8:30 to 11:30am.



AVID Conference: Chairman **Ken Clark** showed the group photograph of the 21 Rotarians and 50 students at last week's AVID Conference. He asked all participants to stand and be recognized. **Bob Kreisberg** also remarked that "the best single thing that was done at the conference was the booklet put together by **Ken Clark** of Rotarian responses to the

students' questions. "It's remarkable; it's equivalent to 20 Who Am I's."

The Rotary Foundation: **Mimi Gaffey** reviewed Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY), saying it was an easy way to fulfill your RI obligations and to assist in the funding of Rotary projects worldwide.

Model UN: **Joy Prowse** indicated that 80 students will be at USD, Peace Center, on April 8 and 9 for the Model UN program.

ROTO-ROOTER LAURA SHERIDAN-CAMPBELL

Laura Sheridan-Campbell was pitch-hitting for scheduled RR Phil Urbina (but he's having additional knee surgery), and so she began:



• **Ken Clark** – praising him for his encouraging and affirming leadership at the AVID conference. Thanks so much Ken. No fine.

• **Gloria Foote** – speaking to the Business Department at CSUSM on leadership and business ethics for 100 students; \$25 fine.

• **Jim Brubaker** – in absentia, **Sheridan-Campbell** read his Facebook post about his hospital room.

• **Rick Grove** – a special day walking his daughter down the aisle in Temecula . . . but it went astray when **Sheridan-Campbell** identified that **Grove** was an "online-ordained minister . . . and he did 20 weddings last year . . . in his two-bit worthy ministry." So there; \$40 fine.

• Wedding anniversaries . . . only **Yvonne**

Finocchiaro was present and she reported she and her husband define their anniversary years differently; fined \$38.

- **Mike Metts** – a TN and KY resident was asked if he needed counseling after the KY basketball loss. No, he responded, because he became a great-uncle today. No fine.
- **George Sullivan** – missing anything? His coffee carafe was left at the AVID conference. Fine, \$10 . . . but **Sullivan** said he only paid \$4.99 for the mug.
- **Laura Sheridan-Campbell** concluded by seriously thanking all the first responders and members at last week's meeting who so efficiently took care of member **Bruce Stewart** (present today and looking hardy). "We're so glad you're okay, Bruce. The responders sprang into action and the membership brought support. Thank you to everyone. That's why I'm so proud of this club."



PROGRAM

MATT TUCKER, NORTH COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT

Mark Packard introduced Matt Tucker, indicating that Tucker had an MA in transportation and urban planning, had worked in Phoenix, Santa Clara, and for the State of Virginia. Tucker now lives in Carlsbad and assisted NCTD return to a financially healthy state.

Matt Tucker opened his remarks stating that NCTD is extremely unique in the transportation world as it handles five modes of transportation for North County with an annual budget of \$108 million. NCTD has 165 employees and 700 contract employees and "we don't directly operate any mode of service." NCTD has 1,000 square miles of territory and over 900,000 people to accommodate.

Public transportation strives to provide mobility to everyone. Interestingly, NCTD is working to connect with Uber and Lyft, among others, to supply constituents with the least expense most direct transportation possible via a NCTD "app" . . . working with new technologies and partnering options . . . it should be online in April 2018, as NCTD tries to diversify its revenue portfolio.

Regarding rail service, there are now 54 trains a day. Plans include double-tracking the entire San Diego rail system in order to move to 100 trains a day. NCTD and the City of Carlsbad are looking at a below-grade trench for the rail service through the Carlsbad Village.

The jackpot is \$110

Responsibilities for April 10, 2017

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