

March 2018



PRESIDENT: MIKE VAN HORNE

SECRETARY: KEN HEINZ

TREASURER: AL BASKIN

PRESIDENT-ELECT: ERIC PAHLKE

2017-18 Rotary International Theme:

Rotary: Making a Difference

"Whether we're building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives — in ways large and small — for the better."



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

ASSIGNMENTS

	<u>PLEDGE</u>	<u>INSPIRATION</u>
March 1	Ken Heinz	Danny Kazmarek
March 8	Danny Kazmarek	Eric Pahlke
March 15	No Meeting	25th Anniversary Dinner on March 11
March 22	Eric Pahlke	Al Baskin
March 29	Al Baskin	Brent Clous
April 5	Brent Clous	Bryan Gust



HAPPY, HAPPY ... Danny Kazmarek will celebrate his next birthday on the "Ides of March."

Other famous people born on March 15th include St. Nicholas, Stanislaw Wojciechowski, Marjorie Merriweather Post, Harry James, Judd Hirsch, and Jimmy Swaggart. Danny should be making the list soon!

THANK YOU ... A very big "thank you" to both Ken Heinz for agreeing to continue serving as Secretary and to Al Baskin for continuing to serve as Treasurer for the 2018-19 Rotary Year. They both know the jobs so well they could be leading the discussion sessions at the upcoming District Training Assembly on March 24th.



4 WAY SPEECH CONTEST ... Annaclare Spletstoeszer from The Cambridge School will represent San Diego North Rotary in the next round of the 4 Way Speech Contest. Annaclare is in the 11th grade. Cambridge is a private Christian school started in 2006 that will graduate its first high school seniors later this year.

Bryan Gust will accompany Annaclare to the next level of competition at Rancho Bernardo Sunrise Rotary on Tuesday, March 20th.

LINKS ... to other Rotary web pages ...

San Diego North Click here to see the schedule of programs and other late-breaking club news.

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.

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."

March 1	The world's first national park was established on this day in 1872. (Hint: President Ulysses S. Grant was "faithful" to his campaign promise)
March 8	On this day in 1917, the U.S. Senate votes to limit these activities by adopting the cloture rule. (Hint: it's sometimes referred to as "talking a bill to death")
March 15	The Ford Motor Company produced one of these models as its 50 millionth automobile on this day in 1958. (Hint: Ford's average production rate since its formation was the thunderous pace of a million cars a year)
March 22	The first playoff game of this famous cup series was held on this day in 1894. (Hint: Montreal Hockey Club 3 - Montreal Victorias 2)
March 29	On this day in 1984, this organization loaded its possessions onto 15 moving vans in the early morning hours, and transferred its operation to Indianapolis. (Hint: they drafted Marshall Faulk with the second overall pick in 1994)

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY ... Everyone is encouraged to attend the District Training Assembly scheduled for Saturday, March 24th. There will be focused discussion sessions for current presidents, presidents-elect, presidents-nominee, secretaries, and treasurers. It's also **VERY** important that we have at least two members attend the Global Grants Management Seminar, immediately following the assembly. Without that additional training the club would not be able to participate in the next phase of the St. Helene Water Project, the first phase of which that we have already helped fund.

25TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER ... A dinner was held on Sunday, March 25th at Carvers Steak & Chop restaurant to celebrate the club's 25th anniversary. President Mike Van Horne called the gathering to order around 6:30 p.m. Bryan Gust led the group in the salute to our nation's flag and Jean Heinz gave a stirring inspiration. Mike did introductions of all present.



San Diego North Rotarians and significant others in attendance were Al Baskin, Brent and Karen Clous, Bryan and Mary Gust, Ken and Jean Heinz, Danny Kazmarek, Eric and Barbara Pahlke, and Mike Van Horne. Former club members and their others attending included Shirley Vaine and Randy Scott, Dan and Cindy Longnecker, Byron and Sabrina Steiner, Nathan Oestreich, and Sara Jones. District Rotarians and others attending included District Governor Scott Carr and Assistant District Governor Don Glover and wife. Also attending were former Assistant District Governor Dave Brooks and District Governor Nominee John Goodrich and Debbie.



Mike took the opportunity to have DG Scott present Bryan Gust with his 2-stone Paul Harris pin, signifying his contributions in excess of \$3,000 to The Rotary Club Foundation. Club Foundation Chair Ken Heinz participated in the presentation.



Test your skills ... match the names of former club members to their photos, above. Shirley Vaine and Randy Scott, Dan and Cindy Longnecker, Sara Jones, Nathan Oestreich, and Byron and Sabrina Steiner.

Do you know your current and former assistant district governors? John and Deb Goodrich, Don and Cathy Glover, and Dave Brooks. The other matches of current San Diego North members' names-to-photos are easy!



Then there's the cub reporter and his better half ... he forgot to take a picture of them at the dinner!

And, Danny was so busy selling 50-50 tickets that he also went un-photographed - so here's an older photo.



And ... the evening would not have been complete without a cake!

FUN ROTARY FACTS ...

25
Years

The Rotary Club of San Diego North was chartered on January 12, 1993 as the Rancho Penasquitos Sunrise Rotary Club. The first club president was Steve Seligman. In an early club newsletter, Steve related that the idea for a Rotary club in the area began with a meeting on March 30, 1992, at Al Baskin's house with Bob Kappmeyer (Kaye), Pete Cokrlc, and Steve.



