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|  | ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE | | |  |
| | SHORELINES | | | |
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PRES CHUCK WARD opened the meeting by “pinging” the bell with some wimpy accoutrement at precisely 12:25 P.M., while P.E. RENEE (Madam Gong) RICHARDSON-WENDEE echoed in unison (but not in harmony) from the back of the room with her Oriental Disc. PRES CHUCK was harassed by the membership for starting early, which he responded to by asking if we would rather start early or leave late? Somebody mentioned that it was Friday 13th, to which PRES CHUCK said there were “no black cats.” (Huh????) He did mention that he would be the host of this meeting, and the PRESIDENT of the club for a bit longer, but not for too long. I don’t recall how the membership responded to that comment.



ERNIE MASCITTI led us in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.



DAVE HALL led the SONGS beginning with “You Are My Sunshine” and ending with one of BILL DERN’s favorites. No, not “God Bless America”, but “America The Beautiful” instead. We were brilliant!

PRES CHUCK asked the question, “What is Rotary” and then asked STEPHANIE YOO to give an example of what Rotary meant to her.



STEPHANIE said that she has been in Rotary a year and a half and, as Executive Director of the YMCA, she notes that there are similarities between the YMCA and Rotary. Both raise money to help people, even some we don't know. Both organizations do good work and make a difference in lives. She said it's not about the money, but how we impact families in a positive way. She cited an example of a woman's family that the YMCA helped with their health and education. This woman was 44 years old and overweight, and the YMCA programs helped her lose 85 lbs. in one year, and helped her family become healthy as well. STEPHANIE said the YMCA has \$185,000 in scholarships.



PRES CHUCK held up a saucer of dessert from the buffet and asked JOHN VERMEREN what it was. JOHN said a "Ding Dong?" JIM SCHRODER corrected him, "No, that is a Hostess Cupcake... The Ding Dong is holding up the saucer!" Then, PRES CHUCK asked us to "look under our saucers on our tables for a lucky ticket." ERNIE MASCITTI found the lucky ticket under his saucer and gave it to this Reporter. (Now that's just an example of what selfless Rotarians do.) Each table eventually found their lucky extra ticket holders. PRES CHUCK called for the dwindling deck of cards to be brought forth, had a guest prove that there actually was a Joker in the stack, and asked that the cards be shuffled. He called out the lucky ticket number and DALE MAAS had it. DALE drew a card from the deck, but it wasn't the Joker, so DALE didn't win the \$800 grand prize jackpot, but he got a Ten-Spot to pocket.

PRES ELECT RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE was asked to give the CLUB UPDATES:

- Tuesday, April 17 Our Rotary Club Members are invited to a VIP Grand Opening of the new Golden Corral restaurant
- Friday, April 20 David Broad – Board President – MiraCosta College
- Friday, April 27 DARK
- Saturday, April 28 Rotarians at Work – Ivey Ranch – 8:30 AM to Noon

Thursday, May 3 Demotion Planning Dinner @ Renee's – RSVP so she can have plenty of Margaritas available

FUTURE AWAY MEETINGS:

Thursday, May 17 Game Night @ Fratelli's

Thursday, June 7 Beer Night @ Bagby's

And added piece of info came from RENEE, who let us know that we will be having visiting Rotarians from Thailand on May 5th and 6th. If anyone is interested in meeting them and joining in some sight-seeing that weekend, contact RENEE for the details.



DALE MAAS was asked to give an update on the upcoming Golf Tournament on June 25. DALE explained that the Feast will not be held again this year, and this means that the Golf Tournament is our only fundraiser for our Rotary Programs. He asked that all club members take a brochure from the table and choose how we each want to

participate. We all know business and professional people in the community, and we can enter as golf Players, donate extra Dinner Tickets, be a Tee Sponsor, secure Gold or Blue Sponsors, or just make a Donation. Fill out the Registration Form and mail it to the address on the bottom of the form.

DAVE NYDEGGER announced there will be a Free Shredding Event for all your excess documents on Saturday, April 21 from 9 to 11 AM at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Parking Lot @ 7020 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad, CA 92011. This is an opportunity to get rid of your old Tax Forms (since you don't need to keep them on file after seven years).

PRES CHUCK passed around a Crown Heights community newsletter which included notes and photos about our Club Projects there and the work we've done with the kids.

Also mentioned again was the Rotarians At Work day coming up on April 28 at the Ivey Ranch (across Mission Avenue from the San Luis Rey Mission). There will be doughnuts and coffee at 8:30 AM, and after painting the fences and planting a tree, there will be hot dogs! Please be there, ready to have fun and get stuff done! MELISSA RODRIGUEZ then took the mic and gave a nice little "sermon" on Rotary service



to inspire us all to sign up and participate in this all-important (and the only) community project the Oceanside Rotary Club is doing this year. And, because “more is merrier”, be sure to invite and bring family and friends along.

