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The Eagle has landed. One small step for [a] man, One giant leap for mankind



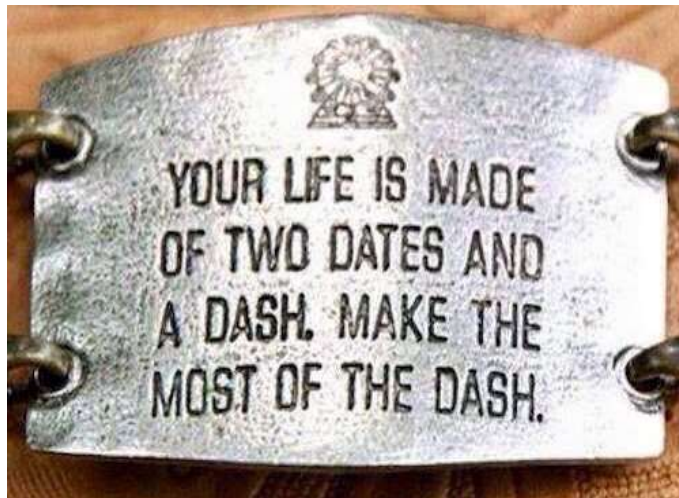
APOLLO 11 ANNIVERSARY

"The eagle has landed." Remember the controversy over the article 'a' being left out in the quote uttered by Neil Armstrong when he stepped on the moon and said, "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." He meant to say, "One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind." Neil swore he said the 'a' but nobody heard it. Anyway, how cool is it that we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of that momentous occasion. Word has it that the next moon adventure will take place in 2024 and a woman is scheduled to be on board. Now all we need is to start a Rotary Club right next to the flag. it should be called: Moon Rotary Club of the Universe.

“WILL THE MEETING PLEASE COME TO ORDER”



THOUGHT OF THE DAY FROM RICH LUECK



RISE AND SHINE



GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS

Community Services

Community Services Co-Chair Clayton Worsdell said that the next Home Team service is scheduled for July 27. So far only Madame President, Julia Dawson, signed up, Please let Clayton know if you can spare a few hours to help a few senior citizens.

Club Services

Club Services Director Barbara Reifschneider reminded us that thanks to **Bill** and **Renee Rushworth**, the first hot social event of the season will be at their house.

You all know the drill. Bring a delicious pot luck dish and don't forget the drinks. We will meet at her house 1601 Franrose Lane, Concord on Friday, July 26 around 6:00 pm.

Upcoming Fall Seminars

Training Chairs, **Patricia Bergman** and **Claire Roberts** reminded all District 5160 Rotarians about the upcoming Fall Seminars.

Ask yourself these questions:

- Are you a new Rotarian who wants to learn more about our organization?
- Are you a seasoned Rotarian who is seeking new insights into service project and Club success?
- Do you enjoy meeting new Rotary friends and sharing ideas with other Clubs in the District?

If you answered yes, then you won't want to miss out on the fun and fellowship that is planned at these Seminars because our Fall Seminars are just the venue for you.

Please mark your calendar for the following dates:

South—**October 5** location to be announced

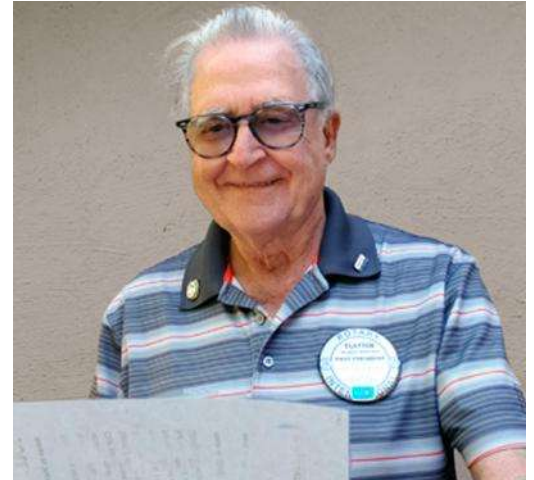
North—**October 19** in Redding at Simpson University

As the dates get closer you will receive a personalized registration invitation. Hope to see you there!

Contact us if you want more information.

Patricia Bergman pcochranb@hughes.net

Claire Roberts cmroberts@comcast.net



The Backpack Project

Once again our Club is participating in the Backpack Project with the Family Justice Center. Backpacks will be collected throughout the month of July right here at our Thursday meetings. **Rich Lueck** and **Clayton Worsdell** will deliver them to the FJC from the 18th through the 25th of July.



Many of the children of Contra Costa County Family Justice Center were forced to relocate due to domestic violence and left everything behind.

As a result, nearly all of them are in economically distressed households because the primary breadwinner was the abuser. FJC has provided trauma informed, victim centered support for these children. FJC is in the fourth year of partnership with Cornerstone Fellowship Walnut Creek to provide well-stocked, grade appropriate backpacks for children affected by domestic violence.