It took awhile to get the approval of the District and the Scripps Mesa Sunrise Rotary Club as a sponsoring club, but then an ad was placed in a local newspaper announcing the formation of a new club. That ad and some networking - and perhaps some arm-twisting - brought the numbers up to the 25 minimum needed to start a new club. Before the charter was approved, the Rancho Bernardo Sunrise Rotary Club joined with Scripps Mesa as a co-sponsor, to convince Rotary International that the club was viable. The charter was present to RI on January 9, 1993, and three days later the club was born!

During that first year, Steve lead the way, Bob Kaye was next-in-line, Carr Perkes took notes, Rick Simons handled the books, Kim Muslusky did the newsletter, and Eric Pahlke arranged programs. And everyone else pitched in!

The Charter Night Dinner was held on Thursday, March 4, 1993, at the Doubletree Hotel. The dinner menu offered a choice of Chicken Scampi or Sliced London Broil for \$30 per person. The guest speaker was Werner J. Schwarz, Program Chairman for the 1992-93 Northern California-Nevada-Hawaii PETS (President-Elects Training Seminar). Werner had previously been honored as Mr. Rotary and twice as Rotarian of the Year.

The club's 4-Way Speech Contest winner, Roslyn Tentbel, was one of seven finalist slated to speak at the March 29, 1993, District Council Dinner. The Interact Club at Mt. Carmel High School (there was no Westview High School yet) helped at the Wildlife Refuge in Chula Vista and at the Remington Club in Rancho Bernardo. Ken Heinz was the club's first liaison with the student club.

In September 1993, the club welcomed four new members and the club membership was at 28. On Friday, October 1, 1993, the 2nd Annual Rotary Bowl was held at Rancho Bernardo High School. The first football challenge game between Mt. Carmel and Rancho Bernardo high schools was sponsored by the club, even before it became a club, in 1992 at the request of the Mt. Carmel Athletic Foundation.

On October 28, 1993, the Rotary Fun Run (it was called the PQ Cross-Country Track Meet back then) took place at Mt. Carmel Stadium. If there were any attendance records kept they are nowhere to be found.

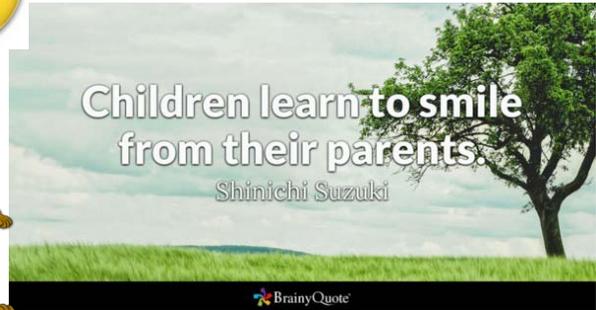
The club did a food drive for Thanksgiving and a toy drive for Christmas. It's a lot of fun going back to the old newsletters and reading about the activities the club was getting involved in. A project-a-month was the goal and it came to pass.

In the final club newsletter of the calendar year, President Steve Seligman noted that "the key to our success is in our ability to involve each and every one of us in the principles of Rotary and the specific goals of our club."

So, nothing has changed over the past 25 years!

Congratulations to the five remaining charter members - Al Baskin, Bryan Gust, Ken Heinz, Eric Pahlke, and Mike Van Horne. And, a heart-felt "thanks" to all the others who have joined in the amazing accomplishments of PQ Sunrise/ San Diego North over the past quarter century!

START YOUR DAY OFF RIGHT ...



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
Club Website	www.SanDiegoNorthRotary.org
Club Email	SanDiegoNorthRotary@gmail.com
District Website	www.rotary5340.org
Club Number	29196
Member Number	Refer to the mailing label for The Rotarian
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THOUGHTS FROM PETS ... Going to President-Elect Training Seminar has several advantages. Besides hearing about the approaches taken by other Rotary clubs, it's an opportunity to formulate your own ideas which may or may not have anything to do with what's being discussed at the time. In the next few newsletters I'd like to share some of those thoughts.

When Jean was last president she proposed that we do one project a month and have one social event per month. Both are great ideas that have slipped a bit. I'm going to suggest that we recommit ourselves to that proposal.

Scott Carr made a good point at the close of the 25th anniversary dinner on March 11th. We shouldn't worry about our size so much that we talk ourselves out of trying something new. I'd ask that everyone prepare a list of projects they would like to pursue, regardless of size. Perhaps we try something that we would otherwise think is too big for the mightiest little Rotary club in the world.

Doing projects and having interesting programs are proven ways to attract and retain members. Given our size, we have been hesitant to invite speakers. If we do have visitors they may be entertained by our banter - "you guys sure seem comfortable with each other" - but, does it make them want to return? How about we focus on one knock-your-socks-off program a month and strongly encourage everyone to invite guests. Perhaps we also advertise these special programs in the local press, far enough in advance to give us a chance of attracting someone? Perhaps we also just take out an ad in a local publication ... maybe we attract someone like a lot of my fellow charter members who saw the announcement that Al put into the local papers more than 25 years ago.

YIR / Eric