Another Rotarians at Work option is volunteering at the American Cancer Society’s Oceanside “Relay for Life” fundraiser at MiraCosta College. That even runs from 10 am on April 28 to 10 am on April 29. Visitor TINA ORTIZ told us about this event at the previous meeting, and more information can be found at:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY18WER?pg=entry&fr_id=85674

Ahem... There is absolutely no rule against painting with us at Ivey Ranch on Saturday morning AND volunteering at the Relay for Life later that day or into Sunday. Just sayin’.....

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS:



TYLER EVANS, with Mergers and Acquisitions, San Marcos, Guest.



HANS LINHARDT, Professional Engineer, graduate of Cal Tech, and member of the Newport Beach Sunrise Rotary Club (20 year Rotarian - Pres 2003).



JOHN VERMEREN, Past Pres Oceanside Club 2002, visiting from Florida.



TOM CURTIN, Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary Club.



DEANNE LORSON, Speaker, Oceanside Assistant City Manager.



RICK ROBINSON, Oceanside Fire Chief.



RUDY VAN HUNNICK, visiting former Rotarian.

WELCOME SONG, led by DAVE HALL

HAPPY DOLLARS:



JOHN VERMEREN was \$50 Happy because his daughter was getting married and he got her wedding dress online for just \$89.



TOM BRAULT was only \$5 Happy because, unlike JOHN, his daughter ROBYN's wedding won't be quite as frugal. For example, one quote for the flowers alone was \$2000, which apparently is the total cost of the VERMEREN event.



LYN CORDER was \$5 Happy because her daughter (who had been in and out of the hospital after some post-partum hemorrhages) got some lab work back and everything tested OK. Great to hear!



JIM SCHRODER was \$5 Happy to be taking another trip in 3 weeks – this time to Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia, and Budapest. That, we believe, will bring the number of countries that JIM has visited up to a total of 8,436!



ERNIE MASCITTI was \$5 Happy that he “missed one of PRES CHUCK'S meetings.”



BOB PICKREL was \$67 Happy for the anniversary of his first date with DARLENE on a Friday the 13th (a very lucky day for him!) and his upcoming wedding anniversary April 28, plus \$88 for his birthday and also because he is happy to finally be having his hip replacement on Tuesday, and \$40 for his club anniversary in Rotary. Way to go, BOB!



NANCY RUSSIAN was \$5 Happy that (just like BOB and DARLENE), she and LUIS met on a Friday the 13th, 13 years ago! So she doubled up on that lucky number this year!



JANET BLEDSOE LACY was \$100 Happy to be done finally with her surgery. And we were all very happy to see her back at Rotary!



VICKIE PROSSER was \$20 Happy to have gone to Legoland with her friend MAUREEN HARTIN's grandkids.



Visiting OFD Chief RICK ROBINSON was \$5 Happy because he “knows how it works at Rotary meetings ... You hand over some cash when you do something for the first time”, so he donated for his first visit to our club.



RUDY VAN HUNNICK sort of complained that, at our last meeting, he had felt pressured about the amount of time he ended up taking for his Happy Dollars, so this week, he was \$50 Happy just to say, “I’m happy!”



DAVE SHORE was \$5 Happy because he believed that he might have met both of his ex-wives on Friday the 13th.

ON TO OUR PROGRAM:

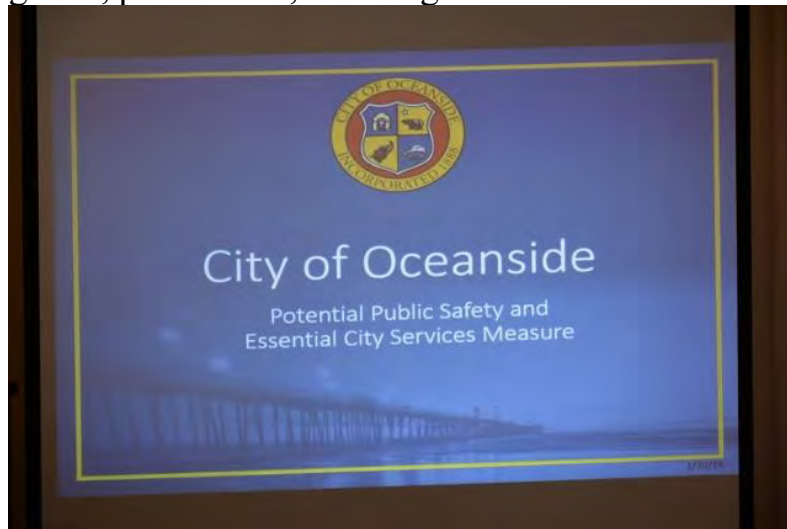
PRES CHUCK introduced our speaker, DEANNA LORSON, and told us that she lives in Oceanside’s Henie Hills, has worked for 2 years as the Oceanside Assistant City Manager, has 3 cats (Striper, Prince, and Bella), and 2 kids in Tri City Christian High School.

