



**ROTARY CLUB OF
OCEANSIDE**

SHORELINES

BE THE INSPIRATION

2018-2019

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With the customary ringing of Oceanside's Rotary Bell and straying from recent tradition this Rotary year, PP/PP/Pres/Sec'y RENEЕ RICHARDSON-WENDEE actually started our meeting herself and welcomed everyone to Oceanside Rotary. Pres RENEЕ asked our District Governor MEL GALLEGOS to lead us in the Pledge of



Allegiance and PP JAY CRAWFORD to lead us in song. Of course, JAY picked his song "Oceanside, My Oceanside", followed by "God Bless America". When it was suggested we could have used our video to go along with the song, JAY noted it was in the wrong key.



Pres RENEЕ shared a Rotary moment. Last week RENEЕ received a phone call from a fellow Rotarian from Parker, CO, Rotarian JAYNE DAVISSON. She called because she was looking for an inspirational moment for her Rotary Club meeting. Her great grandfather was a charter member of a Rotary Club in Oceanside in the early 1900s and incidentally Pres RENEЕ had the same last name (RICHARDSON). The Rotarian in question was JOHN RICHARDSON, who was RENEЕ's former husband, TOM RICHARDSON'S grandfather. RENEЕ was able to share a lot of information about JAYNE's great grandfather and the history of Oceanside Rotary. JAYNE also noted her sister lives in Oceanside and she has been trying to get her to join a club. Not only did this chance phone call provide both Rotarians with an inspirational moment, it reminded us how small the Rotary world is, how connected we all are in Rotary, and it provided a lead for a prospective member for our club. Let's call that a "win/win/win/win." Well done, Pres RENEЕ.

CLUB UPDATES

Sep 14 - Joey Landwehr; Artistic Director of J Company Youth Theatre.

Sep 16 – Nail and Sail Contest as part of Oceanside’s Harbor Days. Come support our team of MELISSA RODRIGUEZ, KYLE PEDERSON and DEAN ANDERSEN as they build a boat and then race it against 7 other teams. Under the tutelage of master architect PP JAY CRAWFORD, our rookie team needs our support. The building portion is from 10 AM to 2 PM, followed by the races. Should be a fun day. GO TEAM ROTARY! Be the Inspiration!

Sep 21 – Michael Giorgine, RADM USN – Inside Camp David

Sep 28 – Peter Weiss – Mayor of Oceanside

Sep 29 – District 5340 District Foundation Seminar from 8:30 to Noon in San Diego. We are honored that the district asked our club to present on our Crown Heights program. Come support PP DAVE HALL as he shares with the district what we have accomplished so far with the disadvantaged youth in Oceanside and also learn about the Rotary Foundation.

Oct 6 – Flea Market – Fundraiser garage sale. If you have furniture that needs to be picked up, we have a big truck with a lift that will pick up the large items on Sat., Sep 29. So, start cleaning out your garage and help us raise money for our club activities. More info to come.

OTHER UNIQUE FUNDRAISING CONCEPTS

Rotarian Captain RON MARBEN is offering a 2-hour sunset cruise on Captain RON’s yacht while enjoying wine and a personally created cheese board (by Pres RENEE). Prices start at \$100/couple with all proceeds benefiting our Community Service Committee 2018-19. Contact RON at 520-450-2240 or rmarben@yahoo.com. It was noted this is a cruise on a real yacht and not the plywood and caulk Nail and Sail boat.

In April, Oceanside Rotary is planning to hold a fundraiser art auction in conjunction with our 95th Club Anniversary. More info to come.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS



PP BILL DERN introduced RUDY VAN HUNNICK; PP CHUCK WARD introduced L.J. FIMBRES; PP MIKE CURTIN introduced District Governor MEL GALLEGOS and his wife, JUDE, as well as ALEXA KINGAARD and BILL

BIRNIE, soon to become members of our club. Pres RENEE welcomed GORDY WITZ back, as he IS on the mend and with us again. It was mentioned that GORDY (a customary late arrival to our meetings) was early today. GORDY had to admit his wife drove and her meeting next door started before ours. PP JAY led us in song as we welcomed our guests.

