
 BE THE INSPIRATION 2018-2019	ROTARY CLUB OF OCEANSIDE SHORELINES			 PRESIDENT Renee Wendee
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November 30, 2018



Our Rotary Club meeting started on time, of course, with the mighty chime of the gong. President and President-elect, RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE, welcomed everyone and asked LES NEWQUIST to start with the Pledge of Allegiance. DAVE HALL was kind enough to let us sing a couple of songs--The Flintstones and You're a Grand Old Flag. I wasn't sure about the first song, but I am very happy that he provided us the words. (I was curious as to why TOM BRAULT started to remove his shoes, but then realized he was just pretending to be Fred Flintstone) PAUL WENDEE gave our Inspirational Moment. He spoke about a quote from Peter Marshall, a pastor (not the game show host) "Small deeds done, are better than large deeds with good intentions, that are not done." Focus on the small deeds and get those completed.

Our president, RENEE, then mumbled something about giving the podium to a professor. I think that she may have been hinting that he likes to talk. Just saying.

TERRI HALL then reminded us of the SEASIDE SINGERS, which will be our program next week. Guests are welcome. Just let BILL DERN know if you are bringing extra folks so we can have a good guesstimate head count for the meal.

Red Kettle Bell Ringing is coming up and the sign-up sheet was sent around. Please let PRESIDENT RENEE know what time you can help and which location—Stater Brothers or WalMart. It should be fun and after the ringing, we are planning a party which may coincide with the First Friday Art Walk. Thank you in advance for your help on this. The money which we receive from 2 to 6 pm on Friday December 7 will be donated in Rotary's name to the Salvation Army. RENEE mentioned that maybe we could have a little competition with a Carlsbad Rotary Club next year.

Our Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 16 at 4pm at the Rancho Carlsbad community's club house (*5200 El Camino Real, Carlsbad*). The cost will be \$10 and we should bring a dish to share and BYOB. We will be DARK the Friday before.

We introduced GUESTS.



JIM SCHRODER introduced our weekly guest, RUDY VAN HUNNICK



JAY CRAWFORD introduced our fellow Rotarians from Carlsbad, GRIFF LEWIS and WENDY WIEGARD. They are president-elects for their respective clubs and will be attending the PETS training with RENEE.



DAVID NYDEGGER introduced RICK ROBINSON, who was our speaker.

DAVE HALL then helped us with our Welcome Song.

PRESIDENT RENEE informed us that CAPTAIN RON MARBEN had his first SAIL AWAY trip. ERNIE MASCITTI's niece went on the trip, but she got a little seasick. (Not everyone has their sea legs the first time out.)

Our Rotary Evening Social Event on January 11th will be at LYN and AL CORDER's home. At this event, we will be drawing the winner for the raffle for a SAIL AWAY cruise for two with CAPTAIN RON. The raffle tickets will be selling in the weeks leading up to the social - 3 tickets for \$5.00, half-arm length for \$10.00, or full-arm length for \$20.00. Find someone with long arms and your chances of winning a voyage goes up dramatically. You might be able to sample one of RENEE's wonderful Wine and Cheese Trays and it will be a fun time!



\$\$\$\$ HAPPY DOLLARS \$\$\$\$



TERRI HALL was \$10 happy to have tried her best to do her civic duty by reporting to jury duty, but was rejected, or I should say, dismissed.



RON MARBEN was \$5 happy to be getting ANCHISA back soon from her trip to Thailand.



JAY CRAWFORD was \$5 happy because he and ANITA were a part of a group from his neighborhood who walked at the TURKEY TROT on Thanksgiving. He did mention something about dropping by mid-race for a refreshment break at Petite Madeline's.



VICKIE PROSSER was \$5 happy that her niece is about to have a baby.
{*Breaking News Update received from VICKIE on Monday: "My niece had*

her baby at 6:06 pm last Friday and was 7 lbs 5 oz, 20 " long! Mother and baby boy are doing fine! That's the latest and greatest from me!}



TOM BRAULT was \$50 happy to the R.I. Foundation to have one of his lovely daughters get married to BILL DERN's son, and to have taken a wonderful trip with his wife to the east coast, where the ocean is on the wrong side and where they enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner at a tavern in historic Colonial Williamsburg. He was also selected to play several parts in the Oceanside Theatre Company's production of "A Christmas Carol" coming to the Brooks Theatre December 14-23. Congratulations for all of your happiness.



