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Zoom



# CLIFFORD DOCHTERMAN THE TITAN OF ROTARY

1925 - 2021



## "REAL HAPPINESS IS HELPING OTHERS"

Cliff started writing and collecting short articles about Rotary and publishing them in the North Stockton Rotary Club's weekly bulletin so their members would have access to interesting facts about Rotary and inspirational messages. When Cliff became President of Rotary International 1992-93, he collected and published all the articles he wrote and turned them into two books "The ABCs of Rotary" and "As I Was Saying..." that are given to all new members throughout the world as they become Rotarians. The books have been translated in 20 languages and is updated periodically. They are guides intended for all Rotarians to follow and embrace the colorful history of their organization, its customs, traditions, and current status of its global programs.

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## THE THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: *Barbara Reifschneider*



*"Should you ever find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, jealousy, lies and insecurities, don't be mad. Remember, things could be worse. You could be one of them."*

### The Four Way Test



Of all the things we think, say and do:

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIP?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## ZOOMING IN



HERB



TORSTEN



JULIA



HUGH



CLAYTON

# VERY SAD NEWS

**District Governor Kathy Suvia** sadly reported that, "Rotary International lost a hero and a legend and our district lost a really good friend. I am sad to share with you that our dear Cliff Dochterman passed away early Tuesday morning, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. He lived a long and wonderful life, giving so much to Rotary and the world. Those of you, who were privileged to know him, know how he touched us all with his humor and his leadership. Those of you who have only heard so many stories about him, I want you to know that they are all true – and so much more."

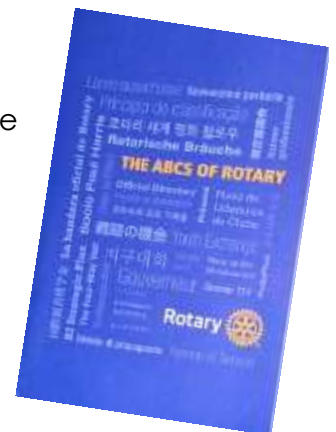
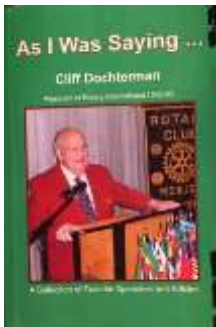
## CLIFFORD L. DOCHTERMAN 1925 - 2021



Cliff Dochterman is best known for his volunteer work for Rotary International and has served in almost every Rotary assignment in the world -- from Berkeley Rotary club president, to District Governor, to Rotary International Director, RI Vice President, Trustee of The Rotary Foundation, and the world President of Rotary International 1992-93.

In fact, Cliff has served on more Rotary committees and talked to more Rotary Clubs than anyone in the world, so it's hard to believe that he was initially rejected from the Berkeley Rotary Club. At the time, he was a young University of California administrator and assistant to the UC President who finally gained acceptance into the Berkeley Rotary Club after a third nomination. Is it any surprise that shortly after joining, he became the club's President, then went on to become the local District Governor, and member of various international committees.

He is the author of two books, "The ABC's of Rotary" and "As I was Saying" which has been translated into twenty languages. When he was President of Rotary International, he selected the theme "Real Happiness Is Helping Others," traveled the world many times, and has been honored by heads of state of dozens of countries for spreading goodwill and world understanding. He was one of the pioneers of the PolioPlus program that has immunized billions of children around the world and raised millions of dollars for refugees during the Yugoslav Wars.



Cliff is the recipient of the George Washington Honor Medal of The Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge for his contributions to the American way of life. He has served as president of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the San Joaquin County Parks and Recreation Commission. He also has had a long association with the Boy Scouts of America, and received three of the Scouts' highest awards and honors: Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope and Distinguished Eagle. He received honorary degrees from many universities for his humanitarian work throughout the world, and is credited for helping Rotary International realize its potential as a global philanthropic and service organization.

## SHARED THOUGHTS ABOUT OUR DEAR FRIEND CLIFF



**DG Kathy Suvia** sent this message: "My fellow Rotarians, by now you all know of the passing of RI Past President, Cliff Dochterman. I'd like to share with you my personal story about him.

