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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

2024 PAUL HARRIS FELLOW COMMUNITY AWARDS ***Honoring Bill Lane Doulos & Charmayne Mills Ealy***

Chair: Catherine Hany



The Rotary Club of Pasadena is pleased to announce its 2024 Paul Harris Fellow Community Awardees – Rev. Canon William (Bill) Lane Doulos and Charmayne Mills Ealy. Both Doulos and Mills Ealy are involved with humanitarian service programs and demonstrate active participation to help others. They exemplify the qualities and ideals of Rotary and have contributed to their community and world in a way that demonstrates that they share our motto “Service Above Self.” They

are active in community affairs and are known in the business community as individuals who follow the “Four-Way Test - Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?”

The Paul Harris Fellowship Award is one of the highest honors that Rotary can give to an individual. It recognizes a recipient who exemplifies the highest ideals of Rotary. The award also includes a donation of \$1,000 in the recipient's names to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, which supports Rotary's worldwide programs

Bill Lane Doulos

Doulos began his ministry among the poor and homeless in 1974 as executive director of Union Station, a Pasadena storefront hospitality center for the poor and homeless founded by clergy and volunteers from All Saints Church. He served there for 17 years, until 1991. He later was director of Housing Ministry at Church of Our Saviour, San Gabriel, and its Jubilee Transitional Housing sober-living homes for people in recovery from addiction. In 2002 he donated his financial interest in four sober living homes to the Church of Our Saviour in San Gabriel. These homes now form the core of the ministry of Jubilee Homes, which provides housing and relevant social services in Pasadena and Altadena to 50 men and women in recovery from addiction. Ordained a vocational deacon by the

Diocese of Los Angeles in 2014, Doulos is the author of “The Radical Disciple,” “The Cotton Patch Parables of Liberation,” “Hearts of Fire,” “Journey to the Fourth Dimension,” and “A Journey of Compassion: Letters From a Street Minister.” Doulos retired after 50 years of service to the church and poor in July 2023, when he turned 80 years old. He then volunteered to manage one of the Jubilee Homes, the Raymond House in Pasadena, which he had purchased in the mid-1980s as the first of the Jubilee Homes.

Charmayne Mills Ealy

Mills Ealy has been committed to elevating the quality of life and well-being for underserved people in the community, and in particular, youth. She has purposefully served on Boards and Committees so that she could set policy, attract funders and increase her awareness of community needs. Mills Ealy is an effective communicator and an advocate for the underserved. Currently, she is the Director of Operations for STEAMCODERS, a non-profit organization that teaches underserved and unrepresented students the fundamentals of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM). STEAMCODERS started in 2014 and has served over 70,000 students in the Greater Los Angeles Area, the San Gabriel Valley, Florida, New York, Georgia, and Dakar, Senegal. STEAMCODERS educates, inspires and equips students with the knowledge, resources, and skills needed to pursue academic and career opportunities in the highly competitive STEAM-related fields.

Mills Ealy is a former Assistant United States Trustee – Central District of California (U.S. Depart. of Justice). She currently serves on the following boards: The Pasadena City College Foundation, Pasadena Altadena Community Endowment Fund, Pasadena Delta Foundation, the Pasadena Child Health Foundation, and the California African American Museum.

WEDNESDAY – June 12, 2024

UNIVERSITY CLUB - 12:00 pm

175 N. Oakland Ave, Pasadena 91101

RSVP Deadline: 4:00 pm MONDAY

OVERFLOW PARKING: Pasadena Heritage Blinn House

Enter parking off Madison Ave. - Do not park in any reserved parking space

Reception: Jane Waas & Alan Schier aka Badge Master

Lunchtime Pianist: Ann Louise Christensen

Song Leader: Don Andruess with Ann Louise Christensen

Inspiration: Gui Bittencourt

Scoot Zone Reporter: May Lou Byrne

Photographer: Tammy Silver

Technical: Frank Fish & Scott Carlson & Robert Lyons

Sergeant At Arms: Robert Lyons

Non-members are welcome - \$45.00 includes lunch

ZOOM is back and opens at 12:15 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86515101523?pwd=dHhNZnV5c2ZqbzNQbWthbDNhYTladz09>

Meeting ID: 865 1510 1523. - Passcode: 667356

Future Flash

By President Justene Adamec



The *NY Times* had an article on the eradication of polio. It's worth a read. In the original version, they only mentioned a few of the members of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, leaving out one of the Founding members, Rotary International.

GPEI has a weekly report on polio and the efforts to fight it. In the week ending May 29, there was one new wild polio case in Pakistan. We are tantalizingly close to eradication.

