



**ROTARY CLUB OF
OCEANSIDE**

SHORELINES

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Word on the street is that Oceanside Rotary is now a travel club. PRESIDENT SHOR DENNY returned from her travels to Cancun with new seven-day hair extensions, which the club apparently deemed too tight as she seemed to have difficulty with members' names. ("Brian?" ... "Brad?" ... Whatever! ... Potato, Potahto.) But Shor wasn't the only recent Rotary traveler. THOMASINA JACKSON had phoned your reporter earlier in the week to reconfirm the meeting but in passing made mention that she would not be present as she was going cruising. TOM BRAULT was back from an extended stay in Hobbiton, in the region of the Shire. JIM SCHRODER was either coming or going from/to Tunisia and Algeria (your reporter can never keep up). MIKE WESELOH took time out from his travels to attend a club meeting, and who knows where NANCY RUSSIAN is.

Notwithstanding rumors to the contrary, your reporter also lives a life of travel and excitement. Having just returned from a trip to Bonsall, your reporter is tanned, rested, and ready and reporting for duty for this week's Shorelines. (Has DARREL LARSON been to Bonsall?).



PRESIDENT SHOR DENNY called to order those in between travels and in attendance.



The Pledge was led by BRAD FISHER.

Leading us in reading the Four Way Test was TERRI HALL. True to the test, Terri made sure that the president was well aware that this was the third time that she had been called on to recite the test. This reminded your reporter why he always sat in the last row in law school.

CLUB UPDATES:

- Friday and Saturday November 3rd and 4th – another volunteer opportunity, helping Spectrum Sports Management with their “Bike the Coast” event. (Learn more at: <https://www.bikethecoastsd.com/volunteers>) If we get enough participating volunteers, this could be a fundraiser for our club.
- Nov. 10 – Veterans Day program. Our own BOB PICKREL will be the speaker. And Saturday, Nov. 11, we have been invited to a patriotic program at Army and Navy Academy in Carlsbad.
- Nov. 17 – a board meeting on Zoom at noon.
- Dec. 8 – holiday party at the Hall’s. Cost is \$35, and it WILL include dessert on top of a fine meal of Mexican munchies.
- Dec. 9 - a fund-raising opportunity to help with the Boat Ride with Santa from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Some Rotarians will sing Christmas carols “to make it more festive.”

PRESIDENT’S STUFF:



Two presidential service pins were awarded. BRAD FISHER received a pin for his service as Sgt. at Arms.



MIKE CURTIN received a pin because of the work he does on a weekly basis, arriving early and making sure that everything is ready for the club meeting and staying late to put our stuff back into storage.

RENEE RICHARDSON was not in attendance because of Covid. Somehow, it appeared that she still ran the meeting, though.

BILL DERN just had placement of a pacemaker and was not in attendance. It was reported that he was a bit sore, but otherwise feeling well.

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS:

ANNE SPERAW (VICKIE PROSSER made sure that we knew ANNE was in attendance, because we can't always count on ED PARISH doing the honors.)



RUDY VAN HUNNICK

CARLY STARR BURLLO NILES, our speaker

HAPPY DOLLARS:

JIM SCHRODER \$75. \$15 for Polio Plus, plus some more dollars for being home from his trip to Algeria and Tunisia. (See "Rotarians Out and About" at the end of this newsletter.) Jim mentioned sleeping outside in the Sahara Desert and the visibility of the stars.



TOM BRAULT \$5. Updated us on the show coming next to Carlsbad Playreaders. To lighten the mood, given the current world state of affairs, they have pivoted away from the political drama "All the Way" and instead will be reading Oscar Wilde's classic comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" on Monday, November 6 at 7:30 pm at Carlsbad's Dove Library.



ED PARISH \$5 to actually introduce ANNE SPERAW.

ANNE SPERAW \$5, thanking VICKIE for her preemptive introduction earlier.

DAVE HALL \$5 announcing that our club's matching grant project will be featured at our district's upcoming grant seminar, and Dave himself will be the presenter. (Does that mean that we are doing something right??)



TERRI HALL \$5 for not having to attend that grant presentation.



RUDY VAN HUNNICK \$50 appreciating our speaker from KOCT.



DAVID NYGEGGER \$5 for his birthday. David provided the square of his age for anyone wishing the figure it out. (Your reporter tried and came up with 39, but some math whiz in the back of the room actually came up with the right number.)



BRAD FISHER \$5 for what is often referred to as “the second happiest day of a man’s life” - the purchase of a boat.



MIKE WESELOH has enjoyed the chance to travel more, ever since he got out of the car biz. He recently took a trip to several of the national parks in Utah and found them to be spectacularly beautiful, encouraging us to go there to see them for ourselves.



VICKIE PROSSER \$20 for her pending trip to Boise for the umpteenth time. (By now, she probably qualifies as an “Honorary Citizen” there.)

PROGRAM:

JANET BLEDSOE LACY introduced our featured speaker, CARLY STARR BRULLO NILES, executive director of KOCT, who took over from TOM REESER when he retired back in 2018.



