

 BE THE INSPIRATION 2018-2019	ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE SHORELINES			 PRESIDENT Renee Wendee
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December 7, 2018

OPENING:



PREZ RENEE RICHARDSON WENDEE opened the meeting by the ringing of her Presidential Bell a couple of minutes early today. Obviously, she was anxious to get on with the business of the club so we could enjoy the planned entertainment that lay ahead. She then led us in the pledge to our nation’s flag with the reminder to “Remember those who served” (what

with this being Pearl Harbor Day and all). She then inspired us (YES! Welcome, Pledge, and then Inspirational Moment ... This was the **PREZ RENEE** show today) with the following: “Three Wise Women would have asked directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, brought practical gifts, cleaned the stable, made a casserole – and there would be PEACE ON EARTH!” She said this nugget was selected especially for **JANET BLEDSOE LACY**’s benefit and **JANET** was not in attendance today.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PREZ RENEE reminded us that the Club Updates were printed and on the table for members to take with them. The reminders included:

Friday, December 14 – **DARK**

Sunday, December 16 – Potluck Christmas Party, 4 p.m., Rancho Carlsbad Clubhouse – bring a dish to share and the adult beverage of your choosing

Friday, December 21 – **DARK**

Friday, December 28 – **DARK**

Friday, January 4 – Regular Meeting

Friday, January 11 – Noon Meeting will be **DARK**
Rotary Evening Social at **LYN CORDER & Al Somit's** home
(349 Moonstone Bay Drive, Oceanside)

Friday, January 18 – Clinton Young – “Re-Igniting Your Human Spirit”

Friday, January 26 – Johnny Watson – “Mobilizing Rotary Microcredit”

PREZ RENEE then passed around a sign-up sheet for the December 16 potluck. She also reminded the Rotarians who were going to be bell ringing for the Salvation Army this afternoon that the last shift may have to wait a bit as the person that will be picking up the pots would have a lot of locations to pick up. After ringing your bell, you may want to join a group of Rotarians at Hello Betty's on the upper level in conjunction with Oceanside First Night. If you are able to get there early, it would be awesome to save a few seats for our group.

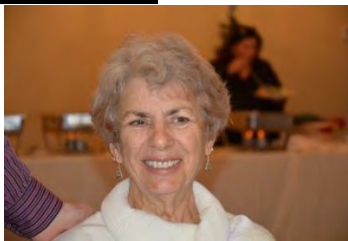
After the fact, a few photos from the bell ringing were sent in to Shorelines. Here you can see some of our smiling Rotarians soliciting for the Salvation Army, and check out the heartwarming photo of the young boy learning firsthand about the joy and fulfillment of giving in the Christmas season!





LYN CORDER wanted to be sure that everyone knew that the drawing of the lucky ticket to win the “Sail Away” trip with Captain **RON MARBEN** which **LYN** and her husband have donated to the club will be held at the Rotary party at her home in January. All of the proceeds from the sale of tickets will be going to our club’s community group project. She anticipates it will be a fun evening, so you should plan on being there on Friday, January 11 (although you do not need to be present to win the “Sail Away” prize)!

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS:



LYN CORDER introduced her husband, **Al Somit**. **JAY CRAWFORD** introduced his wife and sweetheart – (Yes! They are one in the same person!) **Anita**. And **GORDY WITZ** introduced his lovely wife **BJ** whom he met in the Guadalajara Airport over 60 years ago and they’ve been together ever since!

PP TOM BRAULT then led us in welcoming the visitors with our “Welcome Song”!



ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR JULY 2019 – JULY 2020:

The following slate of officers was presented to the membership:

PRESIDENT: Renee Richardson Wendee
PRESIDENT-ELECT:
PRESIDENT ELECT ELECT:
SECRETARY: Renee Richardson Wendee
TREASURER: Les Newquist
SGT AT ARMS Dave Nydegger

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	TERM EXPIRES
Dave Hall	07-01-23
John Hartman	07-01-23
Pam Myers	07-01-20
Anchisa Farrant	07-01-20
Dale Maas	07-01-23
Lola Sherman	07-01-21
Janet Bledsoe Lacy	07-01-21
Lyn Corder	07-01-20
Ernie Mascitti	07-01-23
Mike Curtin	07-01-21
Melissa Rodriguez	07-01-23
Jay Crawford	07-01-20

With no nominations coming forth from the floor, the slate was approved unanimously. **PP TERRI HALL** did inquire whether or not another President Elect could be substituted prior to July if a willing person could be found. That is indeed possible, but **PREZ RENEE** will be attending PETS (President Elect

Training) as our President Elect, we are required by Rotary International to have our future leader there (despite the fact that it will be **RENEE's** FOURTH time at this particular training).

