

Chulatarian



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The weekly newsletter of the Rotary Club of Chula Vista
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Friday, November 13, 2020—Noon on Zoom
BETTY MOLLENBROCK
Reading Legacies



Betty Mollenbrock's background in primary education and non-profit management has uniquely prepared her for the role of Founder and President of Reading Legacies. Her first nonprofit organization, United Through Reading (UTR), benefited over one million military service members and their families during her 20 years of leadership.

Upon turning over the reins of UTR in 2008, she launched Reading Legacies in 2010 in order to reach out to children and youth who lack the emotional support of committed role models or whose lives have been torn apart by parental incarceration. Reading Legacies provides solutions to these devastating societal challenges through the transformational power of the shared reading experience.

Please welcome Betty back to our Club via Zoom this Friday!



MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—NOVEMBER 6, 2020

President Zaneta Encarnacion called the meeting to order. Chris Lewis gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

We welcomed Sarah Taylor, a guest today and member of the Solana Beach/Del Mar Rotary Club. For the Breakout sessions, we discussed what we are looking forward to post—pandemic. Among other things, President Z shared that Carmen Richardson has a very nice place in Borrego Springs, which is also listed on AirBnB, and she highly recommends it.

Drawing winners were Bob Bliss, Neisha Hernandez and Chuck Bevin. Congratulations! The program was fun and games with our President. This included Pictionary, deep conversations about what we have in common and page 4 via chat (which we have all more or less figured out by now).

INVOCATION By Chris Lewis

From an unknown author:

Take time to think; it is the source of power.
Take time to read; it is the foundation of Wisdom.
Take time to play; it is the secret of staying young.
Take time to be quiet, it is the opportunity to seek God.
Take time to be aware, it is the opportunity to help others.
Take time to love and be loved, it is God's greatest gift.
Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.
Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness.
Take time to dream, it is what the future is made of.
Take time to pray, it is the greatest power on earth.

And so we pray today for our veterans, past and present; our first responders, our care givers and healthcare workers and our Rotary Club, who in service above self, help feed the hungry, help the lame walk and the blind to see. We bless our members and our families and our nation. Amen!

Member Directory Update

***Have you updated your contact information?
Do you need help updating your contact information?
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Please take a moment to log into your ClubRunner account to update your contact information.

Visit chulavistarotary.org and click on "Member Area" in the top right corner. Go to My Profile, hit edit, make changes, then save. Done!





LIVE



Brought to you by:

All those who
logged-on!

With Betty Waznis

Good afternoon Rotarians and guests. Welcome to today's edition of the Jim Biddle News at Noon. Today's News sponsored by Rick Anderson.

Not exactly a slow news week. We are waiting for the dust to settle. Meanwhile, in other news...

More than seven months after postponing the start of its new flights between San Diego and Hawaii, Southwest Airlines debuted the long-anticipated Honolulu nonstop route on Wednesday.

The new once-a-day flight originally scheduled to start last April was postponed due to a sharp pandemic related decline. The decision to launch the new flight now comes as Hawaii reopened its tourism economy last month. Visitors no longer have to quarantine for 14 days upon arrival, but they do have to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test.

After a nearly 6-month delay, the College Football Association confirmed that there will be a bowl season with 37 games anticipated. It is scheduled to start December 19 with the Tropical Smoothie Frisco Bowl and conclude January 11 with the national championship game. This will be the fewest bowl games since 2013, when 35 were played. Six organizations, including the San Diego County Credit Union Holiday Bowl, have decided not to play.

Rick Anderson was born in Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan way back in 1954 and many people say that's when he started in the car business! He has been involved in retail automobile dealerships since the age of thirteen.

In 1971 Rick accomplished the feat of earning a national drag racing record with his 1962 Chevrolet Chevy II.

He has served in various capacities in every dealership department including sales, service, body shop, and parts. After many years of working in dealerships and also serving as a GM factory rep, Rick was able to purchase his own dealership, Friendly Chevrolet, in Tacoma, Washington in 1997. Rick soon joined the Tacoma Rotary Club, Club #8, where he served on the Board of Directors as well as chairperson of various committees.

Since 2010 he has chosen to enjoy volunteering here in San Diego for SCORE, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the San Diego Zoo and Chula Vista Rotary.

This concludes this week's edition of News at Noon, today's news sponsored by Rick Anderson.





