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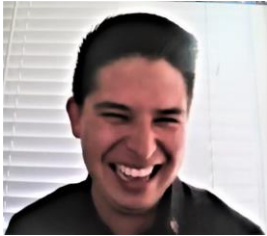
Valentine's Day Meeting

Shortly after the stroke of 12 Noon, faces started appearing on the Zoom screen of the computer. One by one, more and more OCEANSIDE ROTARIANS gathered to see and talk with each other. Suddenly the sound of the conversations taking place was ramping up to sound levels not heard in a while, as each Rotary member was looking for another familiar face to catch up with and find out what is happening with all their friends in Rotary.



Today we were so lucky to have some special loved ones joining us in view of the Zoom screen with many of our Rotarians.

NANCY RUSSIAN had sent out Screensaver Valentine themed backgrounds for each Rotarian to put behind them in the view of the Zoom. Many had used the same screen shot with the Red Hearts and Valentines with a Rotary logo. A major topic of the pre-meeting conversation was who had figured it out and whose screen would not allow it.



Alas it was time for CO-PRESIDENT LJ FIMBRES to call the meeting to order and right on time 12.30 p.m. exactly, he welcomed everyone on Zoom and especially all our special guests today for our Valentine's Day program.



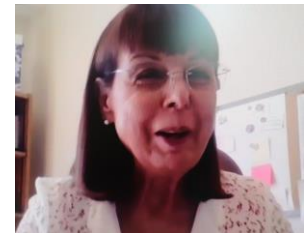
ROTARY MOMENT: PAST PRESIDENT MELISSA RODRIGUEZ

“Even after all this time
The Sun never says to Earth,
“You owe me”

Look what happens
With love like that,
It lights the whole Sky”.

By 14th Century Poet, Hafis.

CLUB UPDATES: PAST PRESIDENT RENEE RICHARDSON



2/18 Board Meeting via Zoom at Noon

2/25 Regular Meeting DARK - Please note this is the date

for the Funeral of our member FRANK COXON (11 am at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 1450 S. Melrose Drive, in Oceanside, 92056 at the corner of Melrose and Cannon). It would be nice to have a good representation from the club there.

Also on this date, our Co-President-Elects RENEE will be attending PETS, Presidential Elect Training in Los Angeles

3/11 Regular Meeting. Hopefully we will be able to meet in person and never again by Zoom. Location to be notified to all, once the decision is finalized.

3/18 Board Meeting via Zoon at Noon

Saturday, **3/19 District Assembly** – 8:30 a.m. to noon - Liberty Station – San Diego

3/25 Regular Meeting – Location to be Determined

INTRODUCTION OF VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

CO-PRESIDENT LJ scanned his screen to pick out who was visiting on this special day.

BOB PICKREL introduced his Bride of 70 years DARLENE

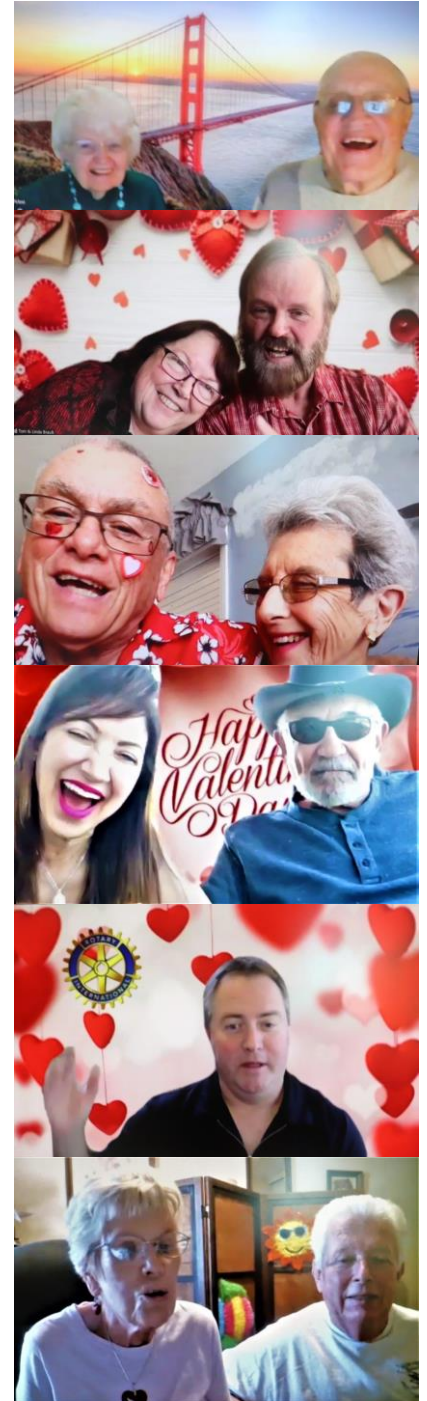
PAST PRESIDENT TOM BRAULT introduced his wife LINDA. She will be helping him with the PowerPoint later.

