
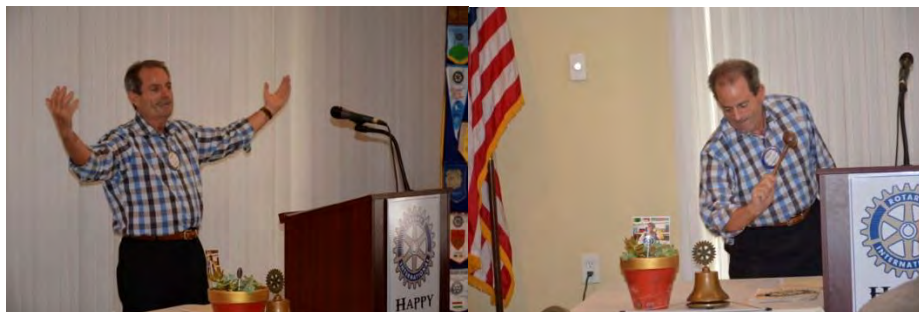
 <p>ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE</p>	<p>ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE</p> <p>SHORELINES</p>			 <p>PRESIDENT Chuck Ward</p>
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November 3, 2017

{MANAGING EDITOR'S NOTE: A hearty "Welcome" and "Thank you" to A.J. MAZZARELLA for giving Shorelines reporting a try for the very first time. I think you will enjoy his efforts!}



President CHUCK WARD tried to start the meeting with a rather lackluster and wimpy ringing of the bell. This did not please the assembled crowd, who cried out, "Not loud enough!" CHUCK immediately redeemed himself with a more mighty, Thor-like swing of his "hammer" onto the bell to officially start the meeting with a more resounding CLANG.

CHUCK welcomed every one of us for making it through another week, "... but it was not just any week... Right LOLA?" Right! This was World Series week, to which CHUCK muttered, "the Astros and Dodgers...those punks."

BOB PICKREL led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by Dr. BILL DERN and his recollection of when Rotary became important to him.





For BILL, it developed over time. After he bought TOM BRAULT's dental practice around 1998, TOM invited BILL to Rotary and BILL embraced the idea of being involved in the community. He confessed to being a "RINO" (Rotarian In Name Only) until VICKIE PROSSER asked him to become her President Elect. Two things really

helped him grow... 1) PETS (President Elect Training) and 2) the international convention. These events opened BILL's eyes to the impact Rotary has, not just worldwide, but in so many local service projects, with people like LARRY HATTER and MIKE CURTIN getting our club involved with supporting our Crown Heights neighborhood.

TOM BRAULT said that he was pleased and honored that CHUCK had asked him to do songs because this was a historic date... On Nov. 3rd, 1534 King Henry the 8th was named head of the Church of England, so naturally we sang... "Henry the 8th" by the Herman's Hermits. In 1956 on this date, the "Wizard of Oz" was shown on TV for the very first time, so we then sang the "real version" - the Judy Garland version (not the Hawaiian ukelele one where they got the words wrong) - of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."



Club Updates:

1. There is a Board of Directors Meeting, Friday November 10th at 11:00am
2. DAVE HALL will once again be taking care of our annual turkey round up for Brother Benno's, collecting frozen turkeys at our meeting on Nov. 17th. DAVE quickly reminded everyone that the frozen turkey better be there by 12:30 or you'll be delivering it yourself!
3. The next week, in honor of Thanksgiving, we will be DARK on Friday Nov. 24th



Visiting Rotarians and Guests:



BILL DERN introduced LAUREN STEPHENSON and BEATRIZ MORALES, both with the Women's Resource Center.



BOB PICKREL introduced two local neighbors from the fire station on the corner of El Camino and Oceanside Blvd...BLAKE DORSE and LINDA MCLAUGHLIN.



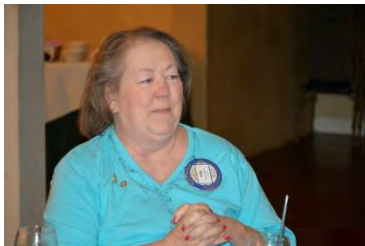
BOB also introduced us to our "perennial visitor" Mr. RUDY VAN HUNNICK. MIKE CURTIN introduced JORDY SPARKS from the Oceanside Unified School District who must like us, because he keeps coming back to check us out.

Messing with our calendars:



And now to October anniversaries...in November? CHUCK made this section into a series of puzzles and guessing games, starting with: “Does anyone know who this is? This is a Rotary anniversary, this is one year for this person...” The one year clue got STEPHANIE YOO to remember that it was she! And she was \$20 happy!

