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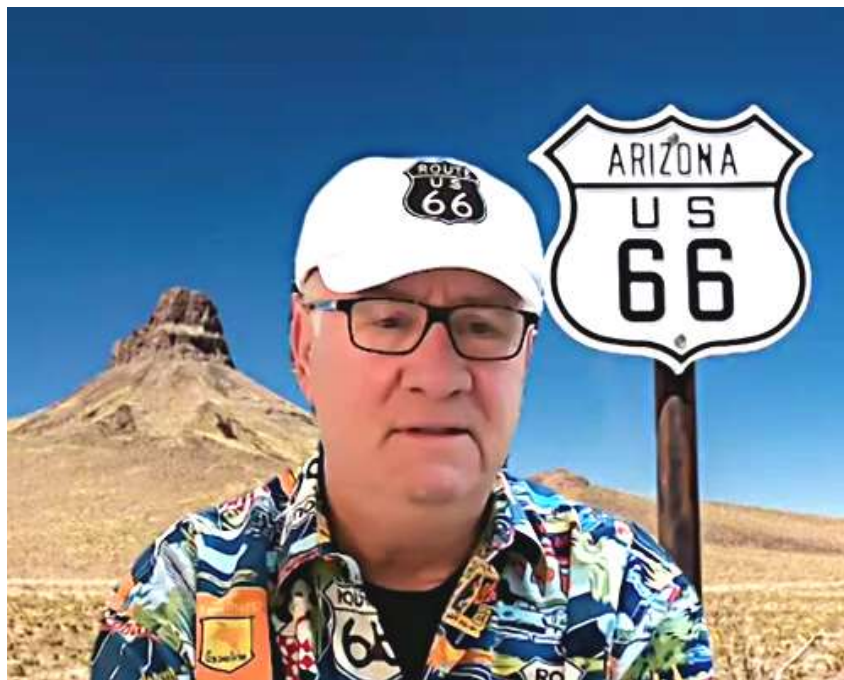
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3/8/22 Board Meeting 7 AM  
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4/13/22 Charitable Fund 5:30 PM  
Zoom



## GET YOUR KICKS ON ROUTE 66



**HAYS ENGLEHART**  
**Today's Speaker**

The romance of Route 66 continues to captivate people around the world. Starting in Chicago and ending in Los Angeles, "over two thousand miles all the way" this legendary old road passes through the heart of the United States on a diagonal trip that takes in some of the country's most archetypal roadside scenes. If you're looking for great displays of neon signs, rusty middle-of-nowhere truck stops, or kitschy Americana, do as the song says and "get your kicks on Route 66."

Mostly we know "Route 66," as a TV drama that aired from 1960 to 1964 about two young men who wander America in a Corvette and it was a popular song recorded by Nat King Cole titled "Get Your Kicks on Route 66." But thanks to **Hays Englehart's** presentation this morning, we learned many interesting facts about that highway.

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## TODAY'S **THOUGHT**: *Bob Huck*



I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy.

I woke and I saw that life is all service.

I served and I saw that service is joy.

Special Olympics Moto:

Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in  
the attempt.

## Four-Way **TEST**: *Ken Nishimori*



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?

# TODAY'S **SPEAKER**

## **ROUTE 66: THE MOTHER ROAD**



**Program Chair Miles Bell** introduced us to **Hays Englehart** who is the Founder and Director of the Rotary HOME Team's community service program that assists seniors with their ability to stay in their own homes by providing much needed simple home, trailer, or apartment maintenance. Bet you didn't know that Hays got that program started.

But today Hays had a truly fun-filled presentation. This morning he regaled us with his adventures and photos of that ultimate road trip, that he and his cousin took on "the Mother Road" or **Route 66**.

Here are a few things you may not know about Route 66. John Steinbeck wrote about it in his 1939 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel "The Grapes of Wrath." He devoted a chapter to Route 66, which he dubbed "The Mother Road," a nickname that stuck to this day.