*As a newly elected DGND, I was encouraged to visit Cliff as a part of my learning. I was a bit intimidated; I had met him only once, but I had been inspired by his speeches many times. Would he even know who I was? But I called, and as soon as I said my name, he responded, "Hello, Kathy, how are you enjoying your journey to becoming District Governor? Why don't you come for lunch?" So, we set a date and made plans to meet. Then, I worried about what I might say to someone with his life experience. (I can hear a few of our PDG's chuckling now!)*

*Conversation seems easier with three people, so to bolster my confidence I asked **Tina Akins**, DGE at the time, to join us. We had lunch with Cliff on a lovely June afternoon in 2019. My concerns vanished within the first few minutes. Cliff was gracious and curious about what we were learning and what plans we had for the district. He shared some of his most memorable club visits as DG in the 1960's ...including riding a donkey into Weaverville! We talked nonstop for nearly three hours. It's a special memory that I will treasure forever."*

**President Monica Fraga** read this old Chinese proverb taken from Cliff's book "As I was saying..."

If you want happiness for an hour—take a nap  
If you want happiness for a day—go fishing  
If you want happiness for a week—take a vacation  
If you want happiness for a month—get married  
But if you want happiness for all your life—it will come only by  
helping others.





# TODAY'S SPEAKER

**IVV is dedicated to bringing sight and eye care to the underserved in the world.**

**Program Chair Miles Bell** introduced us to today's speaker, **Dr. Yenjean Hwang**, an infectious disease specialist in Orinda who is affiliated with multiple hospitals in the area, including Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Oakland and Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Berkeley. As an Infectious disease specialist, she deals with a broad array of diseases caused by germs, ranging from the flu, to hospital acquired infections, to pneumonia. She received her medical degree from University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine and has been in practice for more than 20 years.

Dr. Yenjean talked to us about her work and association with the International Vision Volunteers Zimba Eye Clinic. International Vision Volunteers (IVV) was founded 27 years ago by Dr. James "Bud" Tysinger who devoted his life to providing high quality eye care in Africa. Rotary grants raised \$140,000 that made it possible to build a freestanding eye clinic with a modern operating room adjacent to the already existing Zimba Mission Hospital. Every year, hundreds of surgeries are performed and thousands of patients receive care. Volunteer ophthalmologists, nurses, operating room techs, optometrists and other eye-care professionals pay their own travel expenses to hold eye camps four to six times a year to provide care. In the early 2000s, IVV opened one of the only public libraries in southern Zambia with the containers used to ship over operating room equipment. Many Rotarians from our district clubs have been involved with IVV both here in this country and visiting the clinic in Zambia.



## ABOUT THE SPEAKER

**Dr. Yenjean Hwang** received her BA from Stanford University and studied medicine at The University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine. She did her Residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Utah Medical Center and a Fellowship at the Infectious Diseases at the University of Utah Medical Center. In her private practice she is with Diablo Infectious Diseases, Orinda Medical Group, Bay Infectious Diseases Medical group, and ABIM Certification Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. She holds positions with

Brown and Toland and serves on their Board of Directors as well as the E-Tools and Peer Review Committees. She is married to Dr. Ivan P. Hwang and has three children: Alexander (21), William (18), Nicholas (15), and Charlie (11). In her free time, she enjoys reading, travel, and swimming.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS **TIS THE SEASON**

## **NEXT WEEK'S MEETING: IT'S AT BOB'S HOUSE**

**President Monica** announced that Instead of a regular Thursday meeting at CentreConcord, packaging of the boxes will take place at the November 9th meeting at **SAA Bob Sundberg's** house. This a community service project and will be held at our regular Thursday 7 am meeting—yes, 7am. It is estimated that each completely filled box will cost **\$55** to fill and that includes gift cards. Please show up at the meeting and help fill the boxes. Bob lives at 104 Regency Drive, Clayton.