ERNIE MASCITTI introduced his wife NANCY with a Singing Presentation... Wow...We may have found a potential new Song Leader!

NANCY RUSSIAN introduced her husband and Travel Companion LUIS.

TODD LARSON is a visiting potential Rotarian who said his sweetheart was out tasting wines today.

MARTI FERRIS introduced DAN, her sweetheart, who many of us know



ED PARISH introduced his sweetheart ANNE SPERAW. It is great to see. ANNE appearing to be on the mend from her fractured pelvis earlier this year (although she swears, she won't be doing any more line dancing!)

LES NEWQUIST introduced his wife CRICKET

PAST PRESIDENT JAY CRAWFORD introduced his wife of 20 years ANITA

PAST PRESIDENT DAVE HALL stepped up to lead the signing to the Welcome to Oceanside Rotary song

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

\$73 Happy LYN CORDER for her Birthday this month.

\$44 Happy PAST PRESIDENT JIM SCHRODER celebrating 44 years a Member of Oceanside Rotary Club ...44 Great Years.

The following persons were not in attendance, but still recognized.

SUSAN BROWN 6 Years a Rotarian of Oceanside Rotary

PAST PRESIDENT VICKIE PROSSER 20 years a member of Oceanside Rotary

During this time, JIM SCHRODER announced to the Club that our Rotary Argentinean Friend NADIA NAVARRETE was married yesterday February 10th in Parana, Argentina to GONZALO MONTOYA. Her new married name (if she takes all of it) is "Nadia Guiomar Navarrete de Montoya." That would be a lot of names to have to sign each time. She said she is sticking with "Nadia Navarrete." I would too.



When everyone heard the great news, there were cheers and congratulations to both of the newlyweds.

SHOR DENNY led us in the HAPPY Birthday song for LYN.



HAPPY DOLLARS

\$20 ED PARISH is happy \$10 times two in celebration of his 2 years being a member of the Oceanside Rotary Club

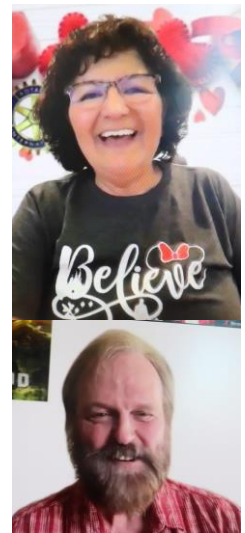
\$20 LES NEWQUIST and CRICKET are happy that their children are coming this afternoon for a visit.

\$20 BOB PICKREL is Happy that he and DARLENE have San Francisco in the background in the Zoom meeting today (as in “I Left My Heart in San Francisco”) and, of course, also happy to be with DARLENE.

\$20 ERNIE MASCITTI is Happy (with heart stickers plastered on his face) that his Brother and Sister-in-Law left for their home after visiting for a while.

\$20 JAY CRAWFORD is Happy that he and ANITA have been happily married 19 years and together 20 years.