In addition to backpacks, you may also donate Scientific Calculators, Geometry sets, binders, folders, pencil cases, erasers, correction tape, notebooks, composition books, filler paper, printer paper, pencils, pens, markers, colored pencils, First Pencils (for Pre-k, K, and 1st grade), rulers, glue sticks, scissors (both blunt and sharp tip), non-perishable snacks, disinfecting wipes, tissue packs

Remember, do not donate Blue or Red backpacks. Also, no pencil boxes/cases, notebooks, binders or folders, correction fluid, liquid glue, or mechanical pencils. *Thank you so very much for your participation in this very much needed community project.*

Outstanding Service Award

President Julia Dawson Aguilar presented a Service Award to Home Team **Co-chair Bob Huck**, for his stepping in for a member who left our Club. More service stars will be forthcoming to honor wonderful volunteers like you.



Cars 2nd Chance



Dave and Mary Kemnitz reported that **Bill Arena** has stepped up to the plate and will handle the marketing tasks for the Cars 2 ND Chance which consists of posting the vehicles on Facebook Marketplace which is very time-consuming.

Calls and texts will be directed to the Facebook Messenger and Dave and Mary will hopefully keep up with that.

Dave will still handle the viewing of the vehicles and negotiating sales. Mary will handle the paperwork and bank deposits generated by the sales.

How can you help? Well, while the cars are for sale they need pretty frequent washing which can be done right here at D&H. Please let Mary or Dave know if you can participate. Remember the cars program is how our Club adds money to the treasury.

Speakers Needed



Program Chair John Wolfe informs us that the open dates for Rotary speakers are August 15 (top priority) as well as September 5, 12, 20 and 27. While he has one potential speaker, no date has been chosen yet. Let John know if you have any ideas for a speaker(s): candjwolfe@aol.com

HAPPY BUCKS



Check out this way cool Web Master dude, **John Wenzel**, who was sporting this fashionable beard. He told us he was happy because he and his family spent time visiting relatives in Eugene and Redmond Oregon. All went well, but the ride home took 10 hours. Rembert, they were traveling with three kids, one of whom was 6-months old.

Bill Selb said **Emily** was happy because Barbara Reifschneider lent her the sunglasses she was wearing at the Pancake Breakfast.



Rob Waldman and his family are off to Chicago where they plan to help his uncle celebrate his 90th birthday.



Irene Davids-Blair is very happy because John Wenzel was at the meeting, Jeff Wilson showed up in a pink shirt, and Fred Nelson was back and looked fantastic.



Tommy Wolf had a great time in Tahoe where he and Vanessa went to celebrate Tommy's birthday. They did the beach thing, hiked, went bike riding, and took in an adult magic show; He didn't give us any details on that event.



John Wolfe went to a Shakespeare Festival in Oregon where he sat through five plays and two musicals and said that the performance of Macbeth was the bloodiest and most uncomfortable performance he ever sat through.

GUEST SPEAKER

HOW IT ALL BEGAN

Major Gwyn Edward Jones, Concord Core Officer of the Contra Costa County was introduced by **Program Chair John Wolfe**.



Major Jones spoke about the history of the Army and surprised us by relaying that the organization did not begin in the USA. The Army was founded in 1865 in London by one-time Methodist circuit-preacher William Booth and his wife Catherine at the East London Christian Mission, and can trace its origins to the Blind Beggar tavern.



In 1878 Booth reorganized the mission, becoming its first General and introducing the military structure which has been retained as a matter of tradition. Its highest priority is its Christian principles.

The Army was started in the United States in 1880. The current international leader of The Salvation Army and chief executive officer (CEO) is General Brian Peddle, who was elected by the High Council of The Salvation Army on 3 August 2018. A peculiarity of the Army is that it gives its clergy titles of military ranks, such as "lieutenant" or "major." It does not celebrate the rite of Baptism and Holy Communion. However, the Army's doctrine is otherwise typical of churches in the Wesleyan-Arminian tradition. The Army's purposes are "the advancement of the Christian religion, of education, the relief of poverty, and other charitable objects beneficial to society or the community of mankind as a whole." Major Jones told us we will be back doing bell ringing in December.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Major Gwyn came to America from the U.K. when he was 23 years old. He met his wife AnnMarguerite while she was the Youth Pastor at a Salvation Army Church and a full-time student at the Grand Canyon University. They have been married for 21 years and have four children.

LITERACY PROGRAM

Major Jones autographed the book titled "Leave Me Alone" that will be donated to the Clayton public library as part of our Literacy program.



THE GALLERY

This was President Julia Dawson Aguilar's PETS poster. It is a little hard to read but the words are all verses from songs she has sung.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF CLAYTON VALLEY/ CONCORD SUNRISE

*I want to teach the world to sing
in perfect harmony
and hear them echo through the hills
for peace throughout the world*

*In March, I will
celebrate 26 years as a
Rotary member.*

I did it PETS way!

