



**ROTARY CLUB OF
OCEANSIDE**

SHORELINES

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November 10, 2017

Our illustrious leader, **CHUCK WARD**, rang our Rotary bell on time, but very weakly. It was, however, very clear that his “real” gavel had gone missing once again. (Unbelievable!!!!)

CHUCK said that it was Veterans Day, but **VICKIE PROSSER** corrected him by saying that Veterans Day is actually Saturday and that November 10th is the Marine Corps’ Birthday – the 242nd!

Mr. President gave a lovely prayer in observance of Veterans Day. **CHUCK** went a little out of our normally perfect order by asking anyone who had served in the military to stand and be recognized. It was a very proud moment for everyone to applaud their service to our country. Thanks again!

BOB PICKREL led our fine group in the Pledge of Allegiance. We all stood proud.



Our Rotary Moment was delivered by **DALE MAAS**. When he was on vacation in Arizona, he heard a man in a nearby house yelling at a lady. Later, when he was taking a walk, he saw that same lady carrying a one-year old child with clothes and belongings, trying to find a church which would get her in contact with a woman’s resource center. **DALE** gave her some money and a stuffed toy for her child. **DALE** discovered that a woman’s resource center is a very important place for women in need. We need to get behind our local charities and the fundraising events which help them monetarily.

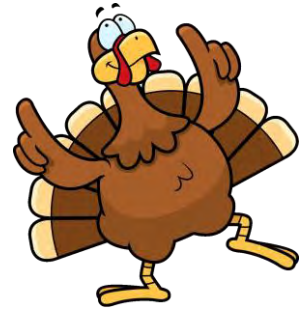




DAVE HALL helped us remember our veterans by singing the hymns for the Armed Forces. “America the Beautiful” is always an appropriate song at any of our meetings.

Announcements

CHUCK and DAVE reminded us that next week, November 17th, is the day we all need to bring frozen turkeys to the meeting. Brother Benno’s will pick them up by 12:30. Don’t worry, the turkeys will be eaten with dignity and joy, one leg at a time.



While you are thinking about holiday giving, don’t forget that we will soon be forwarding a list of suggested gifts (focusing on the moms) which will be collected and then distributed at the Women’s Resource Center’s Christmas event.

Oceanside Rotary recently turned in a bunch of contributions (a combination of Happy Dollars and matching bucks from the Board) totaling \$1,040 to the Rotary International Foundation’s Polio Plus drive, getting the effort *this much closer!*

We have an away meeting at the Star Theater on December 1st. Don’t Forget!

And this just in from our president: *“Dick Young has earned the honor of an honorary membership into the prestigious Oceanside Rotary Club. Congratulations to youthful Dick Young.”*

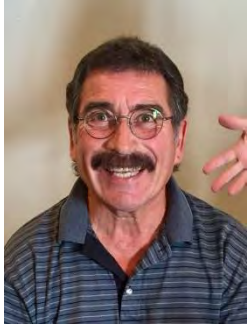
Guests



CHUCK introduced his lovely wife, BARBARA. CHUCK tripped and joked that he had fallen for her before. (Sappy and sweet works every time. Good job, CHUCK!)



CHUCK also introduced our speaker ELKIE WILLS.



JIM SCHRODER introduced a “special guest” VIRGIL FLORES, who is a friend.



Our president welcomed back NANCY RUSSIAN, who has been on quite a getaway with her husband, LUIS. She sent photos in for last week’s Shorelines. Pretty exciting!



LARRY HATTER reminded us about JORDY SPARKS, who was a guest for the last time, soon to be inducted into our club.

A New Member, and a New Blue Badger



Right on cue, CHUCK then had JORDY, LARRY, and RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE come to the front to officially induct JORDY into our phenomenal club. We were extremely proud to make JORDY our newest member. He describes himself as an Education Activist, which he will surely explain in further detail when he does his “Who Am I.” Welcome, JORDY, to our Rotary family. LARRY was \$50 happy to have sponsored JORDY and JORDY was \$20 happy to be a part of our club.



A.J. MAZZARELLA and VICKIE PROSSER joined our President and RENEE, our secretary extraordinaire, at the podium. A.J. had been a Red Badger and earned his Blue Badge. Yay! Congratulations A.J. We are very proud to have you as an active member of our club. VICKIE was \$20 happy to have sponsored him.

Where is the Gavel?



While she was already up, VICKIE PROSSER let us know that our President had indeed had his gavel grabbed by someone, sometime after he had gonged our last meeting closed. In the absence of our normal Gavel Gamemaster TOM BRAULT, VICKIE took over the

task of bringing up the three boxes for CHUCK to choose from for the umpteenth time, one of which held CHUCK's "real" gavel. Proving that he is luckier at picking boxes than he is at holding onto his gavel, the chosen Box #3 did indeed hold the elusive prize. The big question remains: "How long will it take for CHUCK to lose it again?" This reporter hopes that you area all keeping up with all of the comings and goings of this year's gavel, which will continue, I'm sure.