DEANNA delegated Fire Chief RICK ROBINSON to be her “Human Clicker” to man the controls of the PowerPoint presentation which described the Focus of the City of Oceanside as:

Quality of Life in Oceanside – It’s a great place to live, do business, raise a family, and retire. Residents favor quality of life and quality of city services.

The city has identified urgent needs that must be met to make our city even better.

Protecting Our City and Residents – The cost of public safety increases every year, and Oceanside receives no state funding for public safety, so the city needs additional resources to maintain safety and provide adequate police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and lifeguards.



Repairing and Maintaining Neighborhood Streets – Improving local streets, sidewalks, and essential infrastructure is needed to keep Oceanside safe. Making necessary improvements to our streets and repairing potholes also ensures that our streets and sidewalks enhance and complement rather than detract from our beautiful natural environment.

Local Funding For Local Services – To fund these improvements, the City is considering a one-half cent sales tax measure for the November 2018 ballot to ensure adequate police response to 911 emergencies, reduce gang activity, and drug related crimes. The City also wants to provide enough firefighters, paramedics, and lifeguards to respond to 911 calls. Oceanside wants to be able to maintain streets and sidewalks, repair public infrastructure, and keep public areas clean and free of graffiti.

Strict Fiscal Accountability – All money raised by the proposed measure would remain in Oceanside, and could not be taken away by the state. The measure would require citizens' oversight and public audits. The sales tax measure is proposed to last for 7 years.

In response to a query about the downtown Fire Station #1, Chief RICK ROBINSON said his department needs to develop a new fire station for their long trucks to be able to turn around, as well as to serve as an Emergency OPS Center.

Find out more, and/or give your feedback on the proposed sales tax increase at this web address (www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/salestax), or email the City at info@ci.oceanside.ca.us or call 760-435-3065.

PRES CHUCK thanked DEANNA and RICK for their presentation, giving DEANNA a planter with succulents as a token of our appreciation. He followed that gift by flat out telling the Fire Chief, “RICK... You get nothing!”, which got a laugh from all. He then immediately “pinged” the bell while PE RENEE “gonged” from the back of the room.



This Reporter would like to thank his “backup brigade” (CHUCK, RENEE, TERRI, JIM, & ERNIE) who provided information missed during the course of the meeting!

ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

Along with the first draft of this edition of Shorelines, our Reporter JAY CRAWFORD attached a few photos from the recent trip that he and his wife ANITA ROMAINE took from March 25 - April 4 – A gorgeous Rhine River Cruise from Amsterdam to Basel and then a few days in Como and Bellagio. Ah! The Good Life!





Item 2: Alright, I know it is not a Rotarian, but at least it is someone in the Rotary family! As we have heard in previous Happy Dollars, TOM BRAULT's talented daughter GERILYN has landed a starring role in the musical comedy *Avenue Q*, coming to New Village Arts Theatre this summer. Well, rehearsals just began and this past Saturday and Sunday, GERILYN was down in San Diego at a workshop with other actors, learning the techniques of puppetry. Looks like fun!!



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

April 20: DAVID BROAD, Board President MiraCosta College

Reporter: DAVID HALL

April 27: DARK for Rotarians at Work Day on 4/28

April 28: ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY

Our club's event: Ivey Ranch Painting Party – 8:30 am to Noon. Coffee and doughnuts before and hot dogs after. Slinging paint onto fences for the hours in between.

Option #2: Volunteer at the Relay for Life fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. This event runs from 10 am Saturday to 10 am Sunday at MiraCosta College.

May 3: DEMOTION PLANNING MEETING

6 pm at RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE's house

RSVP to RENEE and come to give your ideas on how to roast President CHUCK at the end of his reign.

May 4: Regular Meeting, Speaker TBA

Reporter: BILL DERN

May 11: BRIAN DEVORE, Declutter Your Life

Reporter: A.J. MAZZARELLA

May 17: THURSDAY GAME NIGHT AT FRATELLI'S

May 18: Regular Meeting is DARK

May 25: Regular Meeting is DARK for Memorial Day

Also on the horizon:

June 15: ROTARY NIGHT AT THE MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE

June 22: DEMOTION DINNER