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

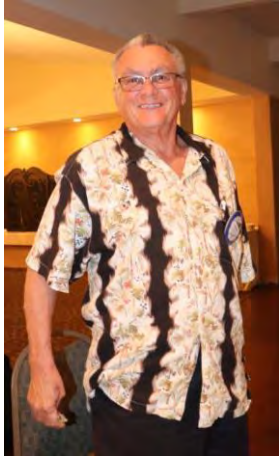


Pres RENEE asked Gov MEL along with ALEXA KINGAARD and WILLIAM BIRNIE to join her at the podium. Pres RENEE noted they were beginning a great adventure in leadership, in friendship, in service to our community and fellow man. She noted that they are invited to join Rotary, but only through their own actions will they truly become Rotarians. RENEE invited them to be active in the 5 Avenues of Service, service to others through club service, vocational service, community service, international service, and new generations service (the newest avenue, created in 2010). She challenged them to share the gift that has been given to you, the gift of being a Rotarian, by inviting another person of your same qualities of character, reputation, and commitment to join our club. The honor of becoming a Rotarian is only surpassed by sponsoring a new member. (Good words for all Rotarians to keep in mind.) Gov MEL pinned the Rotary wheel on our new members and Pres RENEE gave BILL a Red Badge and ALEXA a Blue Badge (Today's reporter was proud to have sponsored ALEXA into our club originally, back when she had the last name of STEFFEN). With some prodding from our President, the newest members were reminded how "FINE" our club is and they donated \$20 each.

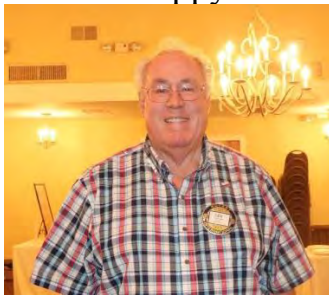
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



DALE MAAS is celebrating his 34th birthday on Sept. 9th and was \$10 happy.



ERNIE MASCITTI will be celebrating his 18th year as a member of this club and was \$20 happy.



With some confusion, LES NEWQUIST remembered he was celebrating his 13th wedding anniversary, and his 14th year as a member of Oceanside Rotary which somehow, for this accountant and our club treasurer, added up to \$20 happy.

HAPPY DOLLARS



PP BILL DERN was \$20 happy to announce his retirement from private practice in Oceanside, \$20 happy this is his 20th year as a Rotarian and \$5 happy that ALEXA has rejoined our club.



PP JAY CRAWFORD was \$5 happy to be back from smoky Montana. Had a wonderful time floating a couple of rivers, climbing mountains, eating elk and duck breasts and more.



PAM MYERS was \$5 happy that her son and daughter in-law successfully climbed Mt Whitney, the tallest mountain in lower 48 states.



PP CHUCK WARD was happy for many things...His shared his ad in the Oceanside magazine and how the longtime Oceanside resident who was featured in the ad remembered DAVID NYDEGGER, but only as "little DAVID." His real

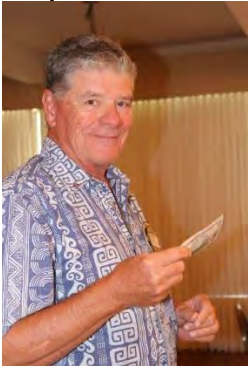
news is he brought L. J. FIMBRES into his business and sold the business with plans on moving to their place in downtown San Diego sometime in the future.



LYN CORDER was \$5 happy to have attended a family event in Chicago.



LES NEWQUIST was \$10 proud to announce his daughter and son in-law made a surprise visit from South Carolina to tell him they are expecting a baby in March.



RON MARBEN was \$5 happy...He made a trip back to Minnesota to visit family and did not get bitten by one mosquito.



