

October 26, 2018



Promptly on time, Pres RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE rang our club bell with a gavel that did not look like the authentic "Rotary President's Gavel" our Presidents use (Is our fearless President afraid someone might steal the real gavel?) as she welcomed everyone to Oceanside Rotary.... "The Place to Be!" Demonstrating she can do it all and with minimal

preparation time, Pres. RENEE herself led us in our "Pledge of Allegiance".

Pres. RENEE then invited our Songmeister de jour, PP BILL DERN to lead us in song. BILL noted the World Series is in progress and that means that professional baseball will end shortly for the 2018 season. He pointed out that come March or April, our fellow Padre fans can once again dream of the possibility of being in the World Series, with that



excitement lasting usually until just May or June before our season is effectively over. BILL instructed our fellow Rotarians to root for either the Red Sox or the Dodgers when we got to the appropriate part of the song. True to form, our obedient Rotarians sang out loud and strong for their favorite team...some for the Dodgers ...



some Red Sox and some Padres. (Guess those diehard fans were thinking of October 2019 or '20 or '21 or ???). After rooting for our favorite baseball team, BILL invited another songmeister, PP JAY CRAWFORD, to lead us in our second song. Always creative, JAY said he had a hard time sleeping last night due to howling coyotes and hooting owls, so he got out of bed and wrote this

song, "Halloween" - sung to the melody "Edelweiss."

"Halloween... Halloween, Now, you're starting to scare us. Spider webs... Quicksand beds Waiting there to ensnare us. Black Alley cats and those vampire bats coming by so closely. Use your head.... Stay under the bed Hiding from Bela Lugosi."



Nicely done, JAY.



Coming to the podium next was PAM MYERS offering a Rotary Moment. PAM shared that her inspirational person for Rotary was her father who will turn 90 in March and has been active in Rotary since 1966. He joined Rotary to meet people and because it was active in the community. He traveled with Rotary to Honduras to work on a project building a school.

Besides running a business, he was active in the community serving on the City Council for many years. A Democrat in a 90+% Republican community, leaders from both local parties asked him to run for the office. They liked his fairness and made certain he was elected. He served on numerous boards and committees throughout his life, including a hospital foundation board, and worked with the Salvation Army for 30 years. One year he arranged for 40 bell ringers to help bring in donations at Christmas. In 1994 he was the named Volunteer of the Year for the entire state of Indiana. A man that lived his life everyday by the motto, "Service above Self".

CLUB UPDATES

November Programs Friday, November 2 - Kristi Hawthorne, Oceanside/Oceanside Pier Friday, November 9 – John Stryker Meyer, Veterans Day Program Friday, November 16 – Jeremy Cohen, SD Malkin Hotel Project ...Bring a frozen turkey for Brother Benno's Friday, November 23 – Dark for Thanksgiving Friday, November 30 – Rick Robinson, Oceanside Fire Chief ... Bring an unwrapped gift for Toys for Tots

OTHER NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

Saturday, November 3 – The Rotary Club of Carlsbad presents "Fall Flair... A Musical Journey of Discovery" located at the Carlsbad City Library off of Dove Lane. This evening starts with Cocktails and a Silent Auction from 6-7 pm...A piano Concert by Carlsbad Rotarian and concert hall pianist VIOLETA PETROVA from 7-8 pm... Followed by a Reception. Early bird tickets are available before 10/28 for \$35 or Preferred Seating for \$45.

Friday, November 9 – El Camino High School is looking for Vietnam Veterans to come to El Camino High School for a presentation starting at 9 am.

SUPERSTAR IN A SLING



Pres RENEE invited VIRGIL FLORES to the podium and identified him as a Superstar New Rotarian for all the work he provided for our successful Flea Market fundraiser earlier in the month at which we brought in over \$1000 to help fund our Community Service committee projects. Well done, VIRGIL. Wear your Superstar ribbon with pride!