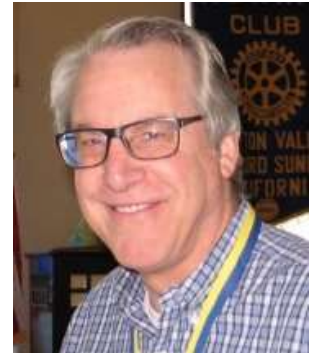


## **BOB HOOY'S ANNUAL HELP FOR THE FOOD BANK**

Hello Rotary Family,

We are now well on our way to helping the needy through our Monument Crisis Center food box drive. Please support the program. I am.

It's also time to help feed the hungry in our community by giving to the **Food Bank**. For more than 30 years, our Club has given generously to the Food Bank in the holiday season. This year the need is probably greater than ever. The Food bank squeezes the most of your gift. Each dollar given turns into two meals, and 96 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to support food programs.



So, it's time to virtually pass the hat. As we did last year, your donations will be matched up to \$2,000. Our Charitable Fund voted unanimously to match Club member gifts up to \$1,000. My law firm will do the same. Please give generously. I would hate to have matching funds go unused.

To give, please send me an email with your gift amount. Your checks must be payable to the "Food Bank" or make your donation to our Charitable Fund with a notation that the gift is for the Food Bank. My address is: Hooy & Hooy 3125 Clayton Rd, Concord, CA 94519 phone 925 798-0458.

The Charitable Fund donations can be sent to our Club's mailbox: Clayton Valley Concord Sunrise Rotary, PO Box 4, Clayton, CA 94517

Last year and without any contribution from our Charitable Fund, our Club gave \$5,675 to the Food Bank. I would like to give at least that much this year. Please give generously. I know that you will because our Club of proud Rosarians always answers the call.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Happy Holidays.

# PAUL HARRIS AWARDS



Rotary Foundation Chair **Ken Nishimori** presented Paul Harris Society member, **Russ Anderson**, with his Paul Harris+7 ruby encrusted pin. **Past President Irene Davids-Blair** donated her points to **Club Services Chair Barbara Reifschneider**, making her a Paul Harris+1. Congrats.

# OH WHAT A NIGHT

**Friday Night Live** was a blast. Great turnout and fantastic food covered the table. Honorary members **Carol Wolfe** and **Lois Nelson** were on hand.

**Barbara** and **Mark Reifschneider** hosted and were grateful that **Carol Bowen Worsdell** and **Joan D'Onofrio** kept **Merry**, there rambunctious cat, totally entertained.



CAROL, MERRY, JOAN

Let Barbara know if you will host the next party.

# UGANDA

**Herbert Muyinga** reported that **Deb Luyiima** wasn't present this morning because she was busy supervising the staff as they prepare to open. She was busy out in village where she was supervising the building of a security wall around the entire clinic area and at that same point there was an excavator / tractor examining the access road to the clinic. She also had to commission the procurement of pending furniture to be delivered to the Clinic



These tasks were so committal and taking them on, as you can imagine (for a lady), to handle, but we can truly trust Deb to get the job done.

Herb was on zoom with us this morning from Pennsylvania. Yes, he was here in the USA for business and to visit with his children and will be off to Canada before heading home to join Deb and all the work that needs to be done.



**Toloui: Dawn Breakers.**

**Sadjed: One who prostrates to show humility, respect, and devotion to God**



# SAN FELIPE

**Tina Sweeney**, Scholarship Coordinator, and **Anna McCourt**, Youth Development Chairperson of the Rotary Club of San Felipe sent us this letter:

Dear Sponsors,

We would like to take the time on this special day to tell you how thankful we are for your continued support of the San Felipe Rotary Club's Scholarship program and to also update you on what is happening in our schools.

This has been another unusual year. Due to continued COVID mandates here a majority of our students are still engaged in online learning. We recently spoke with the Director (Principal) of our largest high school, and he tells us that they are hoping to be back to in person learning next semester which begins in February. Our two smaller high schools are using a mix of online and small group in person learning.

The first quarter reports were recently posted and most of our students continue to do well. The few students that were below 8.0 have received letters letting them know the importance of improving their grades. The semester grades will be posted in January and at that time they will be emailed to you.

