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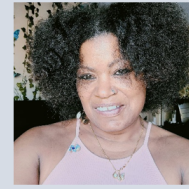
ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE

SHORELINES

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At precisely 12:31.5 p.m. PRESIDENT SHOR DENNY gaveled the OCEANSIDE ROTARY Club Bell summoning one and all to stand for the first meeting of the new Presidency of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.



Within seconds the entire room erupted into conversation and chairs scattering in all directions as all those attending suddenly left the room and stepped outside to continue their conversations as if nothing was going on. It was total chaos for several minutes.



PRESIDENT SHOR giggled a bit and had that look of “What the heck did I get myself into?” After a few minutes, everyone returned to their seats, but it took a few minutes for everyone to settle into the meeting.



For those not familiar with what was happening here, at the first meeting of the new ROTARY Year it is the tradition for all members and guests of the OCEANSIDE ROTARY CLUB to walk out on the new President. Not out of disrespect, but for fun. SHOR took it in good stride and attempted to “restart” her meeting.

SHOR then discovered that the microphone was not working. Not her fault, but one of the first things Presidents should always check prior to the meeting starting is to MAKE SURE THE MICROPHONE IS FUNCTIONAL. SHOR punted well, though, as she moved on in a loud voice which carried well across the room and commanded our attention.

OCEANSIDE ROTARY CLUB will be celebrating 100 years of service to our community this coming year. The history that this club has is amazing!

THE FOUR WAY TEST

SHOR has changed the routine at the beginning of the meeting a little by calling on all of us to recite The Four Way Test together. Yes, each and every one of us in attendance repeated The Four Way Test out loud. Good thing there was a new Rotary Banner on display at the front of the room with the text in large letters so those that may have forgotten a minor part of The Four Way Test would not be embarrassed.

“IS IT THE TRUTH?

IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?”



Every meeting in the future will start with the Four Way Test. By the end of the year, we will be saying it in our dreams, too.

PLEDGE was led by PAST PRESIDENT MIKE CURTIN

CLUB UPDATES - presented by PAST PRESIDENT, PAST PRESIDENT, PAST PRESIDENT, PAST PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY RENEE RICHARDSON



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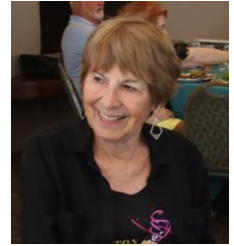
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Friday, August 25th, Rotary Social at Moonlight Amphitheatre for the group who purchased tickets earlier to enjoy the musical “42nd Street.” Showtime is 8 pm.

PAST PRESIDENT TOM BRAULT also announced that a time and place will be announced for those wishing to join with other members for dinner prior to the performance at Moonlight. It makes for a fun evening.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS:

THOMASINA JACKSON - Membership Chair – asked for any visiting Rotarians and Visiting Guests to stand and be recognized.



ED PARISH introduced his sweetheart Anne Speraw

Prior to our welcome song THOMASINA, our New Membership Chair, demonstrated one way in which she wants to help new Red Badgers get through their process fast so as to receive their Blue Badge sooner. She has created a whiteboard for the new members to keep track of their progress and check off the various requirements as they accomplish them. Also, she mentioned being at a Chamber Mixer Reception at the Food Bank recently where she took the opportunity to speak to a number of other guests about Oceanside Rotary. It can be just that easy to spread the word about Rotary, and THOMASINA reminded us that we ALL should consider ourselves to be Deputy Membership Chairs – We all should be looking for new members.



WELCOME SONG - Led by PAST PRESIDENT DAVE HALL. It was great to hear all the voices singing again after a lull in our meeting schedule.

PRESIDENTIAL ITEMS

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

We had four July Birthdays in attendance

PAST PRESIDENT TOM BRAULT gave \$50 to the Rotary Foundation (because, as he confessed, he “could not afford \$1 per year” due to having several trips coming up for his family)

PAST PRESIDENT JAY CRAWFORD who gave \$87 for his 87th Birthday.

MIKE WESELOH who gave \$70 - But “Who’s counting?” was MIKE’s addendum.

PAST PRESIDENT of SAN LUIS REY ROTARY CLUB TINA ORTIZ gave \$61 to the Rotary Foundation, and told us of her birthday “Staycation in Oceanside” at the Mission Pacific Hotel overlooking the blue Pacific Ocean. Sounds like a good time to me.