RENEE MUST HAVE HAD A CRAVING

Pres RENEE again reminded us, in support of Thanksgiving at Brother Benno's, to bring frozen pizzas to our meeting on November 16. (PIZZAS??? Maybe it's RENEE's subconscious self-craving for a pizza instead of a VEGAN lunch!!) Always vigilant, our fellow Rotarians were quick to point out our President's slip, so Pres RENEE quickly corrected it to frozen turkeys. Those turkeys must be at the meeting by 12:30 so they can be picked up. If you cannot bring a turkey, then a grocery gift card will work, too. (A special thank you to PAM MYERS for providing the hand drawn reminder flyers on the tables! So Cute!!)



Pres RENEE was looking for Rotarians to support the Crown Heights field trip to MiraCosta College on Saturday, December 1. The event includes a concert, a tour of the campus, and dinner with the 8-10 youths. Please sign up and be certain you have your Rotary Youth Protection approved.

LATEST CROWN HEIGHTS EVENT

Another very successful Crown Heights mentor event took place on Friday, October 25. According to first-hand reports, possibly one of the best events yet!

Club representatives RON MARBEN and ERNIE MASCITTI (along with our liaison to the school DEIDRE COLBURN) accompanied 11 of our young citizens from Crown Heights to a visit to MiraCosta College. The day started with a campus tour to showcase the educational opportunities available right here in Oceanside, followed by enjoying a soccer game. After the game, the kids got to meet the team on the field. And to wrap up the day, a fine meal was shared at the Oceanside Broiler restaurant at the Harbor. Thanks to RON and ERNIE for stepping up to guide these students and allow them to chance to learn more about our excellent local community college.







VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS



Pres RENEE pointed out we had one visitor today, and introduced a frequent guest, RUDY VAN HUNNICK. PP BILL led us in our "Welcome Song".

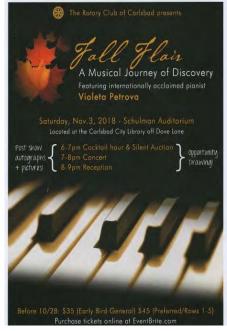
HAPPY DOLLARS



PP VICKIE PROSSER was \$5 happy to invite members to participate in the "Shop for a Cause" fundraiser for Volunteers in Medicine on Sunday, November 18 from 11 AM to 2 PM at Chapter One Hair and Body Lab, 1319 S. Coast Hwy, Oceanside.



PP TERRI HALL was also \$5 happy to again plug Carlsbad Rotary's Fall Flair fundraiser. Rotarian VIOLETA PETROVA (who also has served as the accompanist of TERRI and DAVE's choir) is a renowned concert pianist, playing before crowds in Europe and the United States. It should be a fantastic night of music and a worthwhile fundraiser for a sister club.





NANCY RUSSIAN was \$50 happy to be back from her extended touring vacation and especially happy to be sleeping in her own bed instead of the RV's. In addition, she is happy that tomorrow is her husband's birthday.



RUDY VAN HUNNICK, warning us that this was not going to be a brief "happy dollars" this time around, was \$40 happy to the club to be able to attend today's presentation from our own Rotary professor. RUDY was also sad that he missed last week's Salvation Army presentation and the delicious ribs that he heard so much about. He donated another \$50 to the Salvation Army to add to the sizeable donation from JANET BLEDSOE LACY last week.



VIRGIL FLORES was \$20 happy his surgery went well, and that RENEE was so pleased with the results of the Flea Market.



With tongue in cheek, DAVE NYDEGGER complimented the fantastic job November's program chair did, arranging for so many exciting speakers next month. (Of course, that program chair was non-other than DAVE himself). After reviewing the lineup of programs as noted above, it does sound like a great month to attend. DAVE was \$2 happy to toot his own program chair horn.