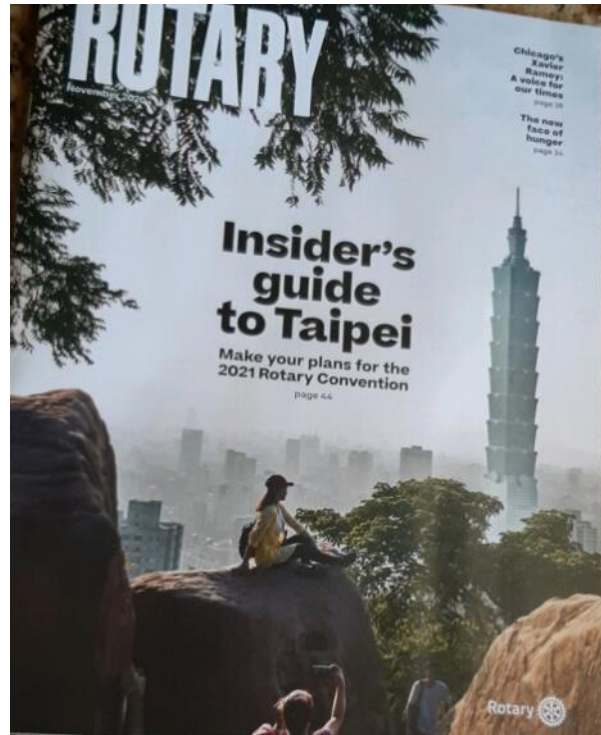
MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—October 30, 2020



Jim Biddle: leaves Chula Vista
Carmen Richardson: finds the gavel
Lisa Johnson: loses an eye
Jan Mellinger: talks politics
Rasha Roshdy: plays Pictionary
Laura Humphreys: tries to read the small print
Donna Moss: buys the last roll of toilet paper
Eric Rimmele: loses it
Bob Silvas: makes it too serious
Bill Padelford: mentions politics
Albert Aguilera: eats the last slice of pizza
Chris Lewis: cheats
Jesse Fernandez: takes my cold beer
Mora de Murguia: steals my slippers
Duane Buckingham: talks politics
Neisha Hernandez (but she claims it was really Bernard!): we run out of alcohol

Thanks for a fun time President Z!





HEADS UP ROTARIANS!

Be sure to see the most recent issue of the Rotary International magazine—pay attention to headlines.

On November 20, drawing sponsor Duane Buckingham will have three \$50 gift cards to award informed Rotarians.

YOU could be a lucky winner with a little homework!

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Chula Vista Rotary
Attn: Gary Bryant

Dear Mr. Bryant and Friends at the Chula Vista Rotary,

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Warmly,

Sofia Salgado Robitaille
Executive Director

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CVR Youth Committee Makes Donation



Pictured above: Rich Brocchini, Chair of the Youth Committee and Gary Bryant, Chair of Community Projects presenting a \$1,000 check to the Burn Institute yesterday.

Accepting the check on behalf of the Burn Institute are Susan Day, Executive Director and Loretta Turner, Grant Writer. The donation from the Chula Vista Rotary Youth Committee was made to support fire and burn prevention education through their Fire Safe Kids Program.





NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Hi Carmen,

I received the letter below from a parent of a child in our Distance Learning Support Program which is in partnership with CVESD. **Rotary was one of the first supporters** to step up and donate to the program and I am incredibly thankful. I shared this letter with the Community Projects Committee and Gary asked that I send it to you for inclusion in the Chulatarian. Would you mind including it?

To Whom it may concern,

I have three children in 8th grade, 6th grade and 3rd grade. My 3rd grade son, is enrolled in the distant learning support program at the Heritage Elementary school location. I want to express my appreciation for this program. I am a registered nurse. I have two part time jobs at Sharp hospital and Scripps hospital both in Chula Vista. I am in critical care and deemed an essential worker during this pandemic. When school shut down last March it was beyond challenging and impossible to homeschool and work out of home. Something would have to give because I could not be two places at once. What gave was school. I answered to the call of duty to work the front lines last spring. Therefore when school continues online the next school year I had much anxiety and considered dropping my kids out of school until school resumed in person. My 3rd grade son had proven to do very poorly with distant learning unsupervised. He wouldn't focus or even sit still during his lessons. And when I worked out of home, he was unsupervised. Thankfully for my son he got into the YMCA program. Without this program he would have been forgotten and left behind.

This program provides a supervised environment in which kids can sit and learn during school hours. The coaches help them switch between platforms and gather materials. My son has never missed an online learning lesson during school hours. And I can't rave enough how this program has had a positive impact on my son mentally. The privilege of being able to interact with other kids, engage in organized play, to be active and have fun is priceless at this time for a 3rd grader! As a nurse I have watched with scrutiny the YMCA processes and this program has safe and healthy practices.

So thank you thank you for initiating such a program. For being brave enough to try this program. I know some critics wanted the program to fail to further justify the reason for distant learning but this program has proven kids can gather in a learning environment safely for adults and children. I know it must have been scary for the staff to pioneer a program where children gather. So thank you YMCA for showing up to the front line for our kids!

Have a great day,

A grateful mom

Laura Muñoz Humphreys

Executive Director

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