

	ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE		
	SHORELINES		
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Our President TERRI HALL called us to order with a warm “Welcome to Oceanside Rotary – The Biggest Club in Oceanside!” She followed that general welcome up with a personalized “welcome back” to ROGER VANDERWERKEN, who has been away for a while and who was tasked with leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance.



The District Governor visit meeting has an established protocol of do’s and don’ts. However, just to prove that she can be a rebel when she wants to, Pres TERRI admitted, “We were told that we were NOT supposed to do this, but we are a singing club....”, so she invited BILL DERN up to lead us in a few songs. First up was a fine and full-throated version of “When You’re Smiling (the whole world smiles with you).” We did so well that BILL couldn’t help but to follow that up with (of course) “God Bless America.”

The Moment of Inspiration was provided by LARRY HATTER, who told us that he would be an unapologetic name-dropper as he read off a list of famous and prominent individuals who also happen to have been members of Rotary. Eagle eyed observers could see that he was holding a four-page long roster of over 100 names. Luckily he had highlighted just the most impressive of the bunch to share with us, which included: Dr. Charles Mayo, Charles Walgreen and Sam Walton, The “Colonel” Harland Sanders, astronauts Neil Armstrong and Frank Borman, Charles Lindbergh, Thomas Edison, Sir Winston Churchill, 5 U.S. Presidents (Harding, Wilson, FDR, JFK, Ford), Walt Disney, and even Pope Francis. This just goes to show what

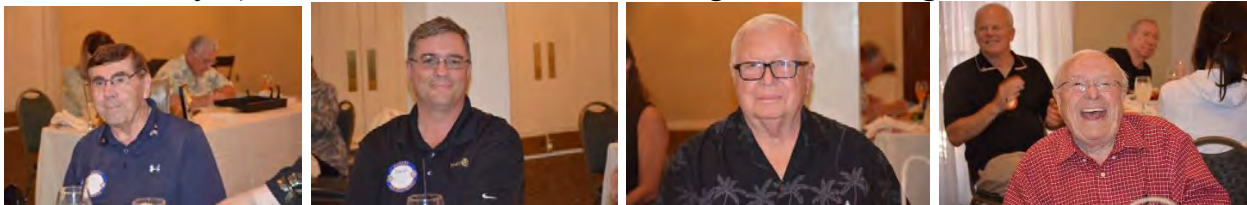


amazing company we share in this prestigious organization! LARRY summed up his inspiring list by proclaiming, “God bless Rotary, and all of these very fine people!”

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS



Our front table was graced with several VIP Rotarians from District 5340 – our new District Governor MARTA KNIGHT and her Assistant DG for our area (hailing from the Route 78 club), ATHENEA LUCIANO. Also seated there and introduced by MIKE CURTIN was a guest whom he had met (at where else but Senor Grubby’s), Dr. Elli Juarez, a recent PhD grad from Oregon.



At the next table next to ERNIE MASCITTI sat our soon-to-be newest member CHUCK ANDREAN as well as Derrick Leasure from Port Royal, VA who exchanged banners at the end of the meeting. TOM BRAULT had the pleasure of pointing out frequent visitors ED PARISH from the San Luis Rey club and RUDY VAN HUNNICK, a former member of Oceanside Rotary.



Seated nearer the back were Margarida Eidson from the Ventura East club who was visiting family in town and who was introduced by VICKIE PROSSER. Then, last but not least, BILL DERN got to welcome our final visitor Hans Linhardt from Newport Beach and then launched right into the Welcome Song for all of our guests.

ADDING A NEW MEMBER – HOORAY!!

Yes, today was the day for CHUCK ANDREAN to join Oceanside Rotary, and what fine day it was for this ceremony! He was joined at the front by our District Governor MARTA, Club Secretary RENEE RICHARDSON WENDEE, and by his sponsor NANCY RUSSIAN. CHUCK is actually rejoining Rotary, having been a member previously with the Mission Gorge club, and so RENEE read a special version of the induction into our club which was tailored for his returning member status. As you might imagine, it is especially special to have your Rotary badge presented by a District Governor. It gives an extra shine to your badge and pin! All of the smiling faces involved in this induction were captured by our crack staff photographer, and you can see how proud they all were of this momentous occasion. Welcome, CHUCK! Glad to have you on board! (Now, how soon can we convince you to join our Board???)