There are a couple of other interesting stats - vaccine derived strands of polio continue to infect. 14 in that week in several countries. They are working on a new vaccine, using mRNA techniques, that will eliminate those cases too. Vaccine derived strains are much weaker but in under-immunized communities, it can spread and mutate into a form that causes paralysis. Keeping up immunization rates, even with the current vaccines is critical.

There is also environmental monitoring for polio, for example in sewer systems. If the virus is detected, additional immunizations are necessary in the area. The report includes results of those efforts

The fight isn't over but we are in the endgame.

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The Scoot Zone

By Staff Reporter Dean Billman

Photographers: Tammy Silver & Matt Bookman

“Never send a human to do a robot’s job,” said our speaker today, JPL’s Brandon Rodriguez, from the seagoing research ship EU Nautilus off the shore of British Columbia heading to the hydrothermal vents deep in the ocean. He feels that the future of space exploration might be from our ocean experience.

President Justene rang the Rotary Bell at 12:30pm and introduced **PP Phil Miles** for our introductory song, a Beatles favorite, Octopus’ Garden, accompanied by Ann Louise Christensen on piano and the Rotary Chorus: **PP Mary Lou Byrne, Eric Olsen, and Don Andruess**, and we sang what seemed like all five verses.

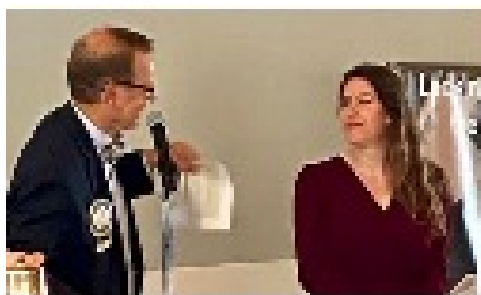
Tyros member **Alex Oscoco** gave us a reflection on “a third place”, meaning that we have our home and our work places, but research has shown that if we have a third place to go, which relaxes the mind and invigorates the senses, that people may live happier lives and maybe live longer – and that he observes that Pasadena Rotary, with our activities and friendship, may be just that “third place” for us. We applauded his fellowship.



PP Mary Lou Byrne asked for a moment of silence to reflect on the life of a past member, **Elaine Silberman**, a Rotarian, and wife of **PP Shel Capeloto**. She and Shel initiated the Union Station Adopt-a-meal program, and Elaine was a key member of the Toys for Tots and Rotary Readers committees. Elaine had a long and distinguished career as an educator and psychotherapist, holding a master's degree and two doctorates in the field of psychology. PP Mary Lou rang the Rotary Bell for Elaine.

Introducing our newest members:

- **PP Cory Brendel** welcomed **Morgan Nadeau** to our club, saying that her extensive education and degrees in gerontology and Alzheimer studies makes her the best choice to be with CAPS, Community Assistance Program for Pasadena. She was excited to be induced to be inducted and looks forward to joining us and our good works.
- **Tyros Alex Oscoco** introduced a new member to our after-hours Impact Club (our after-hours Rotary Club for daytime workers who want to join and make a difference). We welcomed **Jared Wick**, who specializes in market data research and strategies. He is a father to a three-year-old, an Arizona native and Pepperdine grad.
- **President Justene** introduced his newest corporate alternate member, **Vivian Kambe**, a development manager for Pasadena Community Foundation. She is also looking forward to joining us in do-good activities in the community.



HAPPY 30 YEAR ROTAVERSARY TO PAST PRESIDENT JOHN FOULKES!

Guests:

- **Tyros member Nel Varenas** introduced Sandy Roscoe
- **Pushpa Nagaraj** introduced her friend and a potential member, Viji Savangapaul
- **Tyros member Alex Oscoco**, going for three times with the microphone, "like a previous Rotary President", introduced his friend Jay Martin.

Announcements (which were after our speaker was finished):

- **IMPACT Club member Amanda Pumilia** announced that the Impact Club is organizing a back-to-school backpack project
- **PP Mary Lou Byrne**, honorary producer of Jelly's Last Roll at the Pasadena Playhouse, offers 25% discount on the show, and save June 12th for our Pasadena Rotarian Night at the Playhouse. Use code ROTARY25 on the top righthand side of the web site before you enter the date you would like to attend
- **PP Mary Lou** also called us to Save the Date for Demotion on June 26th. Rotary Players are still

being recruited – join the fun!

Tammy Silver then started our program right away, as our guest was floating offshore in a research vessel a thousand miles north via a Zoom link, and we welcomed Brandon Rodriguez, of JPL's Education Department. Brandon was a corporate chemistry research scientist working on bioplastics for several years, then spent eight years teaching chemistry and physics before taking his current role of taking part in research studies at JPL and creating curriculum for K-12 educators. He seemed at ease as he told us what he does for a living and taking questions from our audience, not dissimilar than addressing curious high school and college students about life and research at the forefront of technology and science – we Rotarians are life-long learners!



