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## IMPORTANT MEETINGS 2020

6/8/21 Board Meeting 7 AM  
Zoom  
8/12/21 Charitable Fund 5:30 PM  
Zoom



# SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

## YOUTH SERVICES MONTH



DANIELA LUCERO



MARISELA CARDÁ

In honor of May Youth Services Month, our club awarded \$500 scholarships to two outstanding art students. **Marisela Carda**, Clayton Valley High, will major in Computer Animation and Game Development at USC Chico. **Daniela Lucero**, Concord High School, will study Architecture at the Academy of Art University.

Most of us are familiar with the reference to the "Twelve Days of Christmas" but did you know about the "Eleven Months of Rotary?" Rotary has identified a theme for each month except July because July is the first month of the Rotary year when the annual theme kicks in. This year's theme is "Rotary Opens Opportunities" and the month of May is **Youth Services Month**. The monthly themes are intended to highlight the wide range of Rotary's good work and give clubs some suggestions and guidance for their programs and activities.

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# FINALLY, AN IN-PERSON MEETING



**Yes, that's our Ritchie.** He just graduated from CVCH and wanted to do one more thing for the Rotary club and the members he grew up with before he leaves for Texas and takes up his adventures working on an oil rig.



## THURSDAY AFTERNOON LIVE

Our first in-person get together turned out to be a version of Friday Night Live. **President Vicki** thought it would be a good time to meet in person to see the playground equipment that our club is planning to replace through a Rotary grant. So instead of meeting at 7 am, she thought, why not meet at noon in the park and have a BBQ. How right she was. It was the most fun we have had in a long time.



Vicki and Bob Sundberg went to Costco, and in one quick trip, bought all the food, beverages and essential utensils. They met up with Monica and Liz. While Ritchie got the barbeque coals started, the team set up the tables.



**HAIL, HAIL THE GANGS ALL HERE**



**EMILY, BILL, ERIC, BILL KINSEY, MAX, IRENE, CAROL**



**FLOR, JOAN, BARBARA, JOHN, BOB HOOY, LIZ, STEVE**





LARRY, RITCHIE, MONICA, BEN, BOB, DON



BILL (TABLE HOPING), RICH, LOIS, PHYLLIS, KEN, SUZANNE, CHET





**MONICA RECEIVED HER PETS POSTER**



**FORMER MAYOR HOFFMEISTER STOPPED BY**





# IT WAS INDEED A THUMBS UP EVENT





# VIRTUAL HAPPY BUCKS

Everyone was happy today, and no one will be charged for their happiness.

**Don Ouimet** is happy that his doctor said he can get rid of his Cain.



**Lois Nelson** is happily traveling all over the place. She just returned from Red Bluff and is now off to Tahoe.

**Bob Sundberg** is happy as his step-daughter just had a baby. He's a Grandpa again.

**John Hemm** said he is not happy, he's gay and thrilled with his new eye and chin lift..



**Irene Davids-Blair** is happy that she didn't have to go back to work today.

**Mayor Laura Hoffmeister** is very happy that the playground equipment is being modernized.

**Suzanne Bragdon**, our future District Governor, is happy to be meeting all of us.



**Carol Worsdell, Suzy Lim, Flor Toloui, and Emily Selb** are all just plain happy

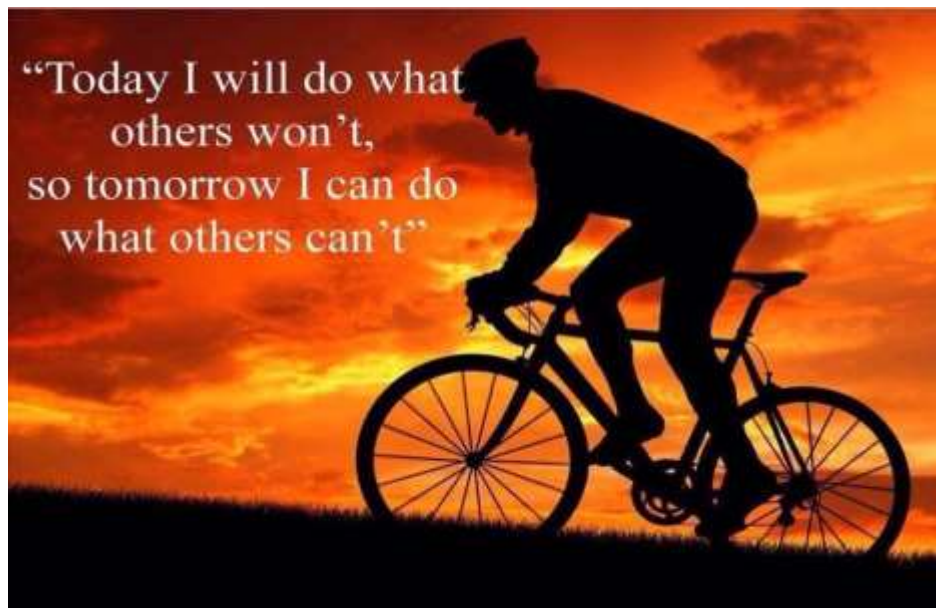


# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**President Vicki** only made two announcements during our BBQ. One was about the grant we are applying for to replace the playground equipment in the park where we gathered, and the second was that there was food left over and we should all help ourselves.

