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## MISSION ACCOMPLISHED



*"Well, here it is after 32 plus years—or at least as many years as we have been at the Oakhurst Country Club," said **Clayton Worsdell**, "we finally have a "Rotary Meets Here" wall plaque!"*

Clayton took the plaque to Oakhurst the morning of December 30, 2019 and installed it in the main lobby with the help of the **General Manager Mike van der Goes**." Clayton was determined to put it up this year, and, as we said, Mission Accomplished.

# **“WILL THE MEETING PLEASE COME TO ORDER”**



## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Clayton Worsdell**



*“The most effective way to do it, is to do it.” — Amelia Earhart*

*“In the end we will remember not the words of our enemies but the silence of our friends.”  
— Martin Luther King, Jr.*

## **TODAY’S GUESTS**



**DAVID PINTADO**

***Region 2 Representative from Mount Diablo High School  
and future health medical students***

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

## CLUB SERVICES

Yes indeed, **Clayton Worsdell** said, the volunteers for the Adapt-A-Street program were out there sweeping and scrubbing our thoroughfares during the time our Club was dark. That's what you call dedication.



## Make a Difference



**Ewa Sobilo** received applications from the Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury requesting volunteers apply to serve on the jury for one entire year commencing June 2020 and ending May 2021. If you have time and interest in our community, you are urged to apply. Applications will be on the Treasurer's table every week.

## Fill out the Questionnaire

Our **President-elect Vicki Sexton** has hit the ground running and wasting no time getting in gear for her 2020-2021 administration, and she wants your help. She emailed a questionnaire that she compiled to find out just what you want the Club to pursue and welcomes any suggestions you may have.



## And the Winners Are...

The winners of this morning's airplane contest are **Jeff Wilson** and **Tommy Wolf**. Jeff was clearly the first prize winner while Tommy gave him a run for his money and came in second.



## ***The Party of the Year—So Far***

The **Annual Holiday Party**, hosted by **Torsten and Tineke Jacobsen**, was a perfect way to start 2020. It was a great turnout and lots of fun. For only \$10 per person, a delicious buffet was served. Thanks to **Barbara Reifschneider** being born on the same day as the party—many moon ago, of course--we celebrated her birthday with a humongous cake. The photos below show the cake, the **White Elephant** entertainment part of the festivities in progress led by **Ken Nishimori**, and a few photos that capture the fun.



*...and A Good Time was had by All*





## A MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Hello, 2020. District-wide, membership is UP, which is fantastic! In November, we transferred the planned \$50,000 from our Global Grant funds to Polio Plus, resulting in a \$300,000 cash donation to Rotary's Polio eradication efforts!

Remember my goal of 50 new Paul Harris Society members this year? As of today, SIXTY-EIGHT have agreed to sign up. That's amazing! Our Passport to Adventure District Conference website has launched: [www.PassporttoAdventure5160.com](http://www.PassporttoAdventure5160.com). Check it out.

My Club Governor Visits are almost done. I continue to be overwhelmed by just how much our Rotarians are doing in our District. So Happy New Year to you all and know that I'm proud to be a part of this District. Let's celebrate our accomplishments, because we are doing an awesome job!

*I love you all to the moon and back,*

*Tina*

District Governor



## MASTER CLASS



The Rotary Foundation recognized Rotarians who contribute to the part of Rotary International that receives and disburses funds directed to increasing world understanding and peace. It is done through the Paul Harris program. Here's how it works: Those who contribute a minimum of \$100 per year are recognized as **Sustaining Members**. When their contributions total \$1,000 they are recognized as **Paul Harris Fellows** and are presented with a certificate, a special pin and a medallion. Becoming a Paul Harris Fellow, however, is a milestone, not a destination, and asks members who become Paul Harris Fellows to continue contributing to the program. When the contribution reaches \$10,000 they are recognized as **Major Donors**. **Irene Davids-Blair** and **Fred Nelson** reached that milestone and Rotary Foundation Director **Ken Nishimori** announced this accomplishment at the Holiday Party. He presented them with a diamond studded pin and a beautiful crystal objet d'art.