“PLUSSING” SOME OF OUR PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

We went from welcoming a new member straight to recognizing two of our most generous members of Oceanside Rotary. Our Foundation Chair BILL DERN joined DG MARTA at the podium to bestow some new and quite impressive R.I. Foundation accolades. First BILL reminded us all of the history of the Paul Harris Fellowships and proudly noted that in the last year, \$86 million was put to use by the Foundation to fund over 1,400 grants. Since the R.I. Foundation has such low overhead costs, an incredible 96% of all money given goes straight to projects all



over the world. That is quite a track record, compared to most other charitable efforts, and we all should be very proud of the work our Rotary Foundation does. But, BILL reminded us, the fact that the money raised is being given out so generously and consistently means that the Foundation's coffers do need to be continually replenished. Two of our members who

contribute continually to the Foundation through automatic monthly donations are TERRI and DAVE HALL. They are living proof of how simple it can be to consistently build up your financial support of Rotary without even thinking about it, and they were the proud recipients of added recognition from the Foundation: a Paul Harris plus 3 for DAVE and an even more impressive Paul Harris plus 8 for TERRI. WOW! Our DG MARTA said, “I have never seen a Plus 8 before!!” and TERRI encouraged us all to “Donate monthly by automatic withdrawal. It is so painless!”



SPECIAL INTRODUCTION OF OUR SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Assistant DG ATHENEA knows her the best, so she handled the introduction of our new District Governor MARTA KNIGHT, who has been a member of the Chula Vista Sunrise Rotary for 16 years, holding many positions there over the years. She also has served District 5340 in many roles, positions, and committees before rising to the esteemed rank of D.G.



MARTA was born and raised in Tijuana and is a third generation Rotarian. Her father Dr. ADALBERTO ROJO was a member for 47 years and served as the DG of District 4100 two separate times (1957-58 and 1972-73). MARTA is very proud to be following in his footsteps in Rotary district leadership. Her father taught her about “Service Above Self” and the importance of helping others from a very early age. With his seven children, they were all taught to settle arguments by considering the Four Way Test. Knowing how much Rotary meant to him, she fully understood when her father could not be at her high school graduation because he had to attend a Rotary conference.

MARTA is a retired mortgage loan officer who is bilingual, biliterate, and bicultural in Spanish. She is married to Bill Knight and has four children and two grandchildren.



MARTA made it clear that she was very pleased to be visiting our club and noted that we are “people of action – I have seen the work that you have done!” Right off the bat, she wanted to recognize one of the key workers in our club with her “Club Super Hero Award” which is given to a member who is always there to help, however they can. The award and pin was given to MIKE CURTIN. (Isn’t that pin just the cutest??... Come to think of it, Isn’t MIKE just the cutest, too??)

To introduce us to some of the district leadership team, MARTA showed a photo that was taken at a PETS training where she, CHUCK PRETTO, CHERYL MINSHEW, and STEVE WEITZEN were all garbed in firefighter uniforms because “Our district is on fire!!”

MARTA spoke about Rotary “Aha!” Moments. They can happen anytime, anywhere. It is that moment when, for a particular individual, the concept of Rotary comes into focus in a real and personal way. Her own “Aha!” moment came in June of 2008 when, as President Elect, she attended her first international Rotary convention in Los Angeles along with over 30,000 Rotarians. It was during the Parade of Flags when over 500 flags from all over the world marched through the hall that she truly realized the scope of the organization. And she was particularly impressed with the message that the new R.I. President for that year imparted to the gathered members – “Rotary gives ordinary people the opportunity to do the extraordinary and to change lives!” In the years that have followed, she has seen this message proven to be true on multiple occasions.



A few years back, MARTA took part in a Rotary Group Study Exchange, accompanying four teachers as they visited educational settings around the country of Ecuador. The first school that they visited had a “mechanical cow” which would convert soybeans into 30 liters of soymilk per hour. It was an eye opener for her to see this in action, because her Rotary club had held a trivia night fundraiser to help pay for that machine.