PROGRAM



President RENEE introduced our speaker, new Rotarian (and semi-new husband) PAUL WENDEE. "PAUL is editor and publisher of the 'Intrinsic Value Wealth Report', an investment newsletter. He is also the Managing Director of Paul Wendee and Associates, a corporate finance, private equity and management consulting firm. PAUL earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and Administrative Studies and his Master of Administration in Business degree in

Finance and Marketing from the University of California, Riverside. Paul earned his Doctor of Business Administration degree from the University of Phoenix. PAUL is also an Adjunct Faculty Professor at California Baptist University and Cal State Los Angeles. When he is not on the road speaking at various workshops and conferences, he makes his home in Vista with his remarkably gifted wife!!! Ladies and gentlemen, I am pleased to introduce to you not only my childhood sweetheart but also my very own Nutty Professor!!"

As with all programs, Rotarians need to be present to really appreciate and enjoy the presentation. PAUL's topic was "Strategic Foresight." Forecasting the future is not what you think, it is not a crystal ball. It is a combination of science, art, and experience. PAUL traced historical landmarks in forecasting from the Oracle of Delphi in 1400 BC to the RAND Corp (1948), a Research and Development think tank to development of the Delphi Method (by Olaf Helmer) and then the Institute for the Future to Amy Webb and the Future Today Institute.

Strategic forecasting tries to predict which developments (that may be visible today, on the fringe of our awareness) will become established as our future trends. PAUL reviewed one method of forecasting which polls a group of individuals both inside and outside the organization with expertise and knowledge in the area requiring decision making. To formulate their collective prediction, the panel members all answer specific subject area questions and forward their answers individually and anonymously to the panel director. The director controls the interactions among the participants by processing the information and filtering out irrelevant content, thereby focusing the group's thoughts. The result of the preliminary input is sent to the participants who can then comment on the other

responses and use the group input to revise or fine tune their own forecasts and opinions. Over time, a consensus is reached and trends may be identified.



PAUL also reviewed a few other methods of forecasting including Amy Webb and her Future Today Institute along with her book "The Signals Are Talking" and then closed his program by answering a few questions. Thanks, Professor PAUL for this thought-provoking presentation. As a thank you, PAUL selected a book to be donated to a local Oceanside school library.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING



PAM MYERS held the lucky ticket but could only draw a 2 of clubs, missing out on the \$800.

As our Madam President was about to close our meeting, her ever vigilant Songmeister de jour reminded her we still needed to sing Happy Birthday to a special someone. (I really think she was trying to skip that). So, at the prodding of the Songmeister, we sang Happy Birthday to our speaker, PAUL WENDEE. When our President was reminded that there usually is a fee for our wonderful singing, she stated we would skip that fine this time, since she would probably end up having to pay it anyway.

Ringing our club bell with her non-official gavel, Pres RENEE brought our meeting to a close.

ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

You may recall that at our previous meeting, TOM BRAULT shamelessly plugged a dinner theatre cabaret in which he would be participating, singing Disney Villain songs by the Lion King's Scar and Peter Pan's Captain Hook. Here is photographic evidence that this performance actually happened. Both performances were pretty close to sold out and were well received. TOM got a great review from one of the kids in the first audience who told her mom, "That guy was scary!!!"





COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Nov 2: KRISTI HAWTHORNE, Oceanside History and Pier History Reporter: JANET BLEDSOE LACY

Nov 9: J. STRYKER MEYER, Veteran's Day Program - Speaker TBA Reporter: DAVE HALL

Nov 16: JEREMY COHEN, S.D. Malkin Hotel Project *** BRING FROZEN TURKEYS FOR BROTHER BENNO'S *** Reporter: A.J. MAZZARELLA

Nov 23: DARK for Thanksgiving weekend

Nov 30: RICK ROBINSON, Oceanside Fire Chief Reporter: PAM MYERS

Dec 7: SEASIDE SINGERS, Christmas songs Reporter: VICKIE PROSSER

Dec 14: DARK for Christmas Party on December 16

Dec 16: ROTARY CHRISTMAS PARTY At Rancho Carlsbad Mobile Home Park Clubhouse, 4 pm to ???

Dec 21: DARK for Christmas

Dec 28: DARK for New Year's