*Yes, there were times, I'm sure you knew
When I bit off more than I could chew
But through it all, when there was doubt
I ate it up and spit it out
I faced it all and I stood tall and
I did it PETS way!*

*I've loved, I've laughed and cried
I've had my fill, my share of losing
and now, as tears subside
I find it all, all so amusing
To think I did all that
and may I say, not in a shy way
Oh no, no, not me
I did it PETS way!*

*For what is woman, what has she got?
If not herself, then she has naught
To say the things she truly feels
And not the words of one who kneels
The record shows I took the blows and
I did it PETS way!*

*I teach guitar and
piano and even
give voice lessons.*

ALWAYS LEAVE 'EM LAUGHING

CUTTING TREES

A red neck walks into a hardware store and asks for a saw that will cut 6 trees in one hour. The salesman recommends the top of the line chain saw model. The red neck is suitably impressed, and buys it.

The next day he brings it back and says, "This saw is defective. It would only cut down one tree and it took all the gosh-darned day!"

The salesman takes the chain saw, starts it up to see what's wrong, and the red neck asks, "What's that noise?"

A MAGIC TRICK

A magician worked on a cruise ship. The audience was different each week so the magician did the same tricks over and over again. There was only one problem – the captain's parrot saw the shows each week and began to understand how the Magician did every trick. Once he understood, he started shouting in the middle of the show, "Look, It's not the same hat!" or, "Look, he's hiding the flowers under the table!" Or "Hey, why are all the cards the ace of spades?" The magician was furious but couldn't do anything. it was, after all, the Captain's' parrot.

Then one stormy night on the Pacific, the ship unfortunately sank, drowning almost all who were on board. The magician luckily found himself on a piece of wood floating in the middle of the sea, as fate would have it, with the parrot. They stared at each other with hatred, but did not utter a word.

This went on for a day. And then 2 days. And then 3 days. Finally on the 4th day, the parrot could not hold back any longer and said....

"OK, I give up. Where's the darn ship?"

A SHOT GUN STORY

A guy walked into a crowded bar waving his upholstered pistol and yelled: "I have a 45 caliber Colt 1911 with a seven round magazine plus one in the chamber, and I want to know who's been sleeping with my wife."

A voice from the back of the room called out, "Heck, you're gonna need more ammo!"

MISSING WIFE

A husband went to the sheriff's department to report that his wife was missing.

Husband: My wife is missing. She went shopping yesterday and has not come home.

Sergeant: What is her height?

Husband: Gee, I'm not sure. A little over five-feet tall.

Sergeant: Weight?

Husband: Don't know. Not slim, not really fat.

Sergeant: Color of eyes?

Husband: Never noticed.

Sergeant: Color of hair?

Husband: Changes a couple times a year. Maybe it's dark brown.

Sergeant: What was she wearing?

Husband: Could have been a skirt or shorts. I don't remember exactly.

Sergeant: What kind of car did she go in?

Husband: She went in my truck.

Sergeant: What kind of truck was it?

Husband: Brand new 2015 Ford F150 King Ranch 4X4 with eco-boost 5.0L V8 engine special ordered with manual transmission. It has a custom matching white cover for the bed, custom leather seats and "Bubba" floor mats, trailering package with gold hitch, DVD with navigation, 21-channel CB radio, added special alloy wheels and off-road Michelins. Wife put a small scratch on the driver's door....

At this point the husband started choking up.

Sergeant: Don't worry buddy. We'll find your truck.

SKINNY DIPPING

Ron, an elderly man in Florida, has owned a large farm for several years. He had a large pond in the back. It was properly shaped for swimming, so he fixed it up nice with picnic tables, horseshoe courts and some orange and lime trees.

One evening, the old farmer decided to go down to the pond, as he hadn't been there for a while, and look it over. He grabbed a five gallon bucket to bring back some fruit.

As he neared the pond, he heard voices shouting and laughing with glee. When he came closer, he saw it was a bunch of young women skinny dipping in his pond. He made the women aware of his presence, and they all went to the deep end.

One of the women shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave!"

Ron frowned, "I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim naked or make you get out of the pond."

Holding the bucket up Ron said, "I'm here to feed the alligator."

ANNOYINGLY HONEST OBSERVATIONS

BEAUTY PARLOR: A place where women curl up and dye.

CHICKENS: The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE: A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

DUST: Mud with the juice squeezed out.

EGOTIST: Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

INFLATION: A way to cut money in half without damaging the paper.

SECRET: A story you tell to one person at a time.

SKELETON: A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

TOOTHACHE: The pain that drives you to extraction.

YAWN: An honest opinion openly expressed.

OLD: I very quietly confided to my friend that I was having an Affair. She turned to me and asked, "Are you having it catered?" ...and that, my friends, is the definition of 'OLD'!

...that's all folks.