HOLIDAY ENTERTAINMENT:

We were fortunate to be able to obtain the talents of the **Seaside Singers** to entertain us during this wonderful holiday season. They have members that love to sing, celebrate their voices, life, and each other, and they come from all over North County. They meet to practice at the Senior Center in Carlsbad and will be having two more holiday concerts there at the Senior Center – December 19 and December 20 – both at 1:30 p.m.



This group is led by **Jeff Sell**, a “retired Rotarian” and retired MiraCosta College instructor. Their main accompanist on the piano is world renowned pianist **Violetta Petrova** and their bass player is **Mark Phelps** – former instructor at Oceanside High School. Pinch hitting as the accompanist at the start of the concert was **Jean Baseheart** and she did a great job when called upon.

We were fortunate to have this group come together and perform the following:

- 1) Do You Hear What I hear (performed by the whole group of 27+ singers)
- 2) It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas (whole group)
- 3) Gesu Bambino (whole group with **PP DAVE HALL** doing a wonderful solo!)
- 4) Angels We Have Heard on High (whole group)

5) Sleigh Ride (violin solo by **Betty Ritter**, piano by **Jean Baseheart**, and horse hoofs by **Mari Plouf**)

6) Mr. Santa (trio of **Mari Plouf**, **Jean Baseheart** and **Betty Ritter** – AKA “US” – or “Unrelated Sisters”)

7) I’ll be Home for Christmas (whole group)

8) Trilogy of Jolly Old St. Nicholas, Here we Come a Wassailing & Happy Holidays (whole group)



Following a very enjoyable and entertaining concert, **PREZ RENEE** presented the group with a check in appreciation of their efforts. We look forward to seeing them again next year!

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING:



One second after the winning ticket number was announced, a loud and downhearted groan of “Oh, No!” was heard from the back table. **PP JAY CRAWFORD** held the lucky ticket, but only because his wife (the groaner) **Anita** had insisted they trade tickets! Turns out that was not the best move – because **PP JAY** - for the second week in a row – did not draw the winning card. This time he drew a 2 of Hearts and went home with just the \$10 consolation prize again. That means the big prize goes into 2019! Someone

has to win the big bucks eventually!

ADJOURNMENT:

With the gong of her bell, **PREZ RENEE** closed the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR, and
HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!**

WAS THAT SANTA AT OUR MEETING???

Maybe not THE Santa Claus, but **ERNIE MASCITTI** was a suitable merry substitute. He was seen going around the room asking people to answer the question on his shirt. He knew full well that there was no “right” answer to be given ... If you said “Yes”, then you were insulting him by saying that he looked fat. But if you said “No”, then he would call you a liar! Oh, that **ERNIE** is a jolly old soul, indeed!



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Dec 14: **DARK for Christmas Party** on December 16

Dec 16: ROTARY CHRISTMAS PARTY

At Rancho Carlsbad club house

(5200 El Camino Real, Carlsbad – Security at the gate will direct you to the Clubhouse location on Don Juan Drive)

4 pm to ???

Potluck and Bring Your Own Adult Beverage. \$10 fee.

Dec 21: **DARK for Christmas**

Dec 28: **DARK for New Year's**

Jan 4: Speaker TBA

Reporter: JIM SCHRODER

Jan 11: Noon meeting **DARK for Evening Social at LYN CORDER and AL SOMIT's Home** *(349 Moonstone Bay Drive, Oceanside Phone: 760-434-6862)*

Jan 18: CLINTON YOUNG, Reigniting Your Human Spirit

Reporter: LOLA SHERMAN

Jan 25: JOHNNY WATSON – Mobilizing Rotary Microcredit

Reporter: SUSAN BROWN