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WELCOME TO OCEANSIDE ROTARY

Our ever eager President TERRI HALL called the meeting to order at 12:26 pm and welcomed everybody.



The Invocation was given by JIM SCHRODER.



The Pledge was led by RANDY MITCHELL.

Next up was our Songmeister TOM BRAULT... Our first tune, "Smile" was dedicated to OUSD Super LARRY PERONDI, who had a very rough week dealing with the budget crisis. Then, since we were launching into the month of March, Tom had us all whistle to the famous march tune, "The Bridge over the River Kwai" theme song...Sad to report that it did not work very well, especially when TOM asked us all to whistle and march at the same time.



To wrap up the vocal calisthenics, he started a tongue in cheek Military Cadence for Prez TERRI...We all repeated back what TOM had just said. It was all about how she lost her gavel. {Full text of the cadence at the end of the newsletter, if you're interested.}

CLUB UPDATES



District Assembly March 20..8am-12Noon...All Board members are expected to attend. Red badgers are definitely encouraged to come, and ALL are welcome to sign up and show up "to show we are the best club in the district." He pleaded... "Don't let your President Elect go by himself"... On the very same day there will also be a Matching Grants Seminar from 1-4pm, and VERNON and RENEE are planning on attending.

Jack Thill Day will be marked at our club on March 26 and also please note that our next Board Meeting is this coming Friday March 12 at 11am at ECC.

VISITING ROTARIANS & GUESTS



LAWSON CHADWICK introduced our speaker, Eileen Turk, Division Manager for Parks & Rec for the City of O'Side and Maureen Fleming, Senior Services Supervisor, City of O'side.



Jim Duffy, son of former five term Sheriff, John Duffy.



Andrew Molnar from Encinitas Coastal Rotary.



Rounding out our guests, **Dr. Tom Curtin** from Carlsbad was sitting with **JIM SCHRODER**

Songmeister **TOM BRAULT** apologized that "Smile" had been sung a little lower than some members find comfortable, so with the Welcome song he started us in a key higher than a hippie at Woodstock! That key didn't work for most of us, but somehow, **TOM** managed to hit all the high notes!

BEST PERFORMANCE BY A PRESIDENT IN A SUPPORTING ROLE...

President **TERRI** gave us an update on our recent poll of our members. So far, only 25 people took the Rotary Club Mid-Year Survey (on line) in February. Then she gave a very heartfelt talk on how she has tried so hard to be a good Prez this year. She wanted us to have fun... She lamented that she may have failed us... She started her year with a broken wrist and she has struggled at times.

At this point, she became very emotional and seemed to be starting to cry.....She said she hoped she has done a good job, but she just wasn't sure... **RANDY MITCHELL** reassured her with, "You have done a good job"...**THEN TERRI's** weepy eyes abruptly shifted to a glare of fiery intensity as she yelled out, "Really? ... Then I want my Freakin' Gavel Back !!" The stunned audience broke out into applause and laughter. She had punked us! It turned out to be a performance worthy of an Oscar...most appropriate for this day, since the Oscars were this Sunday. She really fooled **MOST** of us!

Then, to follow up on the gavel business, as a graduate of the Rotary leadership Academy, she read from a photocopy of the Rotary MOP under "Club President's Duties"...# 8..**THE GAVEL CLAUSE** (is this anything like the Santa Clause??) She read..."if someone steals the President's gavel, that person is required to assume the duties of President for the remainder of his/her term"...After obtaining the copy of the MOP **TERRI** was reading from, it was discovered that #8 was hand written into the margins of the printed text..... **BUSTED!!!** (But it shows how much she does want her real gavel back. Let the "Gavel Grabber", whoever he or she may be, take note, and possibly take pity.)

She then handed out copies of the survey results. Among other things it was noted that responding members said they like to hear controversial issues in our programs, but

that both sides should be given. TERRI then reiterated that she will not accept happy dollars for political endorsements.

HEALTH UPDATES

We heard from VICKIE PROSSER that RICHARD MYERS is not doing very well (his first round of 'chemo' brought his readings up only up a little), but he is feeling better daily. His brother, a Doctor from Texas, comes to visit regularly, which is also a plus. Please continue to send him cards and good wishes.

RUDY VAN HUNNICK is recovering from a severe sinus infection, but we hear that he is feeling better.

CAN YOU BRING SOME CANS THIS WEEK?

This Friday's meeting, the 12th of March, is the Boy Scout food drive. They will be here to pick up our contributions of non perishable items, so bring a few items to the meeting. You can also give money, RENEE will take your cash or gift cards from Ralph's, Albertsons, etc. We are hoping for 100% participation from our members so we can load the Boy Scouts down with good grub!

HAPPY DOLLARS



VICKIE PROSSER ..\$5..for TERRI's tear jerking Academy Award performance.

RANDY MITCHELL..\$5..for TERRI's stellar acting which had him convinced that she was really seriously verging on depression.



LARRY O'HARRA..\$20...He auditioned and got a major part in a musical comedy written by the creator of the comic strip Luann (Greg Evans). The show will be performed at the Broadway Theatre in Vista. It is called "Wrinkles" and is all about aging ...a subject that many of us here can relate to.



TOM BRAULT had \$3 ..His daughter Robyn was accepted at all three colleges that she applied to, but will probably go to the PRIVATE one, so he needs to conserve his cash.



CHARLIE ADAMS...\$5 because MiraCosta opened up a veterans lounge this week. A place where they can relax on campus.

