

MEETING MARCH 13, 2017

RESPONSIBILITIES

Drawing: **Maureen Simons**; Words: **Walt Waggener**
Pledge: **Jim Brubaker**; Greeter: **Joy Prowse**; ' Roto-Rooter: **Phil Urbina**
Reporter: **Randy Ferren**

PROGRAM: JIM DESMOND, AIRPORTS

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mar 20: Dr. Jeff Moses, Smiles International
Mar 27: Matthew Tucker, North County Transit District
Apr 3: Chris Calkins, North 40
Apr 10: Kay Ledson, Walk Across U.S.

MEETING OF MARCH 6, 2017

Welcome: President **Dawn Van Siclen** opened the meeting to an overflow crowd on the beautiful patio of the Twenty/20 Grill, and **Steve "Sunshine" Mott** led the Zippity-Doo-Dah song, accompanied by Kathy Choi. **LeAnn Rytz** gave words, a Mantra from her mother. **Lisa Walsh** led the Pledge, and **Mott** led us in "My Country Tis of Thee"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guests were introduced, including Gail Stewart, Steve Wolf, Joscylin Magaña, Frank Mangio, Fanza Burke, Jordyn Fenner, Kevin Clark, Frank Silva, Kit Zimmerman, Griff Lewis, our own long absent **Bruce Jordan**, two Guests of our program speaker, Tim Stripe, and **Scott Carr**, incoming District Governor.

Pres. VanSiclen thanked **Al Wanamaker**, **Robyn Hill** and the sixteen other Rotarians for the 17th annual home-built-in-a-day in Mexico last weekend (not counting the bus break-down). In addition to labor, the Club provided \$500 in seed money for the family receiving the home, and a barbecue was prepared for the workers, family, and neighbors.

Pres. Van Siclen reminded us about the AVID Conference, March 23d at the Sheraton.

Bob Hartsfield announced the District Final Instrumental Music Competition, Sunday, March 12, at 2pm at the Museum of Making Music. All are invited and encouraged to attend.

Ken Clark reminded us of the AVID seminar Thursday, March 23, at the Sheraton Resort. Contact **Clark** to help out.

Wendy Weigand announced a 3 week escape to New Zealand, and referred Club Runner questions to **Yvonne Finocchiaro** in her absence.

Nancy Starling reminded us to watch for an email, and send her votes regarding quarterly SOS and Rotarian at Heart nominations, which will announced at the April 3 meeting.

President-Elect **David Harrison** gave a Rotary Minute, reminding us of the District Training Seminar, to be held at USD starting at 7:30am on Saturday, March 18. This is a chance to get your Youth Protective Training, needed by Rotary event attendees, supervisors, and coordinators. An informational email will follow.

Rick Grove announced the Raising Readers Book Fair to be held on Friday, March 31, at Jefferson Elementary School. Help is needed on Thursday, March 30, with set-up, and on Friday for the Fair itself.



Josh & LeAnn Rytz

Mimi Gaffey circulated a sign-up sheet for Club Service positions which need to be filled during the 4th Quarter, including giving Words, leading the Pledge, serving as Greeter, and giving Who Am I Nows.

JR Phillips announced the 2017 Brewfest date: Saturday, September 9, at Holiday Park. Early Bird tickets (\$35) are on sale now on the website.

ROTO-ROOTER

Roto-Rooter **Phil Urbina** called-out Rotarians for their fame, fortune and foibles:

Josh and **LeAnn Rytz** for escaping the rain to snow at Mammoth (\$50); **Al Wanamaker** for taking the **Bob Fenner** director's chair at the Mexican house-in-a-day project (\$0); **Mary Fritz-Wilson** for driving the most nails without a nail gun in Mexico (\$20); **Robyn Hill** (in absentia) and her team for celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday with a read-a-thon at Jefferson School; and numerous Club members for their inability to complete carefully curated "Seussisms" selected by the Rooter.

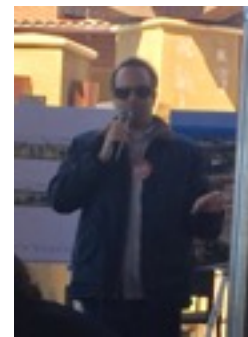
WHO AM I NOW?

Dave Dana has been a Rotarian for 20 years, starting in Newport Beach, where he organized their first 5K run, which continues as a hugely successful community event and fundraiser. Dave was also instrumental in creating one of the first club foundations at a time when the concept of a club affiliated charitable foundation was just developing. Having joined the Hi-Noon Club in 2005, Dave loves the "common spirit" found in Rotary. Dave has an adult son and daughter and four grandchildren.



WHO AM I?

Ian McDaniel, a Carlsbad native, joined Hi-Noon Rotary in 2016. After a period on the East Coast, he returned to Carlsbad in 2009 to establish himself as a business, corporate, and emerging companies lawyer with the firm Hanscom Alexeev & McDaniel LLP. He also returned to surf. Ian has a wife, and two kids in Carlsbad schools. He seeks a work/life balance between work, family, surfing, music and service (not always in that order). He aims to keep 5% of his work available on a "pro-bono" basis, and serves on the boards of the Agua Hedionda





PROGRAM: TIM STRIPE, HOTELS IN CARLSBAD

Dave Kulchin introduced Tim Stripe, co-owner of Grand Pacific Resorts, developer and operator of the Sheraton Hotel Resort and Spa and other properties. The Sheraton consists of 60 acres acquired in the 1990s. It now includes 250 sleeping rooms, 30,000 square feet of meeting space, and a 12 room spa, which operate at an annual average 84% occupancy (compared to a city-wide average of 68%). In its present

configuration the property tries to accommodate the corporate, group, and leisure markets all in one facility. There are inevitable conflicts between children and adult events, so the property is being redeveloped and expanded into a segmented facility, which will include a 200 room Westin Hotel and Conference Center aimed at the corporate and group markets; and a 200 room and suite Sheraton Resort aimed at the leisure travel and family market (now 40% of occupancy). A completion date of 6/1/2018 is anticipated. The property will also include up to 375 Hilton Grand Vacation branded timeshare units and expanded food and beverage options. Mr. Stripe also commented on the impact of the hotel industry on the City of Carlsbad: 3,465 rooms, average 68% annual occupancy, \$163/night room rate, estimated to contribute in excess of \$22million in Transient Occupancy Tax to the City. That figure does not include residential short-term rentals, which also pay TOT tax.

Pres. Dawn invited Mr. Stripe to sign a book to be donated to a school library.

Pat Hurley drew the winning raffle ticket: \$6.

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, Roto-Rooter: **Phil Urbina**
Reporter: **Rick Grove**

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