Due to generous donations from our sponsors, The Rotary Club of San Felipe, local residents and Canadian Solar Company (who donated 67 computers) we have been able to distribute over 160 new and refurbished computers to needy students.

Sadly, due to COVID mandates we were not able to have our annual scholarship social in November so on November 13<sup>th</sup> we handed out backpacks filled with needed school supplies to over 170 scholarship students. Since we could only have 20 students in a 15-minute block it made for a LONG DAY, but it was nice to see all of our students again. If you have any questions or concerns, please send an email to [bajatinas@gmail.com](mailto:bajatinas@gmail.com)

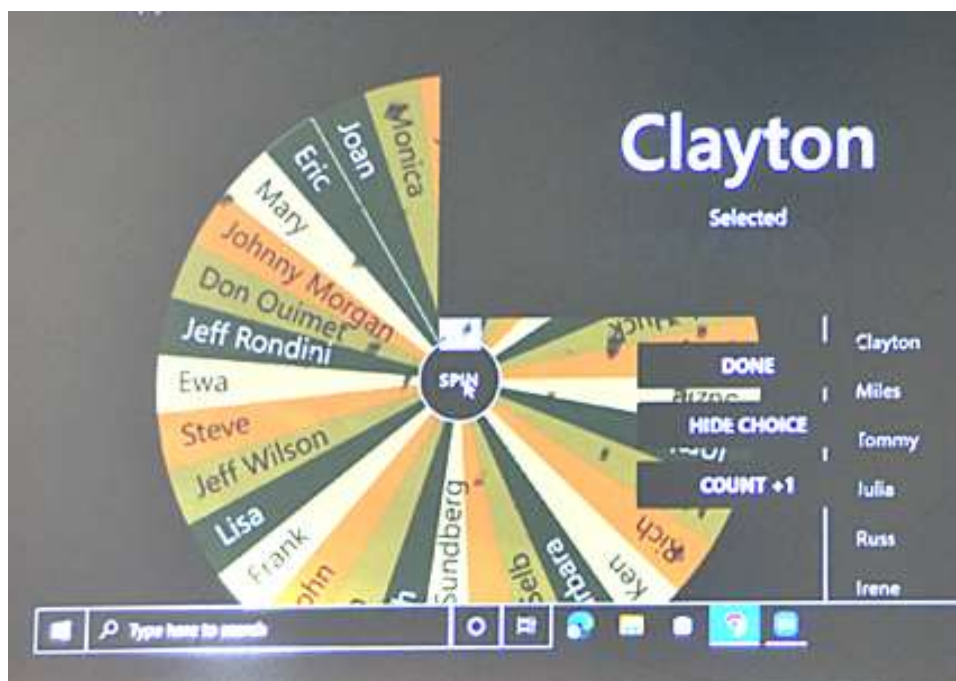
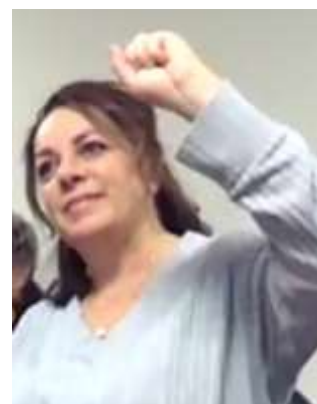
Tina Sweeney  
Scholarship Coordinator

Anna McCourt  
Youth Development Chairperson

# THE RAFFLE



**Mary Kemnitz** spun the wheel and **Monica Fraga** cheered when the wheel landed on **Clayton Worsdell's** name.



Clayton won a bottle of red wine. Remember, you gotta be in it to win it. So be sure to attend the in-person meetings.



# THE GALLERY

“From a tiny acorn,  
the mighty Oak forms.”



Photo taken by Clayton Worsdell in  
honor of Cliff Dochterman.



Bird of Paradise  
Queen of the indoor plant world.