CHUCK’s next hint: “Oh, we have another one - A big one. This young man was a judge...” Well THAT pretty much gave it away, and everyone at once said it must be FRANK COXON who was \$20 happy. FRANK had started Rotary in his own hometown club in Arizona and had worked his way up to incoming president but had to pass on that leadership opportunity because “this judgeship opened up and I had to run for it.” CHUCK quickly asked FRANK if he would like to be President of OUR club? We do have an opening for a President Elect!



“OH MY GOSH,” President CHUCK exclaimed, “There’s another one! ... This young lady joined Rotary, and her husband was in Rotary...” That must be PAM MYERS who was \$30 happy.

Then we moved on to actual November Rotary Anniversaries...”This person has been in for a number of years...” It was LOLA SHERMAN who was celebrating 8 years in Rotary and was \$8 happy!



There were also a couple of birthdays to celebrate: DAVE HALL and MIKE CURTIN. As CHUCK shuffled the prize envelopes, the lingering question about the reality of the alleged 333 restaurant gift certificate that is theoretically up for

grabs each time surfaced again, since so many birthday folks have pulled the card good for two cups of coffee. Well, MIKE CURTIN was a *little bit* luckier than that and pulled the Fratelli's appetizer gift card and was \$56 happy for his birthday. DAVE HALL pulled the coffee gift card, and inexplicably was \$100 happy. His wife TERRI quickly ran up to make sure DAVE was feeling okay. (And we are STILL not 100% sure that the 333 card is actually in the mix!)



Hold the horses - There are a couple people who were not on the list! TERRI HALL's Rotary anniversary is November of 1991 making her \$26 happy! Another one not on the list was JAY CRAWFORD who has been a Rotarian since 1982 and has been with Oceanside Rotary since 1999, making him \$18 happy for 18 years with us! President CHUCK commented that we have some very truthful Rotarians and that he will have a talk with our Secretary about updating our database and, he mused, she will probably be happy to double those contributions.

Getting Into the Christmas Spirit:



Our president then gave some airtime to LAUREN STEPHENSON who is with the Women's Resource Center. LAUREN told a story of a woman who escaped her abuser and was living in her car with her three children when someone told her she needed to go to the WRC. She went through the 30 day shelter program and then moved into the transitional facility two year program. During that time, she got her nursing degree and now lives in Carlsbad with her three children and she is doing amazingly well. This year she is planning to bring gifts to the Center's annual Christmas event, bringing her story full circle - Someone going through the program and then giving back to the program.

The Center's holiday Spirit of Giving event is Saturday, December 9th from 9am to 1pm. They normally serve approximately 110 families which equates to approximately 270 children and approximately 1000 gifts are given away. The children get to pick out a gift for their parents and there are volunteers who wrap it

right there! Most of the time the kids are so excited to be giving their parents a gift that they tell them what it is before they even open it. Each family also receives a \$50 gift card so they can buy Christmas dinner to have at home. Ways people can help are by donating toys, gift cards, nonperishable food items, and baked goods to enjoy on the day of the event.

LAUREN gave a special big thank you to Dr. BILL DERN as well as to our Rotary Club for our support. BILL asked if there are any types of gifts that they have been short on over the years for us to focus on? The answer was teenage gifts and gifts for Dads. CHUCK really liked that idea, because our Board had already talked about having our club concentrate on the parents there as a community service project. He added that allowing children the opportunity to give their parent a gift is sometimes more exciting and important than the gifts the kids themselves receive.

Happy Dollars:



TOM BRAULT told a quick story of how touching it was for him to fill in as Santa Claus at the WRC event one year, to see so much joy and sincere thanks on the children's faces. TOM then went on to give \$34 happy dollars to our club foundation and an explanation as to why his hair is short and beard is so long...It's because, for the second year in a row, he will be playing Kris Kringle in "Miracle on 34th Street" at the Brooks Theatre December 15 – 23, and the director asked him to grow out his facial hair. Ho Ho Ho!

LES NEWQUIST stood up and stated he was \$10 happy because his son-in-law who is an Air Force pilot in Charleston, SC got accepted as a pilot for Delta Airlines.



President CHUCK started introducing our guest speaker



when a faint voice asked if we were done with happy dollars already? It was RUDY! To which CHUCK replied, "We're moving fast, but we'll never leave happy dollars on the floor!" RUDY was \$20 happy for our fire department guest speakers and another \$20 because he won't be able to attend next week's meeting.