Other Folks Trying their Luck



The Opportunity Drawing brought MELISSA RODRIGUEZ and BOB PICKREL up to the front to throw bags to win the chance to draw a card. MELISSA had the high score on the beanbag toss, but drew the Queen of Diamonds instead of the Joker, so the \$500 jackpot will still be there for us all next week.



Today's Program



CHUCK introduced ELKIE WILLS from the Humane Society. She brought some brochures, magazines, and a video to explain who they are and what they do. The Humane Society now has campuses in San Diego, Escondido, and Oceanside. There are 320 staff members, 5000 volunteers, and 9-12 veterinarians. Animal rescuers help the most confused animals to settle down. 84% of the rescued animals are released to good homes instead of being euthanized.

P.A.W.S. helps people with HIV and AIDS take care of their pets, especially with food. Approximately 500 people are homebound with pets.

Project Wildlife assists with injured wild animals to aid in their eventual release back into the wild.

Community Engagement goes into the schools and scout groups to educate students about the Humane Society and their animals.

ELKIE asked if we had any questions:

DAVE HALL asked if there were volunteer opportunities.

There is training so volunteers can help with foster care, dog walking, etc.

BOB PICKREL asked about the monetary support for their organization.

ELKIE said that they have a \$25 million budget with approximately \$16 million coming from bequests from wills and estates.

JIM SCHRODER asked about adoption fees.

These are prorated according to senior status and the status of the animal.

CHUCK WARD asked about the locations in Oceanside.

The Humane Society is in the process of leasing larger buildings by the airport.

RON MARBEN said that he had stopped by the shelter in Oceanside and there were very few cats.

ELKIE said that they have been able to find foster families for most of the cats, but the kittens too young to leave their facility are still around, and they are kept in a different building until they are properly weaned.

JIM SCHRODER asked what can be done for insistently barking dogs in neighborhoods.

Code Enforcement is an option.

CHUCK then gave ELKIE a beautiful pot from TERI Inc. with lovely succulents from ANCHISA MARBEN. A donation was made to TERI, Inc. in ELKIE's honor.



The Meeting Goes into Overtime for Happy Dollars



Instead of dismissing us after the program, President CHUCK talked about being very impressed with so many of our members going on trips. He asked JIM SCHRODER about his most recent excursion to Chile and Easter Island. JIM has visited 157 countries so far and was \$20 happy to have gone on the adventures and gotten back safely.



NANCY RUSSIAN was \$20 happy to be back from her trip to Monte Carlo and Barcelona for her husband's birthday. She was also happy to announce her granddaughter in Chicago, SOPHIA, will be a new short term Rotary Exchange Student. Her son was a Rotary Exchange Student in the 90's to Germany. Her other granddaughter ZOE made the State Allstar team for field hockey and the team won. Looks like ZOE will be attending Northwestern in a year to pursue her studies to become a surgeon.

LYN CORDER had a wonderful trip and was \$20 happy to be back safely from her trip to Greece and Barcelona.



PAM MYERS was \$5 happy that her granddaughter, SAMANTHA, was in the North County section of the San Diego Union Tribune. SAM had written a letter to the Oceanside School Board and was then interviewed for the paper. She doesn't want the clubs at her school to be cut back or cancelled because teachers are working their regular, contracted hours. Teachers volunteer for clubs and tutoring, and SAMANTHA wants the board to give teachers their requested 2% raise for the cost of living.

It was the opinion of the members that CHUCK should hang onto the old gavel he used at the beginning of this meeting, because he the consensus is that he may not be able to keep tabs on his "real" gavel for long. Of course, that was only a rumor buzzing through the crowd, but based on CHUCK's track record, this rumor is likely to become a reality.

The bell was rung a little late to close our meeting, but not late enough to make a big deal about it. Just saying, though!

A Special Veteran's Day Photo and Message

This note comes to us in honor of our veterans from RUDY VAN HUNNICK:

“When I was 14 in 1944, American troops liberated the area in Holland where I was on a farm. They set up a camp with 4,000 soldiers and I was totally in heaven. “Sien”, the fiancée of the 33 year old farmer, was a women’s dress maker and she made this outfit for me as a big surprise, after the American soldiers, and the pin was a new product, honoring the American troops, I had to have it.....!”



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

November 17 – STAN KATZ, Author (“The Emperor and the Spy”)

Reporter: TOM BRAULT

BRING FROZEN TURKEYS TO DONATE TO BROTHER BENNO’S

November 24 – DARK for Thanksgiving

December 1 – Away Meeting at STAR THEATRE for Youth Performance

Pizza, Salad and Cookie lunch for \$20 – *Guests Welcome!*

Reporter: JIM SCHRODER

December 8 – SEASIDE SINGERS, Holiday concert

Reporter: LOLA SHERMAN

December 15 – Away Meeting at Mottino Family YMCA

Four Way Test essay contest and tour of facility

Reporter: DAVE SHORE

December 15 from 6 to 8:30 pm – Oceanside Rotary Club Christmas Party

DAVE and TERRI HALL’s home (4285 Sunnyhill Drive, Carlsbad)

BYOB and Bring main dish or heavy hors d’oeuvres to share

Dessert and non alcoholic beverages provided

Children welcome!

December 22 & 29 – DARK for Christmas and New Year