\$20 TINA ORTIZ is Happy she and her daughter BRIANNA went to Disneyland. Other positive news: She won \$100 in her wine club and also struck it rich with her scratch off from Rotary which she received from Rotary (courtesy of NANCY RUSSIAN) which was a winner that she can cash in for \$4. Woo hoo!



\$5 TOM BRAULT was \$5 happy to note that TINA was wearing a Disney “Believe” T-shirt featuring Walt and Mickey and the Disneyland castle... He is such a kid at heart...

\$12 Additional Happy \$\$\$\$ - LYN CORDER offered another \$12 (in addition to the \$73 for her Birthday). Her daughter in law had been working in Senegal for USAID for a number of years as a technical writer. When Covid hit, she had to return to the US and has been out of work 2 ½ years. Starting March 1, she will be gainfully employed once again. Hooray! LYN is

relieved that the daughter in law will not have to return to Africa and can work from home.

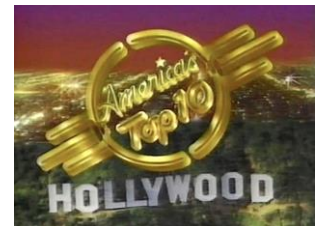
\$100 MELISSA RODRIGUEZ was happy to reconnect with former Oceanside Rotarian CHUCK ANDREAN who asked MELISSA to extend his best wishes to the club.

OUR SPECIAL PROGRAM – Take it away, TOM BRAULT and NANCY RUSSIAN!

TOM and NANCY created a great way to celebrate this Valentine's Day for the OCEANSIDE ROTARY CLUB. This is the second year in a row that the club was locked down to a Zoom meeting for our Sweetheart Valentine's Day meeting. As NANCY put it, "It is so beautiful to see everyone on our Zoom Valentine's Day again. But let's hope that it is our last Zoom Valentine Day ever."

Last year we held a Valentine's Trivia Contest, but this year we turned our focus to Hollywood. Earlier in the week, we were all asked to send in nominations for the movies which made us think of Valentine's Day and Love and Caring.

TOM took all of the suggestions and created a new version of America's Top 10 - Hollywood Movie Edition. TOM then tried to play the part of Casey Kasem, American DJ extraordinaire as he introduced a video clip from each of the films on our lineup of favorites. *"You pick it. We stick it on a piece of paper, slap a random number on it, and call it an official list."*



Are you ready to take a stroll down Movie Memory Lane and hear the Top 10 Countdown? ...

#10 Sent in by BOB PICKREL - the Debra Kerr and Cary Grant film from 1957 An Affair to Remember.

A man and a woman have a romance while on a cruise from Europe to New York. Despite being engaged to other people, both agree to reunite at the top of the Empire State Building in six months. However, an unfortunate accident keeps her from the reunion, and he fears that she



did not show up because she does not love him anymore. But, being a Hollywood movie, in the end they end up in an embrace and presumably live happily ever after.

#9 MIKE CURTIN Last of the Mohicans - 1992.

Daniel Day Lewis's character and the girl who has caught his eye are being chased by a band of Indians. They hide behind a waterfall, but realize they are about to be discovered. She urges him to save himself by jumping into the falls. He realizes this is the only chance to survive and later rescue her, so he tells her to do whatever it takes to stay alive before uttering the romantic line, "No matter how long it takes, no matter how far. I will find you."



#8 LOLA SHERMAN All That Heaven Allows - 1955 with Rock Hudson and Jane Wyman.



LOLA said that she likes films in which love overcomes barriers and prejudices. This film certainly qualifies. Predicated on a May-December romance storyline. The difference here is that it is the woman, attractive widow Cary Scott, who is considerably older than the man, handsome gardener-landscaper Ron Kirby. Throwing conventional behavior to the winds and facing social ostracism, Cary pursues her romance with Ron, who is unjustly perceived as a fortune-hunter by Cary's friends and family.