JANET BLEDSOE LACY was \$5 happy for the holidays, a Lawyers Club office party, and the fact that she is having relatives out here from Texas. She also wanted to shout out for the upcoming nominations for the City of Oceanside 2019 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award. That was a lot of happy for \$5.



RUDY VAN HUNNICK was \$20 happy for always being happy. He was also another \$20 happy because of the Fire Chief being here and for all of the AED's which he is proud to have helped put into Oceanside city

facilities and police cars. (He told the tale of how this AED connection helped him get out of a speeding ticket once.)



BILL DERN was \$5 happy to have been a part of the Salvation Army's Thanksgiving Day feast. BRIAN ORR and BRENDA were very grateful to have so much help with the clean-up after feeding over 250 people. PRESIDENT RENEE gave many positive comments about the day, and that she was glad that Rotary could be a part of the experience.

Here is a photo showing some of the Rotarians who so selflessly spent some time as holiday volunteers, serving and/or cleaning up at the Salvation Army's Thanksgiving dinner. Many thanks to PAUL and RENEE WENDEE, JIM SCHRODER, BILL and KATHY DERN, and ERNIE MASCITTI for representing our club in this effort!





DAVID NYDEGGER introduced our speaker for the day, Fire Chief RICK ROBINSON. RICK was very happy to speak with us. Apparently his wife asked him before he came if he had a speech ready to go. He told her that he didn't really have one prepared because he felt that he was speaking with friends and enjoyed speaking with us. We were glad to have him with us as well.. He let us know that he knew about the Turkey Trot, remembered the Flintstone's song, and has had Jury Duty himself previously.

He had been asked about the black band on his badge—It was to remember the dispatcher who died last week in a car accident. RICK mentioned about the 7.0 magnitude earthquake in Alaska, which had just happened the morning of our meeting. Many of us had not heard of it yet.

He gave us some background about the fire stations in our beloved town. Oceanside has 8 stations in the Fire Department with 35 fire fighters on duty at any one time. RICK explained the difference between truck and engine companies. Trucks have the big ladders used in evacuations, and the engine companies are smaller vehicles.



Life Guards are a part of the Fire Department also with 7 permanent and 85 part-time personnel. The part-time lifeguards must be at least 16 years of age, and many of them are teachers in the summer.

The number of calls the Department responds to per year is approximately 20,000, of which 80% to 85% are accidents, gas leaks, use of the AED's, and even getting cats out of trees.

The fires up north were aided by the Strike Team Zones, which sent part of their employees to help. The green trucks (along with staff from Vista, Carlsbad, Fallbrook, Oceanside, and Camp Pendleton) aided with the mudslides, fires, and the planning of where the personnel need to be. The Lilac Fire had half of our stations helping, along with other local cities.

JANET BLEDSOE LACY asked about the kinds of fires we have now. They seem to be getting bigger over time. RICK said that controlled burns are not happening like years ago and therefore the underbrush is very thick, and of course the 50-60 mph winds make it difficult to stay ahead of the fires.

PAUL WENDEE asked about the location of the Emergency Operation Centers. The City has its own emergency center and there is a larger regional center in Kearny Mesa.

ERNIE MASCITTI asked about the Fire Explorers program designed for young men and women ages 14-20, who are interested in a future career in the fire service., and which ERNIE thought might be helpful to some of the kids in the Crown Heights area. Unfortunately, RICK told us, there are no scholarships available for this program at this time, so the fees to participate would have to be covered by the students and parents.

PAUL WENDEE asked about the possibility of a tsunami after the earthquake in Alaska and what we need to do in case one happens here. RICK said that there are evacuation plans, but that a good rule of thumb is “If your feet get wet, go to a higher elevation.” Such sage advice!

RICK concluded his speech by telling us that some of the best things to know to enhance your safety include: CPR, 211, how to use an AED, pulse-point on the phone, emergency drills with the family, changing batteries in smoke alarms one time a year (October), clear out dry vegetation from around your home, keep flames and heat away from your Christmas trees, etc.



PRESIDENT RENEE thanked Fire Chief RICK for the interesting and educational presentation today. She also let him sign a book to be donated to one of our local school libraries, which he was more than happy to do.