All the Birthday persons struggled to get in the tiny frame for their Birthday Photo snapped by photographer JANET BLEDSOE LACY. My question: Why not just take a photo of the group without the frame or put in two faces at a time? Having a convention of faces just does not work. A suggestion from yours truly - today's reporter at large.

PAST PRESIDENT BILL DERN led the group in singing Happy Birthday to our July Birthdays. Happy Birthday to you all!



HAPPY \$\$\$\$\$\$

\$55 PAST PRESIDENT TERRI HALL was happy to be at their Grandson's Graduation but unfortunately this meant they were not with us at Rotary last month to celebrate their 55th Anniversary of 55 years of "Wonderful, Blissful, Loving, Delightful", and many more adjectives of their wedded bliss. So, TERRI made this tardy, but generous donation to the Oceanside Rotary Club Foundation.



\$55 PAST PRESIDENT DAVE HALL stood up following TERRI and said, "Yeah ... \$55 for 55 years..." Lots of excitement in those word, DAVE. (But we all know that TERRI can be a tough act to follow sometimes.)

Note also that, in quite a coincidence, LARRY HATTER and his wife Cathie were married 55 years ago on the same year, same date, and within just an hour or so of the same time as TERRI and DAVE.

\$10 LA-RENE MALCOLM will soon be Happily vacationing in Trinidad. Wow...sounds like fun to me!

RENEE RICHARDSON is glad to have shed her presidential duties and be back as "just" secretary of the OCEANSIDE ROTARY club. She also thanked PAST PRESIDENT JIM SCHRODER for the Hospitality at his home on the 3rd of July party. JIM also paid for the table and chair rentals. 50 people enjoyed the evening. It was a fun evening with lots of great food. Too bad the low clouds messed with the visibility of the Fireworks provided by the City of Oceanside (although some private individuals set off some bursts just to the left and the right of the main official display, and their renegade bursts avoided the cloud bank and were much more visible.)

\$10 PAST PRESIDENT BILL DERN visited the Colorado Rockies with his sons and had a great time at 10,000 feet elevation. Rocky Mountain High! (See photos and details in “Rotarians Out and About”)

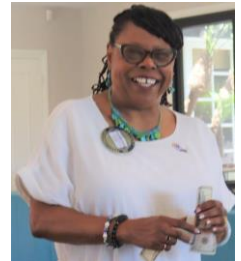


\$5 LOLA SHERMAN speaking in impeccable French, which we ALL understood clearly (HA!), announced that today, Friday July 14, is Bastille Day in France. For those not familiar with this French National Holiday Day, it is the anniversary of the storming of the Bastille, a fortress-prison in Paris, on July 14, 1789, a major event of the French Revolution, and LOLA was wearing the colors of France along with a beret to commemorate this auspicious date.



\$5 PAST PRESIDENT JAY CRAWFORD is going to Bozeman, Montana later this month to see his grandson, now a professor at Montana State University in Bozeman.

\$5 THOMASINA JACKSON is very enthusiastic to be the Membership Chair this week for the Oceanside Rotary Club. We love your enthusiasm THOMASINA! A helpful heckler reminded her, “You do know that this job is for the whole year???” to which THOMASINA beamed and replied, “Oh, in that case, I’ll add another 5 dollars!”



\$5 TERRI HALL is happy to announce that her daughter is in Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia, for a Yoga Retreat to be trained to teach Yoga. Just happens my neighbor Sally Hiscock and Linda Birnie, wife of Rotarian BILL BIRNIE of this club are also at this retreat or one similar. Wow ... what a small world!

\$20 SHOR DENNY is “HAPPY SHE IS PRESIDENT THIS YEAR.”

PROGRAM

PRESIDENT SHOR – CLUB ASSEMBLY

SHOR presented to RENEE RICHARDSON and THOMASINA JACKSON “Wine Charms.” They attach to your wine glass stem



or other alcoholic beverage of choice at a social function so you will not lose your drink. I had never heard it called this before. I have had them, at a function or two, but that didn't stop me from still losing the drink with my name attached to it. Hopefully they will work better for RENEE and THOMASINA (who had been singled out for this honor by being, in SHOR's estimation, the biggest wine enthusiasts in our club).