GORDY WITZ was \$12 happy to share that his 12-year-old granddaughter starred in a show directed by next week's speaker, Joey Landwehr.



DAVID NYDEGGER was \$10 happy that he caught one of the last flights out of Hawaii before the hurricane hit the island. (And now, another one is on the way there. Prayers and best wishes to the islands and to the East Coast in the weather in the week to come.)



RUDY VAN HUNNICK was \$20 happy, that's it....Then he was another \$50 happy to honor LOLA SHERMAN for her part in creating a video for KOCT on the Dutch Resistance during WW2 featuring his father, entitled "Willem van Hunnik, WWII Dutch Resistance Fighter."



Pres RENEE auctioned off 4 rounds of golf at El Camino Country Club, left over from the golf tournament. MELISSA RODRIGUEZ obtained the rounds for \$100.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

PAUL WENDEE is seeking to become a member of Oceanside Rotary Club. If anyone has a concern, please contact Pres RENEE. (Frankly, though, it would take a lot of guts to bring a complaint to RENEE about her husband!)

GOVERNOR MEL GALLEGOS



Pres RENEE introduced our District Governor for 2018-19 MEL GALLEGOS and his wife “HEY JUDE.” Gov MEL was born and raised in Central, California. He received a BS in Nursing from a Cal State Univ. He worked in a winery, served as a Hospital Corpsman in the United States Navy and joined the staff of Sharp Memorial Hospital in 1981 working in the Cardiac Unit. In the last few years he transitioned into the Information Technology Department.

MEL is past President of El Cajon Breakfast Club and San Diego Downtown Rotary Club. His wife JUDE is a member of the San Diego Downtown Breakfast Rotary Club. MEL also served as an Assistant Governor, Foundation Mentor, Rotaract Chair, Community Service Chair, Foundation Gala Chair, and District Conference Chair. He is a multiple Major Donor to the Rotary Foundation and a Bequest Society member. MEL is dedicated to making the world a better place for others.

As with all of our fine presentations. Rotarians need to be present to fully appreciate the program. That is never truer than when listening to our District Governor. Here are a few highlights of his presentation.

Gov MEL noted Oceanside Rotary is an active club, founded in April 1924 with 24 members. Over the years, Oceanside Rotary has given over \$283,000 to the Rotary Foundation. He noted our participation recently with Ivey Ranch, tree planting, and our continuing program to help at risk youth in Crown Heights along with many other programs. By the time Gov MEL finished listing all our contributions to our local community and the world, Oceanside Rotarians should be proud of our commitment to service to others.

Gov MEL shared how he came to be a Rotarian years ago and how important mentoring new members is. Without someone mentoring him, he would not have become a Club President and served in many district positions. He also shared how his first international convention in 1996 in Calgary opened his eyes to the impact of Rotary around the world and how similar all Rotarians were. (Reporter's note: I fully agree with Gov MEL. My convention as Pres Elect in 2007-8 opened my eyes to the impact of Rotary around the world.)

MEL shared the history of Rotary's drive to eradicate polio. Although the project officially was established in 1985, it actually had started in 1979 when Rotarians and members of the Philippine ministry of health launched a program to vaccinate children. That year Rotary International and the Philippine government signed a 5-year contract to vaccinate 6 million children for polio. Later, in 1985 Rotary started the Polio Plus program around the world. MEL reminded us how close we really are to completing our task. This year only 15 cases of polio have been reported in Afghanistan and Pakistan.



Gov MEL shared how membership in the U. S. has been stagnant and described the programs our district is pursuing to grow Rotary. He also discussed how we are moving the District Council meetings around the district to bring them closer to the membership. MEL mentioned the Foundation Gala in November that will celebrate all the things we do in

Rotary through the foundation and locally in the district. MEL also shared a video about the District Conference coming in the spring. It will be held at the Catamaran Hotel, a bayfront resort in Mission Beach, San Diego on March 1st thru the 3rd. Special pricing is available along with free parking for Rotarians that want to stay at the resort. Plenty of social and resort options will be available along with activities for families including being close to Belmont Park and SeaWorld.