RENEE also thanked everyone who brought an unwrapped toy for the TOYS FOR TOTS drive. They pretty much filled up the back of LES NEWQUIST's car as he prepared to transport them to Weseloh Chevrolet to add to the collected toy donations there.



The Opportunity Drawing only had 17 cards left and JAY CRAWFORD got to draw a card. He drew a queen, which he said "should be good for something!" ... Oh, it was. JAY received congratulations and a \$10 consolation prize.

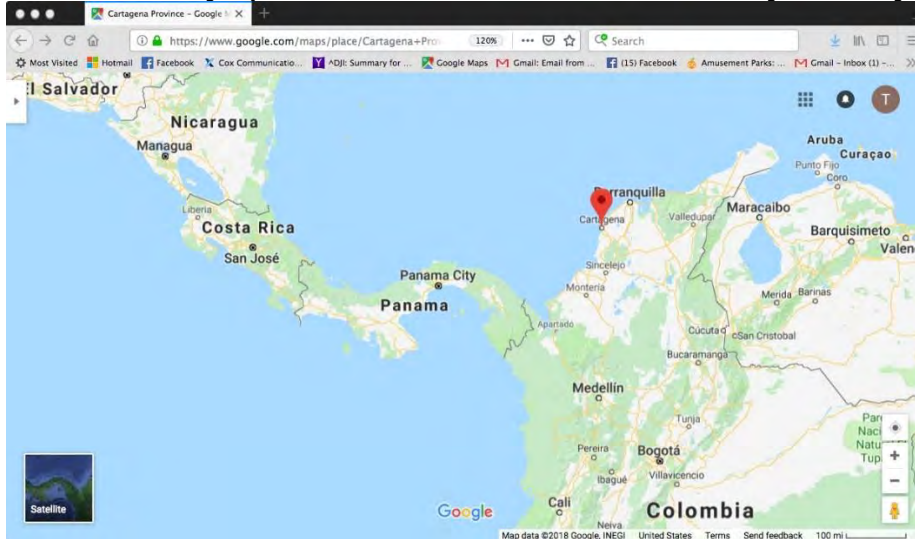
The meeting was then adjourned.

DO YOU WANT TO CELEBRATE SUSAN ASATO'S RETIREMENT?

Yes, you heard that right. After a long and successful career at MiraCosta College, our friend, fellow member, and Past President SUSAN ASATO is moving on to the life of retired folk. A party celebrating this transition will be held on Friday January 18 from 4 to 7 pm. If you would like to receive an invitation from the MiraCosta College Foundation to attend this celebration, please let TOM BRAULT know ASAP by sending him an email at tombrault@hotmail.com.

ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

NANCY RUSSIAN and her husband LUIS are on another amazing trip. This time they transited the Panama Canal on November 26th and sent along photos of being in the old town of Cartagena Colombia, as well as a Rotary donation box that they spotted at the cruise terminal. Rotary is everywhere!





And JIM SCHRODER provided this picture of the “Crown Heights/ Lincoln Middle School Group that JAY, ANITA and myself took to MiraCosta College, a tour of the campus with two College Student Ambassadors, a Dance program at the new Dance Center at MiraCosta and then dinner at the Jolly Roger. An enjoyable day for all of us. Great group of young students.”



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Dec 7: Election of Officers and Board of Directors

SEASIDE SINGERS, Christmas songs

Reporter: VICKIE PROSSER

Dec 14: DARK for Christmas Party on December 16

Dec 16: ROTARY CHRISTMAS PARTY

At Rancho Carlsbad club house

(5200 El Camino Real, Carlsbad – Security at the gate will direct you to the club house location on Don Juan Drive)

4 pm to ???

Potluck and Bring Your Own Adult Beverage. \$10 fee.

Dec 21: DARK for Christmas

Dec 28: DARK for New Year's

Jan 4: Speaker TBA

Reporter: JIM SCHRODER

Jan 11: Noon meeting **DARK for Evening Social at LYN and AL CORDER'S Home**

Jan 18: CLINTON YOUNG, Reigniting Your Human Spirit

Reporter: LOLA SHERMAN

Jan 25: JOHNNY WATSON – Mobilizing Rotary Microcredit

Reporter: SUSAN BROWN