Here is the impressive introduction given for CARLY STARR BRULLO NILES -- a three decade long award-winning filmmaker, the Executive Director of KOCT Television and the Co-Programmer and Creative Director of The Oceanside International Film Festival. After years of working in Hollywood on major motion pictures, independent features and network TV, Carly returned to Oceanside, California where she

began her career in public access television at KOCT.org. Wanting to make a difference in the world, Carly Starr founded Love Machine Films in 2004 and has been responsible for the branding, writing and directing of hundreds

of campaigns and projects for mainstream and nonprofit organizations. Her works have been broadcast all over the world and she has helped raised millions of dollars for various national and international causes like the American Cancer Society, the Humane Society, the MS Society, Habitat for Humanity, Karl Strauss and countless others. As a true believer in positive change and the voice of the next generation storyteller, Carly returned back to KOCT Television to bring leadership and real-life film experience back to our creative community, so that together we can be prophets of change and navigate successfully in the complex world of media.

CARLY STARR BRULLO NILES:

KOCT - Voice of North County is celebrating over 35 years of community television service in the City of Oceanside. Oceanside Community Television (KOCT) is a non-profit Corporation that provides public, educational and government (PEG) access programming and services on Cox Communications Channels 18 and 19, as well as on AT&T U-Verse. KOCT also hosts a website (koct.org) where both channels are available via live streaming video as well as many programs which are available as VOD (Video On Demand).

KOCT provides live coverage and replays of all city council meetings, produces and airs documentaries, News Briefs, election programs, talk shows and a variety of other community programs. KOCT also provides a Community Calendar bulletin board so that government and local non-profit agencies can publicize their events. In general, Channel 18 is the Community station, while Channel 19 focuses more on Government.

Providing the North County community greater access to KOCT programming, the station offers two live streaming channels that are available on the Internet, as well as on cable channels 18 and 19. Even as viewing habits are changing and alternatives to cable TV continue to emerge, these options provide access to KOCT to all citizens everywhere, even if they are not cable subscribers.

Carly's associated production company also allows for the coverage of events throughout Oceanside. These include the Martin Luther King, Jr. annual scholarship fundraiser, farmers market, and filmmaking that also provides training for college students, many of whom eventually work in Hollywood. Grants from the County have allowed for the production of a

storytelling program and Journalist Roundtable continues as a premier program in North County.

As viewing habits change and with increased competition from other venues, fundraising is a challenge that is continually addressed by KOCT. With the help of grants and a variety of funding sources, KOCT continues to operate with the latest equipment and technology.

As always, we had a photo opp as President SHOR informed our guest that a book will be donated to the Library in her honor.



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING:



Oceanside Rotary’s favorite joker and guitar player, JAY CRAWFORD, had the lucky ticket number, stepped forward, drew the joker, and walked away with more cash than your reporter has seen since his divorce. Congratulations!! (By the way Jay, if you need a best friend...)



ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

First up, a short, but sweet note from NANCY RUSSIAN, responding to our Reporter’s comment - “Who knows where NANCY RUSSIAN is?”

“No Rotary for Nancy on October 27! Not on Luis’s 71st birthday! Instead, his birthday wish was to be in his “coach” glamping. Happy birthday Luis (in his new cowboy hat)”



Next, check out these action photos of our adventurous President SHOR DENNY living on the edge during her recent trip. As SHOR put it: "We had a blast!" This looks like one of those "I need a vacation to recover from my vacation" situations!



This is a picture of a Wedding Pumpkin that JANET commissioned ANCHISA to make as a center piece of her kitchen table for a young couple who were getting married at her home on October 21st, and who had a fall theme for their wedding. It was a great accent for JANET's table, and it will last through Thanksgiving.



Next up, to wrap up this week's Shorelines, the eagerly anticipated first installment of photos with captions sent in by our legendary traveler JIM SCHRODER. (Don't you love being able to experience the world vicariously through Jim's photo diaries? ... Saves us all a lot of money on airfare!!) **SCHRODER TAKES YOU TO ALGERIA:**

- 01 - Friendship made while having lunch in a private home in Algiers
- 02 - Old city of Algiers
- 03 - Medina.. Old walled city and the Souk... the Market
- 04 - Locals out to the Souk shopping daily. Mosque in the background
- 05 - Djemila - some of the best Roman Ruins preserved. Algeria and Tunisia have a number of well-preserved Roman Ruins from the 1st to the 3rd Centuries.
- 06 - Gold is for the brides and to be worn on the wedding day. The Koran says that men cannot wear gold, I was told. It makes them feminine. (*Managing Editor's Note: "Tell that to Mr. T!!"*)
- 07 - Constantine is built on a number of high gorges and rocky heights. There are a number of bridges in the city that span these gorges. I believe it was 8.
- 08 - We walked across the bridge to have lunch in the brown two-story structure to the right of the bridge.
- 09 - Younger Algerians like having their photo taken. This photo was taken in the Souk, the market. I always show them their photos. They smile.
- 10 - 3rd Century Archaeological site of Tiddas - a Roman town outside of Constantine
- 11 - Mosque Emir Abdelkader
- 12 - Prayer Hall holds 10,000 men at a time. Women have a separate area to meet and pray. Five times a day they are called to prayer - 4:21 a.m. Dawn, Noon, Mid-afternoon, Sunset and Evening.



Still to come, in a future edition of Shorelines: TUNISIA TIME

COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

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Friday, November 10th – Regular meeting - El Camino Country Club –
Speaker BOB PICKREL, Veterans’ program`

Friday, December 8th – Annual Holiday Party at the home of TERRI and
DAVE HALL

Saturday, December 9th – Boat Rides with Santa – Volunteer for this club
fundraising opportunity

DON'T FORGET to contact ANCHISA FARRANT at 760-525-3774 to order your decorated holiday pumpkins. Prices, based on size, range from \$20 to \$30 to \$40.