After World War II, Eisenhower wanted to build an interstate highway system that would be beneficial for military defense operations as well as for the nation's economic growth. Hence, Interstate 40 was born, but it replaced a large segment of Route 66 that was decommissioned in 1985. However, a variety of non-profit groups were formed to help preserve the historic highway and much of Route 66 remains drivable today, as we learned today in Hays's interesting presentation.

In 1928, runners traversed the length of Route 66 as part of a coast-to-coast, 3,400-mile marathon from Los Angeles to New York. It was nicknamed the Bunion Derby. Of the 199 men who began the 84-day race, only 55 finished it. In fact, a 20-year-old Oklahoman, who was part Cherokee, took home the \$25,000 grand prize.

Here are just a few of the photos Hays showed us this morning:





Here they are, the route they took, and what they saw along the way.



## ABOUT THE SPEAKER

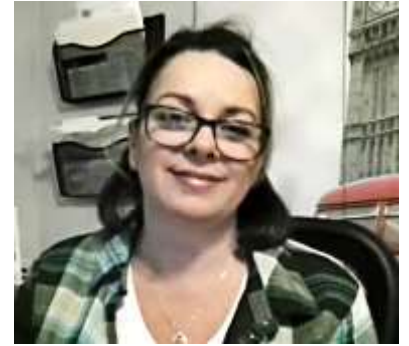
**Hays Englehart** joined Rotary in 1987 and was instrumental in his 35 years of service as an outstanding membership recruiter as he sponsored 10 members. He has been a member of Lamorinda Sunrise since 2008 and served as President in 2013/14. Before joining Lamorinda, he was a charter member of the Los Angeles Westside Sunrise and served as their President in 1989/90. He is a member of the Paul Harris Society, a Sustaining Member, a Benefactor, and a Major Donor. Hays recently retired from Laurus Financial Group, Inc., a multi-disciplined fee-based financial planning firm of which he was a founding partner.



# TODAY'S NEWS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Monica Fraga** reminded us that our 5160 **District Governor Kathy Suvia** will be our guest and speaker at next week's meeting, February 24.



## WINE RAFFLE: Update



**Chair Bill Selb** reminded us that we have 350 tickets to sell and lots of wine to collect. Russ Anderson is donating an entire case so **Treasurer Vicki Sexton** will pick it up. She also reported that 29 bottles have been collected and \$340 donated which is enough to buy another 17 bottles. BUT only 58 tickets have been sold, so come on guys, get out there and sell, sell, sell. If you have bottles to donate or cash to contribute, call Vicki and she will pick up the wine and money, or you can also make a monetary donation online at

[www.claytonvalleyrotary.org](http://www.claytonvalleyrotary.org). Try it, you'll like it. Only 24 days left to make this fundraiser a success.

## WALK/RUN FUNDRAISER: Update

Jeff Wilson happily reported that he met with the powers that be at County regarding security and other rules we need to observe. The date of the event has been reassigned to September or October.



## C2C: Exciting News

**Larry Hutchings** was thrilled to report that he managed to secure a spot and a table at the PETS program and hand out brochures of C2C. Just so happens that **Mary Kemnitz** will be attending PETS as part of her President-elect position. Mary was even happier to announce that they sold every single car on the lot that generated approximately \$20,000 and is happy to let us know that she has mastered the Sales Force program.

## MILESTONE



**IRENE DAVIDS-BLAIR** and **Max** are celebrating their 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary today (2/20/1988). Irene and Max met in Oakland and had their wedding in the Allen Temple Baptist Church, also in Oakland, where they are still members of the congregation. Their son **Jared Nelson Blair** was born on January 15, 1990. His middle name is in honor of Nelson Mandela who is Irene's hero. Irene joined Rotary in January 2008, was President in 2014-2015, Rotarian of the Year 2011, and is a member of the Paul Harris Society.



# HAPPY **BUCKS**



**VICKI SEXTON** had a happy buck one in honor of, her granddaughter turning 4-years-old. Vicki was also happy that she got her taxes done on Tuesday.