# MILESTONES

## January 2020 Birthdays

January is a busy month for birthdays. Here are the members who grew a year older this month



**Rich Lueck**, born on the 29<sup>th</sup> was Past President, is a Paul Harris Fellow, and was Rotarian of the Year.

**Bob Hooy**, born on the 6<sup>th</sup> is a Paul Harris Fellow and Past President.

**Barbara Reifschneider** born on the 10<sup>th</sup> is a Paul Harris Fellow and was the Club's first female President.

**Vicki Sexton**, born on the 23<sup>rd</sup> is our current Treasurer, a Paul Harris Fellow, and President-elect.

**Bob Sundberg**, the 7<sup>th</sup> was a Past President, is a Paul Harris Fellow and will be the 2020/21 SSA.

## Length of Service

Check out these dedicated members and how long they serve:



**Bob Sundberg** is a past president, a Paul Harris Fellow, and a 17-year member. **Renee Rushworth** hit her second year of service, is the Charitable Fund Treasurer, and the 2018/19 Rotarian of the year.

**Irene Davids-Blair** celebrates 12-years of service, was a Past President, Rotarian of the Year, and is a member of the Paul Harris Society. **Steve Weir** is a 24-year member, the Secretary of the Charitable Fund, and a member of the Paul Harris Society. **Dave Kemnitz** marks 11-years, was a Past President, Rotarian of the Year, Member of the Paul Harris Society, and the force behind Clunkers4Charity.

**Frank Westphall** was Rotarian of the year and is now a 16-year member. **Torsten Jacobsen** also hit his 16<sup>th</sup> year, was a Rotarian of the Year, and is a Paul Harris Society member. **Joan D'Onofrio** reached her 6<sup>th</sup> year, is a Paul Harris Fellow, and the Newsletter Editor.

# NEWS FROM SAN FELIPE



**Tina Sweeney** reported that each year the scholarship program has an essay contest. This year's question was: "If you could change one thing in San Felipe, what would it be and how would you accomplish it?"

The scholarship student **Clayton** and **Carol Worsdell** sponsored is **Melissa M. Guzman Romo** who won third place and was awarded 200 pesos.

## THE ESSAY

Hello, my name is Melissa M. Guzmán Romo and I'm a student of the COBACH San Felipe in group 534, this time I come to propose you in a simpler way how to create a better future for the port. First, the garbage, unfortunately when it rains it floods easily because sewers are clogged with trash, so, if we fix that simple detail the port would no longer have to pay for flood repairs. Second, a page on some social network, the internet is moving the world and if we don't move with it it will leave us behind, a page where San Felipe is promoted is a very good idea, that all important events be published for more people to come, because it is true, before our economic income was fishing, now it is tourism and that we must put effort so that revenues rise and thus have a better economic and social development. Another important point is the lack of work, many people migrate because they do not get a job or are not given the opportunity because they have no experience, we need more open minds, people who are really willing to work, to get ahead for his family and for himself. Without ports there are no civilizations and something ideal would be to consume less energy, less fossil fuels, because they directly affect the environment of our port.

One way to attract tourists would be to open an aquarium, that kind of thing people like, but something unfortunate is that we are very lazy beings, if we see that someone does something for the port we load his hand, a clear example is Mr. Martin Romo, a great example to follow, every day he does something for the port and without having to ask him, more people like this need to make this work, because tomorrow I'm graduated and with my university degree I want to come to San Felipe and tell everyone proud that I grew up here and that it will always be my beautiful port.

## THE WINNER



**MELISSA M. GUZMAN ROMO**

## THE PROUD SPONSORS



**CLAYTON AND CAROL WORSDELL**



# HAPPY BUCKS



**Frank Westphall** told us that his wife, **Barbara**, had her Prius side-swiped so guess what? He went out and bought her a new Tesla. Lucky that Clayton was on hand to snap this photo.

**Jeff Wilson** is doing another closing. This one takes place February 7. Keep up the great work Mr. Real-Estate-Agent-of-the-Year.



**Tommy Wolf** is the man to see if you have migraines.



Yikes, it's nothing but bad news for **Julia Dawson**. Seems her oven locked on Thanksgiving Day, and she could not open the door. Good thing she had the temperature on 'warm' so it wasn't still cooking. GE is sending someone out next week to fix it. Huh? Then her glass shower door broke, and her dog ripped her red leather love seat to shreds.

**Miles Bell** thought we would believe him when he told us that he went two weeks and traveled 2100 hundred miles and not once swung a golf club. He went on a holiday trip with his son and his family, but we still find it hard to believe that he did it sans clubs.