#7 TERRI HALL Sleepless in Seattle - 1993 with Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks



After the death of his wife, Sam Baldwin moves to Seattle with his son, Jonah. When Jonah calls in to a talk-radio program to find a new wife for his father, Sam grudgingly gets on the line to discuss his feelings. Annie Reed, a reporter in Baltimore, hears Sam speak and falls for him, even though she is engaged. Unsure where it will lead, she writes Sam a letter asking him to meet her at the Empire State Building on Valentine's Day.

#6 THE BRAULT WOMEN, Pride and Prejudice - 2005 starring Keira Knightley



Pride and Prejudice follows the turbulent relationship between Elizabeth Bennet, the daughter of a country gentlemen, and Fitzwilliam Darcy, a rich aristocratic landowner. They must overcome the titular sins of pride and prejudice in order to fall in love and marry. And the Brault gals simply swoon over Mr. Darcy as he declares that she has “bewitched me, body and soul.”

#5 TOM BRAULT Brian's Song - 1971 with James Caan and Billy Dee Williams

TOM notes that “Not all examples of ‘Love’ in movies are of the romantic kind.” Brian's Song recounts the life of Brian Piccolo, a Chicago Bears Football player stricken with terminal cancer after turning pro in 1965, told



through his friendship with teammate Gale Sayers, who famously dedicated an award for courage to his friend – “I love Brian Piccolo, and I want you all to love him, too.”

#4 JANET BLEDSOE LACY Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid - 1969 with Robert Redford, Paul Newman and Katharine Ross.



Based loosely on fact, the film tells the story of Wild West outlaws Robert LeRoy Parker, known as Butch Cassidy and his partner Harry Longbaugh, the “Sundance Kid”, who are on the run from a crack US posse after a string of train robberies. The pair and Sundance's lover, Etta Place flee to Bolivia to escape the posse. JANET shared a 1973 photo of herself and her boyfriend at the time plus STEVE LACY dressed up as Etta, Butch, and Sundance for a costume party. Not long after that, the boyfriend moved away, she and STEVE were married, and to this day her nickname for him is still “Sundance.” (Let’s just hope they don’t end their story by running away to Bolivia ??????)



#3 RENEE RICHARDSON Gone with the Wind - 1939 With Vivien Leigh and Clark Gable.



The manipulative daughter of a Georgia plantation owner conducts a turbulent romance with a roguish profiteer during the American Civil War and Reconstruction periods. RENEE said for her 12th Birthday her Dad (the Gunny) sent her and two girlfriends to the theater to see this movie. She was infatuated with the movie and with “Rhett” - Clark Gable. (Could it be that PAUL WENDEE is really “Rhett” in a second life? Only RENEE knows.)

#2 NANCY RUSSIAN and a number of other Rotarians. NOTTING HILL -1999 with Hugh Grant and Julia Roberts.



William Thacker is a London bookstore owner whose humdrum existence is thrown into romantic turmoil when famous American actress Anna Scott appears in his shop. A chance encounter over spilled orange juice leads to a kiss that blossoms into a full-blown affair. As the average bloke and glamorous movie star draw closer and closer together, they struggle to reconcile their radically different lifestyles in the name of love. The clip we viewed ended with the classic rom-com line, "I'm also just a girl, standing in front of a boy, asking him to love her."

We saw brief clips from a few “Honorable Mention” recommendations by ANCHISA FARRANT (Endless Love) and MIKE CURTIN (Gone in Sixty Seconds).



#1 DAVE HALL When Harry Met Sally - 1989 with Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal



In 1977, college graduates Harry Burns and Sally Albright share a contentious car ride from Chicago to New York, during which they argue about whether men and women can ever truly be strictly platonic friends. After years' worth of friendship and a devastating falling out, suddenly their relationship becomes much more at a New Year's Eve party.

TOM BRAULT ... I mean "Casey Kasem" ... closed with, *"That wraps up our run down of film clips for 2022. Many thanks to everyone who sent in their ideas. I'm Casey Kasem, and I have simply LOVED bringing these scintillating snippets of cinematic synergy to you. Here's hoping that this Valentine's Day program put a little love in your heart. And a special Valentine's shout out to our newlyweds, married just yesterday – Nadia and Gonzalo ... Felicitades, amigos! And Hasta la vista!"*

Thanks to LINDA BRAULT who helped TOM to manage logistics of the PowerPoint presentation.

