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2016-17 Rotary International Theme:

Rotary Serving Humanity

"Now is the time to capitalize on our success: as we complete the eradication of polio, and catapult Rotary forward to be an even greater force for good in the world."



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ... We're off on a new Rotary Year!

Before I get into anything else; many thanks to Bryan for his leadership last year. We did so much for so many and I'm sure we will continue to do so: International Projects, Competition Trophies, The Fun Run, sponsoring two Interact Clubs, providing scholarships. By any measure Bryan's Year was a success!

This year's theme ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY seems particularly apt for our club. We are amazingly active for a group of our size. The key goal for this year HAS TO BE INCREASING MEMBERSHIP so that we can continue the projects that we enjoy and support, and expand on them. Bring somebody; a friend, colleague, or acquaintance to show them what a "Small but Mighty" club can do!

The District Membership Kickoff is this coming Saturday, July 9, from 8:30-noon at the Joan Kroc Center. Do YOU want to join me? Please let me know ASAP. Ken

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>PLEDGE</u>	<u>INSPIRATION</u>
July 7	DARK ... Demotion/Promotion Dinner	at Claim Jumper ... 6:00 p.m.
July 14	Jack Archie	Mike Van Horne
July 21	Al Baskin	Jack Archie
July 28	Brent Clous	Al Baskin
August 4	Bryan Gust	Brent Clous

HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY ... Join in wishing Jack Archie "Happy Birthday" on July 14th. Mike Scogin was born on the same day ... a few years earlier ... if you see him, wish him Happy, HAPPY Birthday!

HAPPY, HAPPY ROTARY ANNIVERSARY ... Danny Kazmarek joined Rotary during the month of July twelve years ago, in 2004. YEAH!

FUN FACTS ...

During our recent trip visiting lighthouses along the California and Oregon coast, we heard an interesting story about the origin of the song "The Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze." The docent leading our tour of the Point Sur Lighthouse told of the airship USS Macon which crashed near the lighthouse in 1934 and sank off nearby Monterey Bay.



The USS Macon was one of the last rigid airships built and operated by the U.S. Navy. With its sister ship the USS Akron, the USS Macon was the largest helium-filled dirigible ever built ... the hydrogen-filled Hindenburg and Graf Zeppelin were 20 feet longer, but they had a tendency to go boom! The Macon was also noteworthy because it was a "flying aircraft carrier," designed to carry biplane parasite aircraft.



Five single-seat Curtiss F9C Sparrowhawk scout planes or two-seat Fleet N2Y-1 training planes were stored in the hull of the airship. When they wanted to use a plane it was lowered, suspended from a crane they labeled a "trapeze." While in that position, the pilot was said to be "flying from the trapeze."



The really tricky part was getting the planes back onto the airship. Each plane had a large hook mounted on the top wing; the pilot had to snag a large hoop on the trapeze with his hook and quickly kill the engine. The precursor to today's tailhook?



Needless to say, I went to the Internet to check out the docent's story after our lighthouse tour ended. Sure enough, the USS Macon crashed near the lighthouse and it indeed carried planes in its hull.

The problem with the docent's story ... the song was first published in 1867, with words written by the British lyricist and singer, George Leybourne. The lyrics were based on the phenomenal success of trapeze artist Jules Léotard. Léotard is widely credited with having invented the trapeze. The song was originally titled "The Flying Trapeze" and included this chorus:

*He'd fly through the air with the greatest of ease,
That daring young man on the flying trapeze.*

Depending on reader response, the next newsletter could include the story of the invention of the leotard. Thanks/ Eric

THIS DAY IN HISTORY QUIZ

ROTARIANS ARE CHALLENGED TO CORRECTLY ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.
THE ANSWERS WILL BE REVEALED AT THE MEETINGS DURING "THIS DAY IN HISTORY."

July 7	She was acquitted of heresy on this day in 1456, 25 years after her death. (Hint: she was burned at the stake in 1431 by English inquisitors)
July 14	Citizens stormed this medieval fortress and prison on this day in 1789, during the French Revolution. (Hint: the French celebrate this day as a public holiday, usually called Bastille Day in English)
July 21	On this day in 365, this event devastated the city of Alexandria, Egypt. (Hint: it was caused by the Crete earthquake, estimated to be a magnitude 8.5 or higher)
July 28	This was the last all-sail warship built by the U.S. Navy, commissioned on this day in 1854. (Hint: she was retired in 1954 and is preserved as a museum ship in Baltimore harbor)

START YOUR DAY OFF RIGHT ...

Wouldn't every day be better if it started off with a fireworks show? Especially one with patriotic music. Image how that would get your blood flowing - even better than a cup of coffee!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Meeting Location	Broken Yolk Cafe 11630 Carmel Mountain Road San Diego, CA 92128 (858) 675-9655 Thursdays, 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
Club Mailing Address	San Diego North Rotary P.O. Box 721986 San Diego, CA 92172
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District 5340 Click here for the DG's newsletter, training schedules, and district and other club events.

Rotary International Click here for professional resources on a wide range of club management issues.

2016-17 CLUB LEADERSHIP ... Thanks to all who have agreed to serve this coming Rotary year ...

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