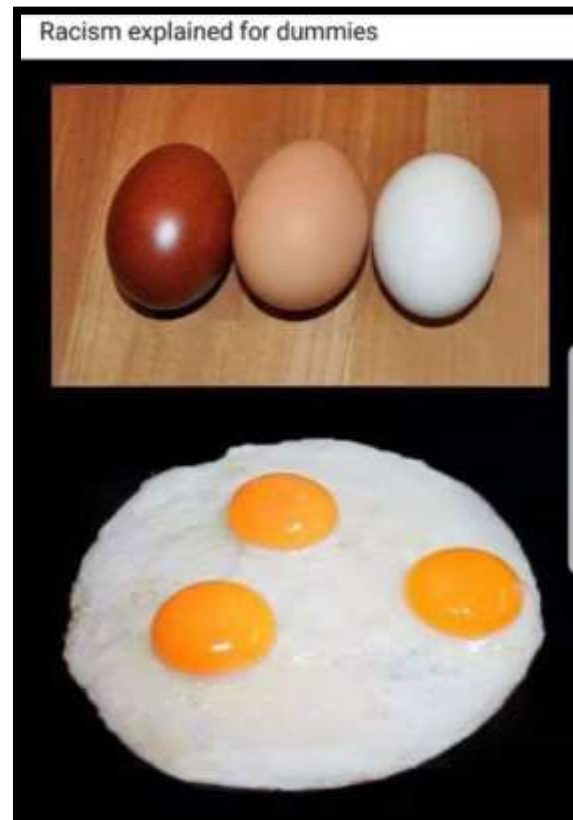


This beauty is sent to us by Bo Morse  
from the Australia Rotary Club/

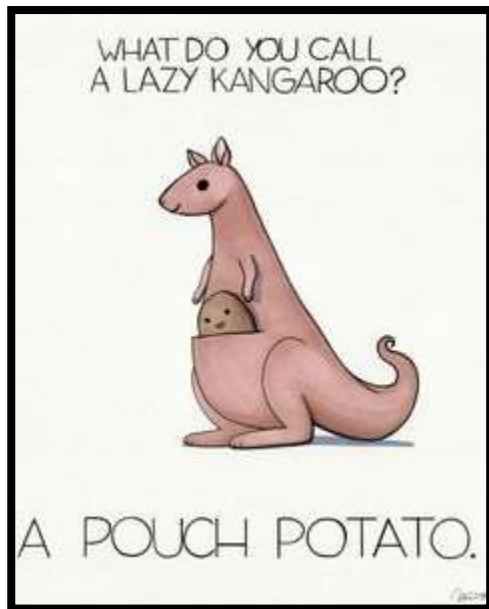


# ALWAYS LEAVE 'EM LAUGHING

Bill Selb, Editor



# PLAY ON WORDS



## HOW TO BUY A HORSE

Little Larry attended a horse auction with his father. He watched as his father moved from horse to horse, running his hands up and down the horse's legs and rump.

After a few minutes Larry asked, "Dad, why are you doing that?"

His father replied, "because when I'm buying horses, I have to make sure that they are healthy and in good shape before I buy one."

Larry, looking worried, said, "Well, Dad, I think the FedEx guy wants to buy Mom."

## I NEED MONEY

A kid called up his mom from his college and asked her for some money because he ran out of it.

Mom said, "Sure, sweetie. I'll send you some money. You also left your calculus book here when you visited two weeks ago. Do you want me to send that up too?"

"Uh, oh yeah, OK," responded the kid.

So Mom wrapped the book along with the checks up in a package, kissed Dad goodbye, and went to the post office to mail the money and the book.

When she got back, Dad asked, "Well, how much did you give the boy this time?"

Mom said, "Oh, I wrote two checks, one for \$20, and the other for \$1,000."

"That's \$1,020," yelled Dad, "Are you crazy???"

"Don't worry hon," Mom said, as she kissed Dad on the top of his bald head, "I taped the \$20 check to the cover of his book, but I put the \$1,000 one somewhere between the pages in Chapter 29."

Some People  
Should Use a  
Glue Stick  
Instead of  
Chapstick



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*...That's all, folks.*