Then at the second school they visited, way up in the mountains, there were two big bathrooms emblazoned with the Rotary logo. Yes, Rotarians had provided for these critical needs for people that they did not know in a country far away. “Rotary gives ordinary people the opportunity to do the extraordinary and to change lives!”

In all, their GSE team visited 15 schools all over the area. When their itinerary was completed, they were asked if they would like to make one more stop. This ended up being a prison for boys 13 to 17 years old, and MARTA described their rough backgrounds, bald heads, and tattoos. In the prison, they were being taught a valuable skillset for when they would eventually be released - crafting beautiful wooden trivets. Wouldn't you know it? ... The woodworking machines had been donated by Rotary. Again and again, “Rotary gives ordinary people the opportunity to do the extraordinary and to change lives!”

Today, MARTA told us, Rotary has 35,165 clubs in 535 districts in 34 zones in 220 countries of the world. Through this wide coverage of the globe, we truly do live up to this year's R.I. logo – “Rotary Connects the World.” The impact of Rotary worldwide is amazing! In the last year alone, Rotarians put in 45 million volunteer hours with an estimated value of \$850 million.

Rotary has a new Mission Statement, which says, in part: “Together we see a world where people unite and take action...” There is also a new Strategic Plan, which includes: Support and strengthen clubs / Focus on increasing service / Enhance public image and awareness. But Rotary continues to hold the same core values it has had since its inception in 1905: Diversity, Integrity, SERVICE, Leadership, Fellowship.

Our R.I. President for 2019-20 MARK DANIEL MALONEY from Decatur, Alabama has set some goals, which include plans to:

Grow Rotary

Involve families

Redesign leadership positions

Expand relations with the United Nations

DG MARTA's theme for this year is "Making Good Happen Together with Love, Compassion, and Joy." Her goals for us during her year in leadership:

Grow membership / Exchange ideas / Take action

Rotary Leadership Institute

Focus on Rotary Foundation (in particular, to encourage clubs to do some activity on October 24, which is World Polio Day)

Expand Global Grants and District Grants. (Last year \$145,000 was made available)

Encouraging clubs to earn the Rotary Club Citation

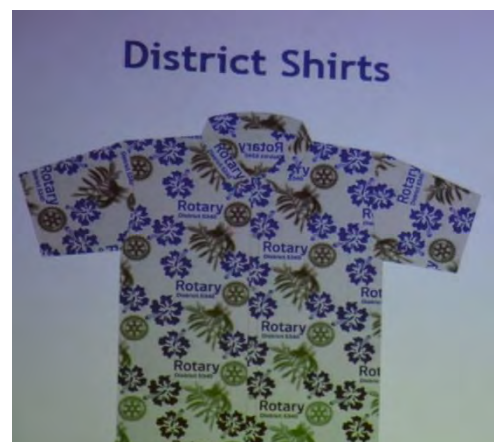
Work with Rotaract (for young professionals and students, age 18-30)

Grow the Sister District Agreement with District 4100 (four states in Mexico)

Colorful postcards were distributed, inviting one and all to "Come Have Fun in the Sun in Coronado" at the District 5340 Conference, April 17-20, 2020. The district is trying to keep the costs down to encourage more attendance, so it will be held at the Coronado Community Center, instead of at a hotel. But there still will be plenty of activities, including a golf tournament, bicycling, walking tours, paddle boarding, and the Coronado flower show. On Friday afternoon there will be a Project Fair and Saturday will be a full day of conference activities and breakout sessions.

We should also consider attending the Rotary International Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii in June of 2020. The District 5340 Aloha shirts have just come in, and order forms are available!

District Governor MARTA wrapped up her remarks by telling us how excited and honored she feels to be able to serve as our DG this year.



And she presented Pres TERRI with a gift (and a suggestion) for our club – A “Pennies for Polio” glass jar which her club found to be a very effective and easy fundraiser toward one of Rotary’s signature causes. So plan on plunking your change into this jar as you enter our meeting each week. Let’s continue to live up to MARTA’s mantra: “Rotary gives ordinary people the opportunity to do the extraordinary and to change lives!”



