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PRESIDENT CHUCK WARD opened the meeting by daintily “pinging” the bell with his ice tongs at 12:29 P.M. (another one of his substitute gavels).

Then PRES CHUCK welcomed all of us to “North County’s Premier Rotary Club” and asked JANET BLEDSOE LACY to lead us in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.



SONG

TOM BRAULT led us in singing “SMILE.”



ROTARY MOMENT:

PRES CHUCK asked the membership to think of “why we love Rotary” and asked one member at each table to share their example. As a reward for this sharing, the lucky members involved each received an extra ticket for our opportunity drawing.



JANET BLEDSOE LACY said “Because we love our President.” She very quickly clarified that comment by saying, “I mean, our President of Rotary!” (It was somewhat surprising that PRES CHUCK didn’t award JANET a couple more tickets after that blatantly obvious presidential ego stroking!)



DALE MAAS said “Because of the friendship and companionship of members.”



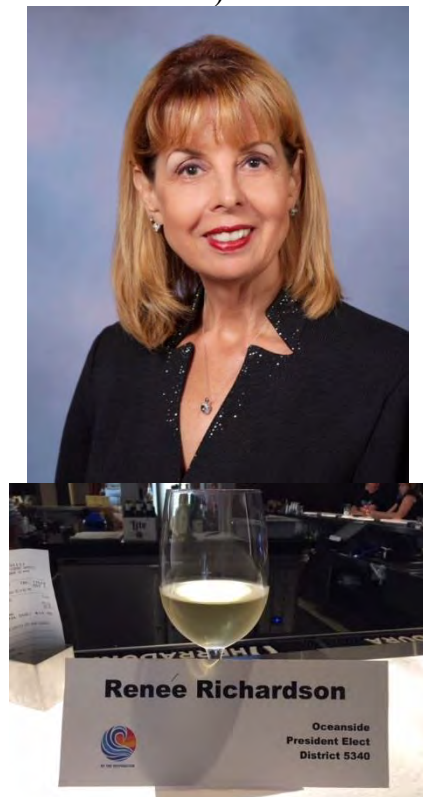
ANITA ROMAINE said “Because I wouldn’t be sitting at this meeting if it weren’t for Rotarian” – specifically former club member Dr. RICK MOHRLOCK who introduced her to her eventual husband, JAY CRAWFORD, 16 years ago in 2002.

PRES CHUCK added that Rotary is also valuable for networking, for citizens accomplishing community projects, and for our contribution to the education of our youth.

CLUB UPDATES:

With our PRES ELECT / SECRETARY RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE away at her remedial PETS training *, PRES CHUCK gave us the following updates:

- a. Friday, March 9th will be our Military Awards Luncheon. We will be hosting the Fallbrook Rotary Club here at the El Camino Country Club, recognizing some of the outstanding members of the United States Navy and Marine Corps.
- b. Rotarians, Board Members, and Committee Chairs please mark your calendars for March 24 for the Rotary District Assembly, and plan on bringing a new member, or an old-timer along. Remember we are in a leadership crisis, and the assembly will be key in helping find new leaders for our club. The District Assembly starts at 8:30 A.M. in San Diego, and adjourns at noon. If you would like to stop for lunch on the return home, please let RENEE know, so she can plan ahead.
- c. * LATE BREAKING NEWS: On Sunday, we heard from PRES ELECT RENEE, who is happy to report that she successfully graduated from her third PETS training weekend. (HALLELUJAH! If she had not passed this hurdle, we might have ended up being stuck with PRES CHUCK in charge for another year. Can you imagine?? ... And you can bet that CHUCK is the happiest person of all about this news.)



VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS:

At this Sweethearts Day meeting, we were not lacking for guests to introduce!



RUDY VAN HUNNICK introduced his wife, ELIZABETH.



LYN CORDER introduced her husband, ALBERT SOMIT.



JAY CRAWFORD introduced his wife, ANITA ROMAINE.



SUSAN BROWN introduced her husband, GARY.



LOLA SHERMAN introduced visiting Rotarian, Dr. TOM CURTIN.





VICKIE PROSSER introduced her husband, LLOYD.



ERNIE MASCITTI introduced his sister, AUDREY ALLEN, a retired teacher from Chicago.



LARRY HATTER introduced his wife, CATHIE.



DAVID NYDEGGER introduced his sweetheart, MARTA HALL.



NANCY RUSSIAN introduced her husband, LUIS RODRIGUEZ.