RENEE gave an extra shout out to guest Todd Larson, a first-time visitor to our club - a member of the Oceanside community who wants to give back to his community. He is a Business Advisor and a Teacher at Northridge. We hope he joins us again.

CO-PRESIDENT LJ thanked everyone for their participation and joining in with our Zoom Valentine's Day Celebrations. Also Thank you to TOM BRAULT and NANCY RUSSIAN for their hard work in putting this all together. Super Special Thanks to NANCY for providing the cute and tasty Valentine gift bags, which each included candies and a "Year of the Tiger" Lottery scratcher card.



As we were signing off, ANCHISA scratched off her lottery card and held it up to the screen to show that she had just won \$2. Add that to the \$4 that TINA ORTIZ won and we are getting a pretty good return on NANCY's investment in her prizes! (If you have not yet received YOUR Valentine gift bag, you can still pick one up from LJ at Abbey Carpets. GO SEE LJ. (...Sounds like a commercial.)

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO EVERYONE



JIM SCHRODER
Today's Shoreline Reporter

"ROTARY AT THE MOONLIGHT" UPDATE

This just in from Event Chair TOM BRAULT:

The Good News: The Moonlight's long-awaited production of "Ragtime" which we had originally bought group tickets to for 2020 (but was delayed due to Covid) will finally be performed this summer, so we still will get to see this remarkable show, including TOM's daughter GERILYN in a featured role onstage. Our date to see this will be FRIDAY, AUGUST 26.



The Bad News: Apparently, in the two years that have passed since we first reserved our seats, the Moonlight must have still been selling season tickets, because we were informed that our previously purchased seats are no longer fully available, and therefore the Moonlight has refunded our money to us.

The Bottom Line: If you were one of the folks who had bought your tickets for “Ragtime” back in 2020, please make sure that you have contacted TOM (tombrault@hotmail.com) to let him know whether you wish to: A) Cancel your reservation and receive a refund by check by mail; or B) Apply your refund amount to tickets for this year’s production on Friday, August 26. (There may be a minor increase in the pricing, with the final cost depending on whether we qualify for their Group Discount again. We will ask you to cover the difference in price, once we get the final numbers figured out.)

AN OPEN INVITATION: If you were NOT in on the original 2020 reservations, but you would like to join us to see this show this summer, contact TOM ASAP to let him know you would like to be included in our Rotary ticket order. (The price will be either \$43 or \$49 or \$51 per person, depending on if we qualify for the group discount / if you are a Senior (60+) / etc.)

THESE TICKETS FOR “RAGTIME” 2022 WILL BE PURCHASED ON MONDAY, MARCH 14, SO BE SURE TO CONTACT TOM BY SUNDAY, MARCH 13 TO LET HIM KNOW IF YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THIS FUN AND FABULOUS NIGHT AT THE MOONLIGHT ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 26.

ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

On Super Bowl Sunday, ANCHISA FARRANT was focused on a different, non-gridiron competition. The Clubhouse at their Rancho Carlsbad community held a Chili Contest. After all the tasting and voting was done, ANCHISA took home First Prize in the cookoff for her “Pork Thai Chili – No Beans.” Sounds mighty tasty! (And apparently it was, as confirmed by her empty crockpot.)

The prize included \$50 in cash to the winner. What are her plans for these winnings? you might ask: “It covered the price of the brand-new crockpot.” Ah, an investment in future culinary competitions. Well done, ANCHISA! Smart move!



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Friday, February 18 - Board meeting on Zoom at noon

Friday, February 25 – DARK for our regular meeting so that it will be possible for members to attend the funeral service for FRANK COXON at St. Thomas More Catholic Church (1450 S. Melrose Drive, in Oceanside, 92056 at the corner of Melrose and Cannon), starting at 11 am.

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