The floor was then opened up for questions and comments. We heard how the District moved out of its office space in June. Now everything is being handled through emails and answering services through a virtual office setup. This has been working quite well so far, and there are no plans to rent an office at this point (unless it is practically free). Again, they are trying to keep our dues low and spending the district’s money wisely.

As our gift to our speaker, DG MARTA chose a book to be donated to a local elementary school library. And, of course, we bestowed upon her a thunderously sincere round of applause in gratitude for her presentation today as well as for her leadership in the year to come!



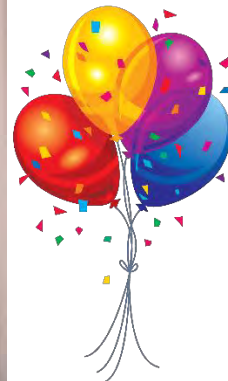
THE OPPORTUNITY DRAWING KNOCKED ON THE SAME DOOR AGAIN

You should have heard the groan that rumbled through the crowd when it became apparent that the lucky ticket #9418829 for the chance at the \$688 jackpot once again was held by our resident lucky lady, ANCHISA FARRANT. As the song says, “Gee, how lucky can you get?” ... In this case, she was not lucky enough to find the Joker, so she just got the \$10 consolation prize.



President TERRI then officially closed the meeting by ringing our bell. But was it really official, since she had to do it with a dinner knife?? When asked where her gavel was, she did not seem at all embarrassed to report that “It’s at home, right alongside my Rotary badge” (which she also forgot ... Cue the heads shaking all around the room.)

And now that this special District Governor visit meeting was wrapped and we would not be breaking protocol, we just had to sing one more song, since it really was VICKIE PROSSER’s actual birthday and, I mean, you simply must sing “Happy Birthday to You” on her actual day, right? ... We did!



ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

LYN CORDER and her husband Al spent a long weekend in New Buffalo, Michigan "Celebrating the Decades" since 5 of the 14 in their family were born in years ending in "9" - and thus, had "Big 0" Birthdays during 2019. Lyn's children planned and organized the family gathering, which included:



[first photo] From left ~ Scott Lothes (husband of Maureen), Gabe Muldoon (almost 12, one of Oceanside Rotary's Paul Harris Fellows); Michelle Muldoon (Ryan's wife and mother of the twins), Judy Ashby and Hugh Muldoon (Lyn's first husband, father of her children and Judy is his wonderful wife and step-mom) Maureen Muldoon, Aidan Muldoon (Gabe's twin and also an Oceanside Paul Harris Fellow), Ryan Muldoon (father of the twins), Bayard Mullkoff (4 years, he was the Chula Vista Rotary Club's youngest ever Paul Harris Fellow at 6 weeks of age) Laura Mullkoff holding Gene Mullkoff (age 1), Cory Muldoon (husband of Laura and father of Bay and Geno).

As LYN noted, *"You will note that one of our grandsons is not yet a PHF, but that day will come ..."*



[Other photo]. The "Big 0" birthdays: Lyn, 70; Hugh, 80; Maureen, 40 (in October); Al, 100 (in October); Scott, 40.

COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

August 9: ROB WEINBERG, “Wear Your Rotary Pin ... or Die!”

Reporter: MAZZARELLA

Saturday, August 10: District 5340 Membership Workshop, 8 am to noon
Joan Kroc Institute at the University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego).
Sign up at the district website. Our club will cover your cost of the workshop!

Thursday, August 15: Evening Social BBQ with Carlsbad Rotary, 6 to 8 pm at
Army Navy Academy – 2605 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad. Cost is \$25. Sign up
on the clipboard at the next meeting for Steak or Chicken.

August 16: **Meeting DARK for Evening Social on Third Thursday**

August 23: LESLEE GAUL, Financial Impact of Oceanside Tourism

Reporter: BLEDSOE LACY

August 30: **Meeting DARK for Labor Day Weekend**