MELISSA RODRIGUEZ introduced an attorney associate, KYLE PEDERSON (who happens to work at the law firm of Greenman, Lacy, Klein, Hinds & Weiser.... Gee, why does one of those partner names sound so familiar? Or two of the names, if you have been in the club long enough!)



TOM BRAULT led us in saluting all of our guests by singing “Welcome to Oceanside.”

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Consulting the list provided to him by our Secretary, PRES CHUCK sense a great chance to raise some money by hitting people up for not knowing their club anniversaries. Imagine his surprise when almost everyone knew how many years they have been in Oceanside Rotary and offered up happy dollars to back it up.



DIEGO DOBSON – Our President hinted that DIEGO was in the “Freshman class”, so he had little trouble figuring out that February is his one year anniversary. Quick as can be, DIEGO forked over \$1.



SUSAN BROWN – 2 years



VICKIE PROSSER is the one person who had to play the “higher / lower” game for her number of years until she finally landed on 16.



And JIM SCHRODTER really came prepared for this question, as he passed a copy of a news clipping around the room, with a picture of him being inducted in 1978 – a whopping 40 years ago!



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING



PRES CHUCK asked for a pair of blue tickets for our drawing to see who would take part in the high card draw elimination. The plan was for the second place finisher to receive the two tickets to the USS Midway Museum which were given to the club last week by our speaker, and the high card holder would have the chance to find the Joker and win the pot of \$500. Holding the lucky numbers were VICKIE PROSSER and NANCY's husband LUIS RODRIGUEZ. In that stage of the competition, VICKIE had the low card and snagged the Midway tix (which not-so-secretly LUIS and NANCY would have preferred to have won). When the big bucks were on the line, LUIS picked a Queen, and so earned the \$10 consolation prize, which he wanted to give back to the club, but was told that was not allowed.

HAPPY DOLLARS:



LYN CORDER was \$5 happy for her new grandbaby.

DALE MAAS was \$5 happy that his house is now in escrow.



JANET BLEDSOE LACY was \$10 happy to give her annual Sweethearts Day Public Service Announcement, reminding us all that she is a Family Law Attorney, and would be glad to represent any Rotarian who wanted to sell their home and divide their assets in their divorce.

RUDY VAN HUNNICK was \$20 happy to see all the “pretty girls” at the meeting and another \$20 happy to have his wife ELIZABETH with him, who asked him to behave at the meeting.



STEPHANIE YOO was \$10 happy for the great start for the Mottino YMCA Annual Campaign which kicked off recently.

ANCHISA FARRANT was \$5 happy that NANCY RUSSIAN has planned a trip to Thailand 2 days from now.



NANCY RUSSIAN was \$10 happy to be going on her trip to Thailand and for the extra goodies that ANCHISA is sending along with her in her luggage.



JAY CRAWFORD was \$5 happy that a bunch of Oceana residents and Rotarians came to Fratelli’s Italian Restaurant last Tuesday for a fundraiser dinner for ANITA’S Civitan Club Projects, and \$200 was raised for her club.

PROGRAM:

PRES CHUCK turned the meeting over to our Sweethearts Day Chair NANCY RUSSIAN.



NANCY wished us a HAPPY VALENTINE and said there were “Roses and Candy” for all of us at our tables. She said we were going to have ‘Trivia and Musical Entertainment.’”

She started off the trivia part by activating an animated stuffed doll at the podium which sang a familiar Valentines song. The two part question: 1) Name the tune (which a lot of people knew to be “Stupid



Cupid”) and 2) Who sang the song? ANITA ROMAINE got the right answer - Connie Francis.

When asked if anyone knew who wrote the song, TOM BRAULT got it right - Neil Sedaka.

What Monk invented the first champagne? We toasted VICKIE PROSSER who knew it was – Dom Perignon.

What is the most popular Shakespeare play? (Some might argue the answer should be *Midsummer Night’s Dream* with three weddings at the end. But ERNIE’S sister, AUDREY ALLEN gave the “right” answer – *Romeo and Juliet*.

When did St. Valentine’s Day originate? The answer was 278 A.D., but it got all muddy by Pope Gelasius I in the 5th Century.

Which saint was removed from the General Roman Calendar list of celebrated feast days in 1969? ... TERRI HALL (and a whole bunch of other folks) knew it was St. Valentine.

What was believed in medieval times to be the internal organ to cause love? Not the pancreas or the spleen. No, it was the liver!

NANCY then announced that the next part of our program would take a nostalgic trip through some “Oldies” featuring four of our very own talented performers, VICKIE PROSSER, TERRI HALL, DAVE HALL, AND TOM BRAULT, accompanied by karaoke tracks on a boom box.