Our Program:



On to introducing our next speakers. LINDA MCLAUGHLIN who works as a volunteer with the Oceanside Fire Department educating people on the hazards of fires and staying safe. One of her favorite places to eat is Hunter Steak House and she has little long haired Dachshund named Lexie. Captain

BLAKE DORSE was raised in Oceanside and has been on the OFD force for 11 years after starting to work with the city as a lifeguard. He loves the carne asada tacos from Anita's and he has a couple kitty cats as part of his family.

LINDA started her presentation by thanking Rotary and making note of how much fun we have as a group! In case anyone didn't know, our lifeguards are part of the fire department - they are all one big happy family at OFD. Oceanside Fire Department receives approximately 21,000 calls per year with 180,000 people living in Oceanside and this number is rapidly growing. LINDA then introduced her little friend, known to most as a smoke detector. The lifespan of most smoke detectors is just 10 years. Once your smoke detector hits its 10th birthday, it will usually make a little noise so please, don't just take it down ... Make sure you replace it! One program the Fire Department offers is to go into a home and replace smoke detectors and bring the home up to code. They perform this service for approximately 20 homes a month. You should have a smoke detector in every bedroom, and anywhere anyone might fall asleep, including your living room!

Next up was Captain BLAKE DORSE who said he would be \$5000 happy but unfortunately didn't bring that much money with him, so he laid a \$20 bill on the podium as Happy Dollars, but not before resident heckler TOM BRAULT quickly mentioned that we do take I.O.U's. BLAKE went on to talk about what it takes to



become a firefighter nowadays. It takes extensive training to become a firefighter - Almost the same amount of time that it takes to get a 4 year college degree. There is a program called Fire Explorers that the Boy Scouts started which allows for an early connection for kids who have an interest in fire service.

Some Oceanside statistics and demographics...

- 14% of the population is below the poverty line.
- 25% of the population is below the age of 18.
- 17% are growing up in a single family home.

He married these demographics with his experience with local youth attempting to get the Oceanside Fire Explorer program off the ground. It's a mentorship program offering the kids not just potential career opportunities down the road in fire service, but also it provides insights into citizenship, character development, life skills and leadership. The program is relatively new and they take high school aged kids. They hold a "drill night" every Tuesday night and a mini academy every other Saturday. The mission of the program is to engage, educate and empower Oceanside's youth through positive mentorship towards a career in fire service. There are currently 10 youths in the program with four more coming onboard very soon. They would like to grow it to a total of 25 by next year. The whole goal of the program is NOT to be a summer camp where you write a check and send your kids. They believe that the program should be free to the youth. There are ongoing costs that the city can't accommodate, so any donations are always welcome.

The target age group for Fire Explorers is high schoolers and if the youths stick with the program, they can often end up with a paying job in the fire services by the time they turn 20 or 21. The question was brought up asking if other programs exist which follow this model and whether those programs have seen the youths complete it all the way through and get jobs down the line. The answer is yes: Fallbrook has been doing it since the 1970's and Carlsbad has been doing it for the last 5 years and they each of those programs has seen a very positive turnout of kids progressing into the fire services.



CHUCK thanked BLAKE and LINDA for their knowledge, expertise, and humbleness, stating that we've all grown in knowledge today as a club, thanks to our presenters. CHUCK informed them that we have made a donation to TERI Inc. on their behalf and he presented them with a beautiful hand painted beautiful pot which our very own ANCHISA MARBEN had filled with beautiful succulents from her garden. CHUCK suggested that the pot could be shared between the two of them, and BLAKE wisely said that "LINDA can keep it for the months when it needs to be watered!"



Opportunity Time:



DAVE NYDEGGER and TOM BRAULT had the lucky tickets and won the chance to go head to head in an all-out "high card wins" draw for the chance to find the Joker worth \$500. TOM's Jack won as high card, but unfortunately he picked a low card out of the deck (the 9 of spades) instead of the Joker, and pocketed just the \$10 consolation prize.

President CHUCK sent us off by reminding us of just what a great club we have, and wishing everyone a great weekend!

Rotarians Out and About:

This week, our Out and About comes from VICKIE PROSSER, who sent in two pictures from two different events last weekend for publication.



“The first one is LLOYD and I with SANDY & JOHN TODD at the Marine Corps Birthday Ball on November 3, 2017. DAVE NYDEGGER was also there with MARTA HALL, but she kept him out on the dance floor, so I missed getting them in a picture . . .



“The second one is me photo bombing the OFA firefighters in their booth at the Fall Faire & Chili Cookoff on November 4 at Heritage Park.”

COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

November 10 – Oceanside Humane Society

Reporter: PAM MYERS

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

Reporter: JANET BLEDSOE LACY

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