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S E R V I C E A B O V E S E L F
THE ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEREY, RI DISTRICT 5230



President Dennis McCarthy

Dennis McCarthy has been a member of the Rotary Club of Monterey since 2001. He's had the distinct pleasure of coordinating our Club's Nanao Student Exchange Program for 12+ years. Originally from Santa Cruz, Dennis received a BA in History/Psychology from San Jose State University. He then spent two years teaching English in Japan at a school headed by a man reputed to be Tokyo Rose's boss during World War II! The school actually taught English and American culture/business to Japanese businessmen and government officials.

Returning from Japan, he enrolled in and received a masters degree from Teachers College, Columbia

University in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) with plans to head back to Asia. While in New York, Dennis was the English Language Director for the Armenian General Benevolent Union (AGBU) and then taught English to Vietnamese refugee children for Catholic Charities in East Orange, New Jersey.

In 1981, love and marriage deferred his plans to return to Asia and, because of his work with refugees, Dennis developed an interest in public policy and enrolled in New York University School of Law graduating in 1984. After earning his JD degree, he was fortunate to land a job in San Francisco practicing civil litigation/employment law at Bronson, Bronson and McKinnon. McCarthy later became in-house counsel for a Fortune 500 company, Varian Associates, Inc. in Palo Alto managing it's nationwide litigation. After a couple of years in Palo Alto, his spouse, Dr. Lynn Goldstein, joined the faculty at the Monterey Institute of International Studies (now Middlebury) which led McCarthy to join the Monterey law firm of Hoge, Fenton Jones and Appel (now Fenton and Keller). His practice focused on defending local

businesses, non-profits and government entities against claims of employment discrimination and sexual harassment under the guidance of Lewis Fenton and Chuck Keller.



In 2017, Dennis was recognized by the Monterey County Bar Association with the Lewis L. Fenton Award for Excellence in Advocacy. And, as you can see from the accompanying photo, Dennis and his brother learned early on how to assure that clients paid their legal bills!

Dennis retired from Fenton and Keller in 2018 after 28 years. Over the years he's had the privilege of serving on the board of directors for United Way, the Big Sur International Marathon, Monterey Pony Baseball/Softball and as a Monterey City Parks and Recreation Commissioner for 16 years and counting.

Dennis enjoys traveling (finally made it back to Asia!), playing baseball (retired last year; see accompanying picture of Monterey Rotarians Dennis, George Robinette, Terry Wecker and Dennis Horn as well as Seaside Rotarian Mel Green), coaching YMCA and Robert Louis Stevenson middle school basketball (go Pirates!) and participating in triathlons.





JULY

Thursday – 07/08 Board Meeting – 8:00 AM (Via Zoom)

Thursday – 07/08 Doug Thurston – Big Sur Marathon Return to Racing

Tuesday – 07/13 COG Meeting – 5:30 PM – In-Person – Hilton Garden Inn

Thursday – 07/15 “Dark Noon Meeting”

Thursday – 07/15 SUMMER SOIRÉE – 5:30 PM – Ferrantes Bay View Room

Thursday – 07/22 Mike Clancy – Climate Change

Thursday – 07/29 DG Bruce Mackey – District Governor



Jon Giffen – July 2
David Martin – July 2

Steve Pearson July 6
Wayne Downey – July 7

Monterey Rotary Fundraising Fun! 2 MAJOR Upcoming Events

- 1) Please make sure to SIGN-UP with Terry Ryan for the club's **SUMMER SOIRÉE** to be held in FERRANTE'S ROOM at the MARRIOTT July 15
- 2) Be prepared to sign-up for volunteer positions @RM-SOTHBYS 2021 COLLECTOR CAR AUCTION coming this August!

BOOK CLUB



August 4th

Hamnet, by Maggi O'Farrell
Discussion led by Molly Bozzo
and a "special guest"

Join us anytime by contacting
Molly Bozzo 831-574-4600 or
mbozzo@stevensonschool.org

We meet via Zoom
on the first Wednesday
of each month at 5:00 PM.