SHOR then introduced her Board members who were present today and called them to the front of the room. JAY CRAWFORD, MIKE CURTIN, RENEE RICHARDSON, LES NEWQUIST, THOMASINA JACKSON, JANET BLEDSOE LACY. Also in the crowd playing low key as she always does was LOLA SHERMAN. She is also on the board and happy that her name was not called so she would not have to go up front and stand up there for the recognition and applause.



SHOR wants everyone to be familiar with the this year's Rotary International theme set by our ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT from Scotland, GORDON MCINALLY – "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD."

He has chosen PRIORTIZING MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS around the world as a major focus of his year in leadership. "Talking about mental illness and emotional health may be uncomfortable, but it's vital to the well being of Rotary's global community. RI GORDON MCINALLY encourages clubs and districts to work toward creating a space where it's safe to address these issues to help provide a welcoming and equitable environment for all." (I took this passage from the Rotarian July 2023 issue.)

SHOR presented everyone in attendance with a Rotary lapel pin which reads "CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD - ROTARY" to wear proudly. We also had our attention brought to the slips of paper she had printed with special comments and compliments which had been placed on each plate in the dining room today. We shared the positive words of encouragement with our tablemates.

SHOR told us to concentrate on where we are going as a club this year. To honor our International President's efforts, there are opportunities to help those in our local community suffering with Mental Illness. One suggestion would be to create posters with positive messages such as "BREATHE" to be placed around town to be displayed by various organizations and businesses. These posters would include an acknowledgement that they were produced with the support of OCEANSIDE ROTARY to help build community awareness of our efforts.

So, one of the goals for the club in the new Rotary year ahead is a Public Health Campaign. More on this as the summer progresses.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

As our meeting was winding down, THOMASINA blurted out "It's time for the drawing"! Well.... A lucky ticket was drawn and guess who held the lucky number to go up front and hopefully draw the Joker card and go home with \$1,000 more in cash than you came in with....

Yep, you guessed it – It was THOMASINA herself. She held the lucky number today. Unfortunately, she did not draw that lucky Joker card but went home with just the \$10 consolation. We have to be getting close to the end of this dwindling deck of cards. It has been along dry spell since Lucky Lady ANCHISA won and won.



Our meeting adjourned a little early today, which was A-OK with everybody.

A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

DAN WILSON is catching up on Rotary stuff by sending in this photo and writeup:

"I was honored to represent the club at the Oceanside High School Senior Awards night recently, where I presented a \$1000 scholarship award to Jesse Lopez Garcia. Jesse (and his mom!) was very happy to receive the award and will be using it to help with expenses when he starts the fall semester at Mira Costa College. Jesse would like to attend a club meeting in the near future to say thanks to the club in person and get to meet our members."



ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

As promised before, here are some photos provided by BILL DERN from his recent journey to the Rocky Mountain state to visit members of his family there. First, we see BILL and sister-in-law CARRIE at the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, Colorado. Film buffs may recognize this as the spot where the movie “The Shining” with Jack Nicholson took place. (“HERE’S JOHNNY!!!”)



Next a few shots from Rocky Mountain National Park at about 12,000 feet elevation with his brother JOHN and some elk. (BILL didn’t catch their names for the record.)



Next up, BILL with son SHAUN and some of his family at the Garden of the Gods near Colorado Springs.



And a gathering with son CHRIS and his family at their home in Monument, Colorado.

Thanks for sharing these pretty pictures of your handsome family in these beautiful locations!

TOM BRAULT is starting his Midwest vacation, beginning with an extended family reunion of the Oestreich clan who gathered together in Galena, Illinois for a weekend of hugs and animated conversations catching up on each other’s lives.

Here we see TOM with all three of his brothers flanking Mom MARTHA who will be celebrating birthday number 93 in just a few weeks. Then it was up to the Brault Family’s cottage set on a placid lake in the Wisconsin Northwoods where, on their first evening there, son-in-law MARK DERN and granddaughter BROOKE were treated to a double rainbow over Pine Isle on their very first visit to Three Lakes. More family magic to come in the rest of the visit still to come!



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(NOTE: You can join us for the dinner, even if you do NOT have a ticket with us to see the show. Talk to Event Chair TOM BRAULT to get plugged into the details on that dining opportunity.)