Gov MEL asked PP/ASST GOV MIKE CURTIN and Pres RENEE RICHARDSON-WENDEE to the podium where he presented them with a special Rotary coin as a thank you for their service to Rotary. (It reads “District 5340 is making waves – Be the Inspiration.) Pres RENEE noted our District Governor asked that any gift to him be given instead as a donation to Polio Plus.



OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

PP JAY CRAWFORD held the winning ticket for a chance to win \$800. Sadly (for him) he didn't draw the joker and had to settle for \$10. And with that Pres RENEE brought our meeting to a close.



THIS JUST IN FROM A PREVIOUS SPEAKER

This addendum was passed along by PP JIM SCHRODER:

Last month when DEANNA LORSON, the Assistant City Manager, was our speaker, the question was asked by one of our members, "How much open space does the city of Oceanside have?" Below is the answer she sent.

"In response to the question asked during my Rotary presentation last month, based on current zoning designations, the City has roughly 2,530 acres of open space, which amounts to about 9.4% of the City's total land area. A lot of this open space is in the San Luis Rey River, as well as other habitat areas. Not all of our open space zones are habitat; our golf courses and active-use parks bear the Open Space designation, as well."

WHAT WE DID ON FRIDAY AUGUST 24 INSTEAD OF A LUNCH MEETING

We wrapped up the summer for Oceanside Rotary with another one of our amazing evening social events. That Friday night a goodly number of Rotarians and guests gathered at the newer location of That Boy Good BBQ. There was no formal meeting, but we did take some time out of the conversations to make a special presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow Award to LYN CORDER's other grandson GABRIEL. A number of other guests attended as well, including "Big Wave DAVE" MICKELSON. Perhaps PP VICKIE PROSSER summed the night up best with this brief recap:

*“Good food,
Good drinks,
GREAT company
Lots of guests!
A good time was had by all.”*



ROTARIANS OUT AND ABOUT

As if our Reporter for this week BILL DERN wasn't going through enough changes with the sale of his dental practice, he also is gearing up to be a father-in-law for the fifth and final time. The sole remaining unhitched DERN boy will no longer be a bachelor after November 11 as MARK will be married to ROBYN BRAULT. To get themselves ready for the big event, the two fathers-in-law-to-be (BILL and TOM) met up at Men's Wearhouse to get fitted for their tuxes. Luckily, they both can be guaranteed a little extra roominess in their tux pants, for their wallets are destined to become a bit lighter after they pay out their portions for the proceedings. After the tux fitting, BILL and TOM marched across the parking lot to Outback Steakhouse to toast each other with a couple of beers and share a bloomin' onion. What a great way to kick the wedding preliminaries into high gear!



COMING SOON TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Sept 14: JOEY LANDWEHR, Artistic Director of J Company Youth Theatre
Reporter: JANET BLEDSOE LACY

Sunday Sept 16: Cheer on your friends on the Oceanside Rotary team at the Nail and Sail event at Harbor Days. (Will they find a way to float, or will they sink and swim?)

Sept 21: MICHAEL GIORGINE, Rear Admiral, USN (Ret.), “Inside Camp David”
Reporter: PAM MYERS

Sept 28: PETER WEISS, Mayor of Oceanside
Reporter: LOLA SHERMAN

Sept 29 – District 5340 District Foundation Seminar from 8:30 to Noon in San Diego.

Oct 5: DAVID ALEMIAN, Recruitment and Retention
Reporter: TBD

Oct 6 – Flea Market – Fundraiser garage sale.

Oct 12: MICHAEL WHITE RYAN, Language of Space
Reporter: TBD

Oct 19: AWAY MEETING AT SALVATION ARMY – Host BRIAN ORR
Reporter: TBD

Oct 26: RON MacDONALD, Arlington National Cemetery
Reporter: TBD