PROGRAM

STANDARD DISCLAIMER: *The Oceanside Rotary Club is committed to providing our members with an interesting and at times challenging array of programs. As always the presentations of our guest speakers reflect their own views, positions and opinions. The reporting of our speakers' remarks does not imply endorsement or agreement with the views presented.*



Program Co-Chair **LAWSON CHADWICK** introduced our tag-team program from the City of Oceanside, focusing their discussion on Transportation for Seniors in Oceanside.



Eileen Turk grew up in NY and then attended Springfield College, Massachusetts. She spent 5 years working in Recreation in NY followed by 16 years for the City of San Diego and then finally at her most favorite job, working for the last 4 years here in O'side as Division Manager for the Parks and Recreation Department. She oversees 30 parks, 6 recreation centers, 2 pools, 2 golf courses 4 skate parks & 1 historical park.



With her, taking turns talking with us was **Maureen Fleming** who grew up in North County and has, for the past 20+ years, been a strong advocate for our seniors. She is now the Senior Services Director for the City of Oceanside. She started the senior expo.

There are approximately 40,000 seniors in O'side, and we were told about several programs available for anybody over 55. Transportation is a key issue for seniors. It is critical to their well-being able to get out of their homes. When they lose their driver's license, it is very devastating because they lose their independence and can become isolated.

There are 3 main services for over those over 65: Taxi, Shuttle and Volunteer Driver

Taxi service is provided by Yellow cab, with the City paying \$13 of the \$20 fare. Seniors only have to pay \$7 for personal transportation that is available to them 24/7.

The Shuttle program uses vans or taxis and seniors are charged a \$5 fee for one way service.

The Volunteer Driver program fits the volunteer's schedule with no set commitment up front. You accept assignments whenever you are available and receive a 50 cents per mile reimbursement. It can be as simple as just taking a senior grocery shopping with you, or for a haircut, to a movie, doctor's appointment...whatever. Being able to get around town to take care of every day normal things mean so much to seniors.

How can the City afford to provide these transportation solutions in this difficult economic environment? ... Genentech donated \$175,000 2 years ago which made these

programs possible, and the City is constantly in pursuit of more contributions and grants to allow these options to continue and to expand.

Our guests were granted a Polio Plus donation certificate, the traditional choice of "Chocolate or Cheetos", and also received a nice round of applause and appreciation.



Wrapping up the Meeting

President TERRI told the sad tale of how our Rotary photographer VICKIE PROSSER had broken her camera. This incident was a good excuse to try to round up a replacement for her as a photographer. This shifted into the concept of having several members share the photography duties on a rotating basis, similar to how we run the Shorelines reporting job: Getting several members involved so that the responsibility is spread around and doesn't fall on just one individual. The plan is for the club to purchase a new camera and to have it available at the meeting for whoever is Photographer of the Day. A signup list was passed, but I'm sure that there is room for a few more shutterbug volunteers.

JOHN MCMAHAN announced the golf fundraiser on June 21...He laid it all on the line and let us all know that last year's participation from our club was disappointing. Therefore, if we don't get a better response this time around, this may be the last time we participate. We need not just golfers, but a great way to support the effort is to drum up a tee sponsor or two.... That is where we make our real money. Too few of us get involved in this project, which is supposed to be one of our major fundraisers. Let's all try to pitch in to this tournament in whatever way we can to make it a bigger and better event and a financial boost to our club!

Opportunity Drawing: \$236.00

JOHN MCMAHAN won! He held the lucky ticket and then drew a Jack (suit unknown) and donated the \$20 back to the club.



President TERRI adjourned the meeting at 1:17 pm, which could be a new world's record for a full meeting with a program with two presenters!

FULL TEXT OF TERRI'S MILITARY CADENCE

I don't know, so I ask you all (I don't know, so I ask you all)
What's the deal with Terri Hall? ... (What's the deal with Terri Hall?)
She lost her gavel long ago ... (She lost her gavel long ago)
Where it is, I do not know ... (Where it is, I do not know)
She thinks it's in her home or car ... (She thinks it's in her home or car)
But from what I heard, it didn't go that far ... (But from what I heard, it didn't go that far)
Somebody probably stole it from here ... (Somebody probably stole it from here)
And it may be gone the rest of the year... (And it may be gone the rest of the year)
So if you ever want it to be returned ... (So if you ever want it to be returned)
You'd better show that you have learned ... (You'd better show that you have learned)

Sound Off ... (1, 2)

Sound Off ... (3, 4), etc....

March 2010	Program: Chadwick/High
March 12 Reporter: Andersen 11:00 board meeting	Jessica Van Der Stad, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
March 19 Reporter: Crawford	
March 26 Reporter: Brault	
April 2010	Program: Chadwick/High
April 2	DARK for Easter
April 9 Reporter: 11:00 board meeting	Jim Duffy, The future of the San Diego Sheriff's Department
April 16 Reporter:	
April 23 Reporter:	
April 24 Saturday	ROTARIANS @ WORK
April 30 Reporter:	
May 2010	Program: Chadwick/High
May 7 Reporter:	Ben Conarroe, Executive Director San Diego Restorative Justice Mediation Program
May 14 Reporter: 11:00 board meeting	
May 21 Reporter:	
May28	DARK for Memorial Day
June 2010	Program: Chadwick/High
June 4 Reporter:	
June 11 Reporter: 11:00 board meeting	
June 18 Reporter:	
June 25	Lunch meeting DARK @18:00 Demotion Dinner for TERRI HALL

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