And, believe it or not, we actually had one **Milestone** and a **Thought of the Day** thanks to **Rich Lueck**.



## MILESTONE

### *Happy Anniversary Jeff and Yvonne*



**Jeff Wilson**, our real estate agent extraordinaire, and **Yvonne**, a physical therapist at the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center in Martinez, are celebrated their 13<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on May 31<sup>st</sup>. they got married in 2008, but started dating in 2002. Jeff met Yvonne on the Cross Country and Track and Field Teams at UC Davis and proposed to her on the top of Mission Peak in Fremont. They married at the North Tahoe Conference Center in Kings Beach, CA, essentially right on the lake and honeymooned in Cancun. They have two beautiful daughters, Elise and Isla. Ellie turns eight on the 17<sup>th</sup> of May (the day after Yvonne's birthday) and Isla is five.



# THIS IS WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT

The playground sure needs our help. **President Vicki** is preparing a grant so our Rotary will bring new, modern, and safe, equipment to the Clayton Community Park.





# MEET OUR SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

**Marisela Carda's** art consists of cartoon fantasy creatures and animals. It ranges from full illustrations, to concept art, and short animations, all of which are digitally created. With her \$500 scholarship, awarded to her by our club, Clayton Valley/Concord Rotary and the Michelangelo Arts Foundation she will attend CSU Chico, major in Computer Animation and Game Development, and pursue a career that involves her passion in art.

*Marisela said, "Art has allowed me to express myself in the most creative ways. I've created characters that I could relate to and several stories that feature each one of them. Art also helped me realize that I love creating content for others to enjoy, so I post most of my work on social media."*

She lives in Concord with her parents and younger brother.



**MARISELA CARDA**  
**CLAYTON VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

**Daniela Lucero** came to the USA three years ago when she was 15-years-old from El Salvador, and during the summer of 2020, she had the opportunity to attend the Academy of Art University's pre-college program where she took interior design and photography classes. It was there that her decision to pursue a career in Interior Design was sealed. With her \$500 Scholarship awarded to her by our Clayton Valley/Concord Rotary and the Michelangelo Arts Foundation, she will attend the Academy and major in Architecture and Interior Design.

*"A career in interior design is perfect for me," Daniela said, "because I know I will be able to be myself. I will have the opportunity to bring out my creativity, my passion, give and receive ideas, be organized, and detail oriented. I will also be able to develop more of my ability to communicate with people, develop projects, observe, solve problems, be open to the opinions of people, and the space to create from the depths of my imagination."*

Daniela lives in Bay Point and has an older brother and younger sister.



**DANIELA LUCERO**  
**CONCORD HIGH**



# BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Here is the life of a night blooming cactus known as the Pipe Organ cactus. This is what it looked like in the afternoon.



**2:30 PM**



**Voila!**



**At sunset it bloomed.**

**Oh, no!**



**...and the next day it was all gone.**



# “ALWAYS LEAVE ‘EM LAUGHING”

Compiled & Edited by Bill Selb

Just bought a log cabin home from Ikea



Two hillbillies were sipping shine on the front porch when a truck went past loaded up with rolls of sod.

"I'm a-gonna do that when I win that there lottery," announced hillbilly #1.

"Do wut?" asked hillbilly #2.

"Send my lawn out to git mowed."



## THE ELEVATOR

An Amish boy and his father were visiting a mall. They were amazed by almost everything they saw, but especially by two shiny, silver walls that could move apart and back together again.

The boy asked, "What is this, Father?"

The father responded, "Son, I have never seen anything like this in my life, I don't know what it is."

While the boy and his father were watching with amazement, an old lady in a wheel chair rolled up to the moving walls and pressed a button. The walls opened and the lady rolled between them into a small room. The walls closed and the boy and his father watched the small circular numbers above the walls light up sequentially.

They continued to watch until it reached the last number and then as these numbers began to light in reverse order. The walls opened up again and a beautiful 24 year old woman stepped out.

The father, not taking his eyes off the young woman, yelled to his son, "Go get your Mother"



*... That's all folks.*



