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Rotary Club of Coronado

VOL. 78, NO.39	April 4, 2007	SCRIBE: <i>Jim Tom Pinch</i>
NEXT WEEK: April 11, 2007		
PROGRAM: San Diego Padres		
SPEAKER : Sandy Alderson		
LOCATION: Carousel Room		

CLUB PROGRAM CALENDAR

18 April	Coronado Historical Society	Joe Ditler
25 April	County Supervisor Greg Cox	Debby Syverson
2 May	Can Christianity and Islam be Reconciled?	Msgr. Dennis Mikilanis

CLUB EVENT CALENDAR

14 April	Beach CleanUp	Tim Cusick
21 April	Rotaract Golf Tournament	Walt Heinecke
28 April	Rotarians at Work Day	Dan'l Steward
29 April	Pancake Breakfast	John Garrett
12 May	Beach Clean Up	Tim Cusick
18-20 May	District 5340 Conference	
9 June	Beach Clean Up	Tim Cusick
17 June	Low Tide Ride & Stride	Steve Haley

NOTES FROM THE SCRIBE: Past-president **Paul Plumb** presided over the first post-**Jim Verneti** Coronado Rotary meeting. Our beloved Dr. Jim was remembered in thought and prayer at the beginning of the gathering. **Wayne Strickland**, fresh off his elevation to "Rotarian of the Year" offered said invocation, led the Pledge, and made everyone wish for the return of **Lionel Rowe** as he attempted to introduce our three visiting Rotarians.

ROTARY NOTES of INTEREST and ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **John Garrett** reminded us that the Pancake Breakfast will be April 29 and that all assignments are filled.
2. **John Wells** won't play golf EVER! But, that didn't stop him from winning the Hawaiian golf holiday from the tournament raffle. He's thinking about rebating the green fees to the Club.
3. Rotary Night at the Opera was great, but you had to pre-party, heavily, at **Lynn Sassenrath's** in order to "get it." **Ross White** reported 38 hardy souls braved the evening.
4. Rotary/CHS Jobs Fair was a huge success. **Sandy Boyce** especially recognized **Gloria LeBlanc** and **Nancy Santos** for their efforts.
5. **Vernie Welch** and the usual suspects, minus **Greg Walker** who had something going with our server Judy Cash, served the homeless at St. Vincent DePaul's this morning. The early risers will do it again the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.
6. WHO AM I? Good question. Somehow, **Wayne Strickland's** Navy dad was stationed in Red Bluff, CA. We're not sure they upgraded by moving to East LA. At least he got to eat the Garfield-Roosevelt Special. After a "kiddie cruise" in the Navy Wayne joined the Coronado fire department and terrorized the local citizenry for 32 years. He finally retired to join the previously anonymous "Island Beer Club."
7. **Dave Axelson**, in his guise as Director of the Islander Sports Foundation, accepted your \$1000 donation for MS/HS sports.

Blasts from the Past – News of Note

- Rotarians at Work Day will be April 28. This is an all-day, all-hands event so you might as well plan on making it a Rotary Weekend as the Pancake Breakfast is the next day. **Dan'I Steward** is the leader of Rotarians at Work Day and will have assignments later. Plan on spending the day at Camp Surf.
- **John Garrett** announced the date of this year's Pancake Breakfast, which will be April 29. Remember that this is an "all-hands" event. John is soliciting your suggestions for making this event even better than it already is.
- Low Tide Ride & Stride meetings continue. Please respond to their request for help with sponsorship.
- The annual District 5340 Conference will be held in Ensenada May 18-20. Please sign up via the District website.

THE FAMILY OF ROTARY

As everyone knows by now, **Jim Verneti** passed away last Sunday. His service will be held at Christ Church Coronado at 11:00 a.m. on April 5, 2007.

Jane Huntington is in room 222 of Coronado Hospital after breaking some bones in a fall last Friday. She'd love cards, but has plenty of flowers.

Jane Simeral continues to be our contact for The Family of Rotary. Please phone or email her with information concerning illnesses, hospitalizations, etc. of members or their families at 435-6025 or jsimeral@pacbell.net.

FINES, SHARING & RECOGNITIONS

- \$1000 fines were the order of the day for those hapless Rotarians who couldn't remember Arch Klumph. Fortunately for **Phil Monroe**, **Charlie Iwashita**, and **Wayne Strickland** "lifelines" were available and fines were significantly reduced.

PROGRAM

Guy Zeller brought back Dr. Farouk Al-Nasser for the "Solution in Iraq." Dr. Al-Nasser claims that the "situation is dire," and that Iraq is currently "a failed state." Solutions, in his opinion, do NOT include partition of the country nor does he think the troop "surge" will be enough or sustainable. His suggestions: a long-term coherent strategy including amnesty and reconciliation (not for jihadis), de-bathification, reforming the constitution, holding local elections, an inclusive government with qualified ministers (I'd like that in CA!), equitable services in ALL neighborhoods, and distribution of the oil wealth to ALL. The big question for homegrown Iraqis is what to do about the rampant corruption and the lack of faith in the police and government institutions.

MEMBERSHIP

The following people have been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Coronado and have completed their Rotary Information One program. If you have any comments regarding their proposed membership, please contact President-elect Scott Metzger.

Name: Mariann Grasela

Classification: ~Registered Nurse - Esthetician

Sponsor: **Bud Forrest**

Name: Don McCleary

Classification: ~ Past Service: Leasing Car & Capital Equipment

Sponsor: **Walt Heinecke**

Name: Ann Scott

Classification: ~ Past Service: Compensation Consulting

Sponsor: **Stephen Kasbeer**

Name: Sabrina Mills

Classification: ~ Hotel-Membership Management

Sponsor: **Bill Dodds**

Coronado Rotary Members	
Men	184
Women	53
Total	237

RAFFLE: You know them, you love them, and you can't live without them -- buy raffle tickets weekly.

***The difference between "ordinary" and "extraordinary" is just a little "extra."
Now go out and be EXTRAORDINARY!***