# TODAY'S SPEAKER

## Their Passion Helps Them to Explore Their Potential

**Tommy Wolf** introduced today's speaker, **DAVID PINTADO**, the Representative from Mount Diablo High School and his team of students who are preparing for a future in healthcare through the **HOSA** program. They all took a turn speaking to us about HOSA which is the premier organization for student leaders pursuing careers in the healthcare industry. HOSA's two-fold mission is to promote career opportunities in the health care industry and to enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people. It is endorsed by the U.S. Department of Education, California Department of Education, the Health Science Education Division of the Association for Career and Technical Education, National Consortium for Health Science Education, the National Association of Secondary School Principals and over 50 other health-related partners and industry associations.



Through the HOSA Competitive Events Program, California members compete in teams or as individuals in over 45 different events related to all aspects of health care. HOSA is integrated into the Health Science Education curriculum to develop and recognize smart, dedicated, and passionate future health professionals.

- HOSA is one of California's six Career Technical Student organizations
- HOSA is the largest healthcare related student organization in America
- 100% of its mission and programs is on developing future health professionals and leaders.
- There are approximately 220,000 HOSA high school and college members.
- The U.S. Department of Education endorses HOSA with all state chapters
- HOSA offers over 60 healthcare industry endorsed competitive events;
- HOSA's Competitive Events Program includes four events designed for students with disabilities

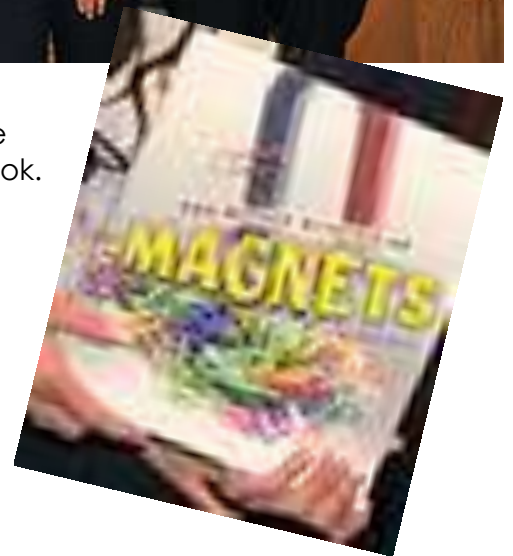




# Literacy Program



Sorry, but we didn't get the names of all the **HOSA Students** who were thrilled to be part of our Literacy Program and gleefully signed the book. This is the programs that we are exceedingly proud of because all of our guest speakers sign each book after their presentations and then donate them to the Clayton Public Library. This one is titled *Magnets*.



# THE GALLERY



Leave it to Clayton Worsdell to capture such an interesting photo. Believe it or not, the sculpture is a real bike rack.



# LAST LAUGHS

## ROBERY IN WASHINGTON DC

In Washington D.C., late one night, a mugger wearing a ski mask jumped into a path of a well-dressed man and stuck a gun in his ribs.

"Give me your money!!!" he demanded.

Indignant, the affluent man replied, "You can't do this – I am a United States congressman!

"In that case," replied the mugger, "give me MY money!!!"

## YOU MUST BE BILLY'S MOM



*Hi, Mrs. Jones, I'd know you anywhere from little Billy's portraits of you.*

**OUCH**



This morning my daughter said her ears hurt. I said on the inside or outside. So, she walks out the front door, comes back in and says both. Moments like this got me wondering if I'm saving too much for college.

### **WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY?**

I'm getting old and still have so many unanswered questions. For example I still don't know the following:

Who let the dogs out?

Where's the beef?

How to get to Sesame Street?

Why Dora doesn't just use Google Maps?

Why do all flavors of fruit loops taste exactly the same?

How many licks does it take to get to the center of a tootsie pop?

Why are eggs packaged in a flimsy carton, but batteries are secured in plastic that's tough as nails?

Why is "abbreviated" is such a long word?

Why is there a D in 'fridge' but not in refrigerator?

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor yet dish-washing liquid is made with real lemons...

Why do they sterilize the needle for lethal injections?

Why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts?"

Why do The Alphabet Song and Twinkle Twinkle Little Star have the same tune and why did you just try to sing those two previous songs

Just what exactly is Victoria's secret?

Where is Waldo?

Finally, can you hear me now?



# THE BLONDE HUNTER

A group of friends went deer hunting and paired off in twos for the day.

That night, one of the hunters, who happened to be blonde, returned alone, staggering under the weight of an eight point buck.

"Where's Henry, one of the camp mates asked."

"Henry had a stroke of some kind. He's a couple of miles back up the trail," said the blonde.

"You left Henry laying out there and carried the deer back!?!"

"A tough call that's for sure," nodded the hunter, "but I figured no one is going to steal Henry!"

*. . . That's all folks.*