**JEFF WILSON** gave six happy bucks as his daughter celebrated her sixth birthday—one dollar for each year.

**MERI KEMNITZ** gave a happy 10 bucks as her son celebrated his 27th birthday. Meri and Dave took their son and his girlfriend to La veranda for dinner but when they got there they discovered it had a fire and was closed, They were all disappointed but made the best of it and went to Celia's in Antioch instead where they had a wonderful time celebrating.



**BILL SELB** had a happy five bucks as he and his wonderful wife Emily celebrated three days in Monterey. While Bill and Emily were in Monterey they watched the Super Bowl in their room drinking champagne.

**LARRY HUTCHINGS** gave a happy five bucks for the beautiful day he and Dennis spent in San Francisco where they had a great lunch and celebrated the beautiful weather.



**MOLLY AVILEZ** gave 10 happy bucks as she celebrated Valentine's Day in the tradition she followed for years. She ate a heart shaped pizza from Papa Murphy's and sat on the floor to eat it. Her boyfriend sat on the couch and ate his. Later on the next morning Molly woke up to mouse droppings on her bed and freaked out. Once she got the correct traps the mouse was captured and it only took 20 minutes.



**SUSIE LIM** gave a happy five bucks today. Apparently Susi had a flat tire on her RV so she took it to Dave and Mary's for help. After being at D&H they sent her to American Tire.



**ROYCE POWELL** was born a few weeks ago and is **Rich Lueck's** 18<sup>th</sup> grandchild (fourth great grandson) and knows that grandpa will give a happy buck for him.



# TODAY'S **RAFFLE**

**AND THE WINNERS ARE...Rich Lueck & Bob Sundberg**

Making up for being absent last week, **President Elect Mary Kemnitz** picked two winners both of whom had to answer the question of the day to claim their prize. Neither one, however, knew the answer to the question, so both bottles were donated to the Wine Raffle.



## **NEW RULE**

From now on, if your name is picked, you will have to answer a question to claim the prize. Study hard, everyone.



# THE GALLERY

Clayton Valley/Concord Sunrise  
Rotary 

## CHARITABLE *Wine Drawing*

DRAWING TO BE HELD ON  
**THURSDAY  
MARCH 17, 2022**

FEATURING:

- A LARGE SELECTION OF PREMIUM WINES
- GIFT BASKET
- RESTAURANT GIFT CERTIFICATES

FEATURING WINES FROM:  
**GRGICH HILLS, STAGS LEAP,  
SEGHESIO, BELLE GLOS,  
MUMM AND MORE**

COST ▶ **\$25.00 PER TICKET**  
MAXIMUM OF 350 TICKETS FOR SALE

PURPOSE ▶ **FUNDS FOR CLAYTON'S  
CHILDREN'S PARK**

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:  
**MARY KEMNITZ**  
**(925) 963-2924**





# LAST **LAUGH**

## **A ZOMBIE STORY**

An American lawyer invited a Czech friend to stay with him in his mountain cabin. Early in the morning, the lawyer and his Czech friend went out to pick berries for their morning breakfast. As they were picking blueberries, along came two large zombies – a male and a female.

The lawyer, seeing the two zombies, climbed a tree.

His friend wasn't so lucky and the male zombie caught him and ate him whole.

The lawyer drove his car into town as fast as he could to get a policeman.

The policeman took out his gun and ran to the berry patch with the lawyer.

Sure enough, the two zombies were still there. "He's in THAT one!" said the lawyer, pointing to the male zombie.

The policeman looked at the zombies, took careful aim with his gun, and shot the female zombie.

"What did you do that for!" shouted the lawyer, "I said he was in the other zombie!"

"Exactly," answered the policeman. "Would YOU believe a lawyer who told you the Czech was in the Male?"

# WISE WORDS

Compiled by Torsten Jacobsen

A relationship is like a gem-it requires friction to polish it.

Many people are willing to change, not because they see the light but because they feel the heat.

Trust eliminates fear.

You can only reason someone out of what they have been reasoned into. Not blind irrational belief.

Helping others is one of the best ways of ridding yourself of some of your own troubles

Politeness is the oil that keeps the machinery of relationships running smoothly

A relationship should be like a fishing trip. Keep the good stuff and throw the small stuff back.

The road to successful human relationships is always under construction.



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