First up, was VICKIE singing a 1920’s tune by Helen Kane (and made memorably popular by Betty Boop) “I Wanna’ Be Loved By You.” Next, DAVE & TERRI sang a duet of “Til There Was You” from *The Music Man*. Then TOM sang the song “On The Street Where You Live” from *My Fair Lady*.



VICKIE then transitioned into the crooners of the 1940's –50's by singing "Unforgettable." DAVE & TERRI sang "Something Stupid." Crooners gave way to early rock and roll, and TERRI & VICKIE donned veils, held bouquets and teamed up on "Chapel of Love." TERRI then sang "Love Potion #9." DAVE put on his Elvis sunglasses to sing "Can't Help Falling In Love."

Transitioning into the 60's, all four of our singers channeled the "Fab Four" with a rendition of "She Loves You." (Yeah, yeah, yeah!) TOM followed with two more romantic Beatles tunes: "And I Love Her" and "Why Don't We Do It In the Road?" (Yeah... Really romantic, TOM!)



Continuing to move forward in time, we had a visit from Sonny & Cher (DAVE & TERRI, complete with wigs and a moustache) who sang "I Got You Babe." VICKIE & TOM sang the Association's big hit "Cherish." DAVE sang Jim Croce's "Time In A Bottle." TOM sang Billy Joel's "Just the Way You Are." VICKIE sang the theme song from "Titanic." Finally, the audience was asked to join in singing "What The World Needs Now is Love."





PRES CHUCK said NANCY put together “an incredibly entertaining” program. NANCY thanked our singers DAVE, TERRI, VICKIE & TOM and gave them each “special candy.” (“Ferraro Rocher ... Ooooh!”) And since she had a few minutes left, NANCY threw out a few more trivia questions:

Which Roman god was depicted as a plump cherub with a bow and arrow? LYN CORDER answered it right... Cupid!

Who was Cupid’s mother? CATHIE HATTER knew the answer...Venus!

If you’re quick to show your feelings, where do you wear your heart? DAVE NYDEGGER chimed in with...On your sleeve!

Who was behind the St. Valentine’s Day Massacre?..... JANET BLEDSOE LACY had the answer: Al Capone!

Which singer had the Top Ten hit “Cupid” (draw back your bow)?..... Nobody knew it was Sam Cooke!

Which Scottish poet wrote “A Red, Red Rose?”..... TERRI HALL correctly guessed Robert Burns!

With that, PRES CHUCK tickled the bell with his ice tongs and wished us a HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY at 1:33 P.M. (although, it really wasn’t the truth...We all know VALENTINE’S DAY is really February 14.... But, his heart was in the right place!) Have a wonderful weekend and “GO USA OLYMPIANS!”



ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT



This past Wednesday, the TOM BRAULT family headed up to Hollywood to dine at a chic Cahuenga Boulevard eatery, stroll the stars on the Walk of Fame, and capped off the evening watching an eye popping performance of Disney's Broadway hit "Aladdin" at the Pantages Theatre.

TIME TO CHOOSE OUR SUMMER MOONLIGHT MUSICAL

Thanks to the folks who have already expressed their preferences for which Moonlight musical we should choose for our group gathering this year. There still is a little time left to get your opinion into the mix. Here is the lineup of shows and dates:

MAMMA MIA! June 22

DISNEY'S NEWSIES July 27

DISNEY'S HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME August 24

CHICAGO THE MUSICAL September 14

Any one of these shows would be excellent choices for our group, but we do have to choose one. So please let Event Chair TOM BRAULT know by email (tombrault2@gmail.com) which of these shows you may be interested in seeing. We will choose the one with the most expressed interest, and we will be making that choice within the next couple of weeks, so contact TOM right away!

COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

February 16 – KATHLEEN CATON – Savory Spice Shop, Encinitas

Reporter: JANET BLEDSOE LACY

February 23 – Speaker TBA, Beach Soccer Tournament

Reporter: A.J. MAZZARELLA

March 2 – JOHN DALEY, Oceanside History – El Corazon

Reporter: PAM MYERS

March 9: MILITARY AWARDS WITH FALLBROOK ROTARY

Reporter: VICKIE PROSSER

March 16: COL. JOHN POLIDORO

Reporter: JIM SCHRODER

March 23: USS MIDWAY, Part 2

Reporter: TOM BRAULT

March 24: DISTRICT ASSEMBLY, San Diego (8:30 am to Noon)

March 30: DARK for Good Friday