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Rotary Club of Coronado

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NEXT WEEK: October 8, 2008		
PROGRAM: Candidate Forum		
SPEAKER : City Council Candidates		
LOCATION: Carousel Room		

CLUB PROGRAM CALENDAR

15 October	Candidate Forum	Mayor
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CLUB EVENT CALENDAR

11 October	Beach Clean up	Tim Cusick
14 October	Board Meeting	President Al
16 October	Rotary Info II	Bob Shugert
26 October	Aid Station @ CAF Triatholon	Dan Orr
11 November	Rotary Board Meeting	President Al
17 December	Coronado Rotary Family Christmas Party	Santa Claus

NOTES FROM THE SCRIBE:

Unbelievable! We could actually hear **President Al**, and in the room with the worst acoustics, no less. **Tim Cusick** got the tri-fecta: Invocation, Pledge, introduce visiting Rotarians. And, he pulled it off with aplomb. No need for "Leandro Roue." Songmeister **Mike Woiwode** led the Happy Birthday greetings to our October celebrants.

ROTARY NOTES OF INTEREST AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Mary Sternad** noted that there was no breaking news on the "Care and Concern" front, which should be considered good news.
- Attention Red Badgers, and other interested parties. The monthly board meeting of the Rotary Club of Coronado is held on the second Tuesday of each month. They are held at the world headquarters of The Gensler Group, 120 C Avenue at 4:30 p.m.

The Family of Rotary

- Please contact **Mary Sternad** at 522-9452 or psternad@aol.com for updates and information.
- While we're at it, **Ralph Mitchell** could use a ride to Rotary, but he won't come up on the Scribe's bicycle. He needs a car.

FINES & RECOGNITIONS

1. "Recognition," I guess it is. **Ivan Dunn's** wife recognized a less-than-fully-clothed gentleman streaking the Hotel Del after last week's Rotary meeting. She didn't notice if he was wearing a Rotary pin.
2. Poor **Mary Ann Berta** was fined \$75 for an article in Coronado Lifestyle that was printed month's ago.

PROGRAM

Oh boy! It's the start of the "silly season" and the thieving weasel politicians are lining up to secure the Rotary vote. First up, the school board. Our very highly qualified candidates are **Doug Metz** (Rotarian), Dawn Ovrom (wife and daughter-in-law of Rotarians) and Scott Aurich (wishes he was a Rotarian). Our moderator-in-chief **Sally Bixler** quizzed the candidates on our behalf. But first, the platforms. **Doug Metz** is running for re-election to complete unfinished business and to do his part in keeping CUSD #1 during this time of budget challenges. Dawn Ovrom is a lawyer by training and a stay-at-home mom by choice. She has been very active at all volunteer levels with the schools and believes it is time for her to "flag up" to more responsibility. Her main goal is pro-active communication with the community. Scott Aurich is a captain of industry who has been asked to participate in many important school district activities. He's involved now because of his participation in looking at a parcel tax to supplement teachers' salaries.

Q1: What will you do to encourage greater attendance since the schools are funded by ADA?

Dawn: Communication with parents.

Doug: Send a "bill" to the parents (just kidding)

Scott: Ditto both of the above.

Q2: Funding for Special Ed vs. other district obligations?

Doug: Special Ed spending is MANDATED by the feds. CUSD is only being reimbursed 17-18% of the

cost. Contact your congressman and demand full funding of school mandates!

Dawn: Streamline operations. Bring special ed parents to the table. Communication.

Scott: "I'm just learning about special ed." "Doug is on the right track."

Q3: Open Campus at lunchtime experiment?

Scott: Community not prepared to support an open campus.

Dawn: Was on study committee. This has been a question going back to at least 1958. The school grounds have changed. There aren't as many parents at home. Supports one-year experiment with the freshmen.

Doug: Support one-year experiment, will look at the data.

Q4: Parcel Tax?

Scott: This issue got him involved. Supports parcel tax, but believes it is not viable now.

Dawn: Against parcel tax at this time. Wants to streamline operations and only go to alternative funding as a last resort.

Doug: Opposed. CUSD has to convince the public that they are doing all they can with what they have before asking for a parcel tax.

Q5: Funding of the new pool?

Dawn: Supports the new arrangement with a one-year contract with a new aquatics group.

Doug: Originally voted against the pool, but now we have it and he is looking for a solid business plan.

Scott: Not optimistic about the viability of the pool under the management of the aquatic foundation or the district. Believes it will end up with the city and he believes he is well-qualified to help facilitate that if that's what it comes to.

Audience Question: Merit Pay?

Doug: Unions are a big problem. In principle it's a good idea. Practically, not so good.

Scott: Teachers need to create the program if there is one.

Dawn: Ditto Scott.

Vote November 4 (or earlier if you're traveling)

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!***

