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# LET'S GET STARTED

### TODAY'S SPEAKER: Toby Weiss

**Toby Weiss** serves as the Executive Director of Hope 680. Toby is also the CEO of a tech-startup: Rooted Software, as well as a husband, and father of four.

Originally from the UK, Toby has 16 years' experience in the non-profit and technology sectors. Toby has a heart to serve the Homeless, which he has been doing consistently in California since 2010. He created Hope680 in 2020 to expand the quality and quantity of faith-based ministry to the homeless right here in the 680 corridor.



### **2022 ROTARIANS OF THE MONTH...SO FAR**



### HOME TEAM: Adopt-A-Street New Schedule

Mark your calendars: **Kimberly Soibelman**, Code Enforcement Officer of the Concord Police Department, wants us to know that the 2023 Adopt-A-Street schedule has been finalized. Please note they have dropped the number of events from 4 to 2. The scheduled events for our club will be on Saturday, April 8, 2023, and Saturday, October 7, 2023.



### GRANTS: John Wenzel Reporting



Is your club considering a District or Global Grant in 2023? The 2023 District and Global Grants Day is your chance to learn about the process and discuss successful previous projects. You will hear from representatives of the District Grants Committee, Global Grants experts, and prior grants awardees from throughout District 5160.

Each club that wants to apply for a District Grant needs **at least one person** in attendance; however, it is strongly encouraged that the person who will be completing the grant and the President-Elect attend the training. Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - 1/28/23.

### POLIO: Eradicate polio once and for all

We believe 2022, will go down as a year of 'contrasts', in the global effort to eradicate polio. On the one hand, we saw polio re-emerge in places such as New York and London, in south-east Africa, and an increase in new cases in Pakistan. But on the other hand, 2022 saw perhaps some of the most significant and important progress that we have ever seen. This is setting up the global effort for a unique opportunity for success in 2023 and success is clearly in our hands. Thanks to your individual efforts, you have brought the world on the threshold of being polio-free. Your efforts have saved children from lifelong paralysis and have saved lives. As a member of the PolioPlus Society you pledged to contribute \$100 or more each year. Have you made your donation yet for this Rotary year? Remember, each dollar donated is critical in helping us reach our \$50 million goal to take advantage of the Gates 2 for 1 match, thus raising our money to \$150 million.

### SAN FELIPE: Scholarships Start Now

**Rich Lueck** and **Clayton Worsdell** are once again putting together the Grace Kutchy 2023 scholarship program. They noted that last year's 2022 program supported 52 students who have to pay to attend high school. Sign up now.

### GUATEMALA: Stove Team International

We are invited to join members of the Lamorinda Sunrise and Vista Hermosa Rotary Clubs on a trip to Guatemala from March 25 to April 1 during which you will witness the installation of concrete floors and safe and efficient stoves in the homes of 50 families in two villages an hour west of Antigua. You will meet the families, visit Mayan ruins, spend time in the UNESCO World Heritage Site city of Antigua, the Spanish colonial capital of Central America in the 16th Century, and socialize with Rotarians from the Vista Hermosa Club at a dinner at the home of a Past District Governor of District 4250. Contact Skip McCowan at jackbmccowan@gmail.com and tell him you want to go!

### HAPPY BUCKS: Barbara Reifschneider

**Molly Avilez** had a happy six bucks today. Molly's friend who was diagnosed with cancer has been going through a lot lately. Long story short since she has been diagnosed she is also at this point cancer free.



Jeff Wilson had a happy five bucks today. Apparently Jeff's house had a leak and since it's been reported, it has been touched up and fixed and they were back in the house before Christmas. Jeff also went skiing with his two daughters and they had a great time after skiing. Jeff and the rest of the family went to Disneyland. It was their first trip, and it was raining the whole time. A lot more memories to be had at Disneyland, it can only go up from

here! Jeff is also closing on an offer in Walnut Creek.

### HELP WANTED: Russ Needs You-Yes, You



**SAA Russ Anderson** has Lots of opportunities for all of you to help out at our club meetings and it's really easy.

**Set up and Take Down**: Arrive at 6:45, Hang banners, put tablecloths on tables, put bell and gavel on podium, put badge box on table. Put away after meeting.

**Thought for the Day**: We all have them. So let's hear them.

**Mystery Greeter**: Find out who in the club doesn't like to say, "good morning." If you would like to be the Mystery Greeter please let me know and don't "Reply All" when emailing back.

### AND THE WINNER IS...Ken hishimori

Today's winner of the \$10 Starbucks gift card is the one and only 43-year member **Ken Nishimori**.





# THEGALLERY

Vicki Sexton and John sent us these photos of their recent vacation in Yellowstone National Park. Brrrrr



## FUNSTUFF: Bill Gelb

### **REUNION**

A group of 15-year-old boys discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at the McDonald's next to Captain Jack's Seafood Grille because they only had six dollars among them, they could ride their bikes there, and Jennie Webster, that cute girl in Social Studies, lives on the same street and they might see her.

Ten years later, the group of now 25-year-old guys discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille because the beer was cheap, the bar had free snacks, the house band was good, there was no cover charge and there were lot of cute girls.

Ten years later, at 35 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was decided they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille because the booze was good, it was near their gym and, if they went late enough, there wouldn't be too many whiny little kids.

Ten years later, at 45, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille, because the martinis were big and the waitresses were tight pants.

Ten years later, now 55, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille, because the prices were reasonable, they have a nice wine list and fish is good for your cholesterol.

Ten years later, at 65 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille, because the lighting was good, and they have an early bird special.

Ten years later, at 75 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille, because the food was not too spicy, and the restaurant was handicapped-accessible.

Ten years later, at 85 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they would meet at Captain Jack's Seafood Grille because they had never been there before.



...that's all folks.