The E/U Nautilus is a famous research ship, built by Robert Ballard, the explorer who found the Titanic ship and other breakthrough discoveries. It has a 20-year role in doing research all over the ocean, and we learned that the summer will be tasked with projects that all share the cost of the expedition. The ship has a large research control room, looking like a space launch command center, which is not unusual when you think that space exploration and deep-sea exploration are similar pursuits.



Brandon is on the team that will drive Remote Operated Vehicles (ROV) over 2 kilometers deep, as only 15% of the earth's ocean, and he is excited with some of the programs he is on. He was on the JPL team that launched Perseverance ("Percy") to Mars, and acquainted with the Mars rover curiosity, which is still operating. He likened the two rovers, which do look alike, to his old Apple I-Phone 6 (we all laughed) to his corporate Apple I-Phone 14 – they look alike but the new phone is much more sophisticated. (Note: our table thought that

using I-Phones analogies was an ideal way to relate to high school kids these days). He did marvel that they included a helicopter on the Percy, and that new ingenious ways to add functionality to the rover and flexibility to explore.

Brandon said what excited him was new challenges and research, and that while he enjoyed the Mars rovers, "I'm over Mars" – when he asks students "who wants to fly to Mars" many hands are raised, but that the barriers are almost insurmountable, with fuel, food, radiation, and dangers, meaning it would be a one-way journey – "you won't come back." Meanwhile, we can send rovers for less cost, more research, and no risk.

He is excited about exploring Jupiter, as it has moons with water on them, and some interesting venting of vapor from cracks in the miles-deep ice covering the moons. He talked about the challenges of finding out some questions related to life on other planets, and how he thinks that the building blocks of life are formed from methane and carbon, like the super-heated gases being vented on our own ocean floor (which he will be studying on this expedition).

We were all curious about the deep-sea creatures he has seen, like the vampire octopus (sounds scary) to the blobby sponges, and he said that one animal looked like a dog chew toy – until it moved! He found the most interesting part of the job was seeing new things being researched and being surrounded by people in different scientific fields.

President Justene has fulfilled her pledge to bring us interesting STEM speakers this year, and these past few weeks of JPL speakers have been very interesting and make us all proud to be a Rotarian in the great city of Pasadena.



L2R: Allison Burgos, Dede Venkat, Anthony Russo, Sandy Goodenough, President Justene, Amanda Pumilia, Jared Wick, Alex Oscoco, Parker Haywood, Jay Martin



Check In with our dedicated Reception Committee - Jane Waas & Alan Schier

DEADLINE TO RSVP: Mon - 4:00 pm
office@pasadenarotary.com

**CLICK HERE TO
RSVP TODAY**

BUFFET MEAL PROVIDED BY
Chef Tony, The University Club

Caesar Salad with Croutons and
 Parmesan Cheese
 Santa Maria Tri-Tip of Beef
 Chimichurri, Horseradish Cream and Pico
 de Gallo (v)
 Roasted Cauliflower Florets and Carrots
 (v)
 Roasted Creamer Potatoes (v)
 Summer Squash and Asparagus (v)
 Chef's Choice Dessert

Indicate if you'll be dining as
 Vegetarian only

ROTARY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS



IMPACT CLUB MEMBERS attend Rotary lunch Wednesday
Amanda Pumilia, Jared Wick & Parker Haywood.

PASADENA ROTARY IMPACT CLUB

HAPPY HOUR + MIXER

THURSDAY, JUNE 6
6:00 - 7:30 PM

WILD PARROT
BREWING COMPANY

2302 E Colorado Blvd,
Pasadena, CA 91107

A photograph of three glasses of beer: a tall glass, a mug, and a shorter glass, all filled with golden beer and topped with white foam.

**Regular members are welcome to the Happy Hour & Mixer
if they bring a potential Impact Club member.**



Rotary Club of Pasadena

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

Join us as we bid a fond farewell to President Justene Adamec. This evening of good friends, good food and good cheer will begin at 6:00pm at the University Club of Pasadena.

More information to follow shortly.



The Demotion of PRESIDENT JUSTENE

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

Cocktails at 6:00pm - Dinner at 7:00pm - Light Entertainment at 8pm

POLIO PIG & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS AT WEDNESDAY MEETING

ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS MUST BE PRE-APPROVED!

Wish to "Show & Tell" us what you are up to or make an announcement (30 seconds) about your family, business or a favorite nonprofit or a Committee announcement? Email Wendy at office@pasadenarotary.com by Tues at noon. Minimum donation for Polio Pig Announcement: \$20 or for \$30+ which is billed to your account. Additional \$20 If you wish to leave flyers (in a stack on the table not individual) or a hand-out at end of meeting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Diana Peterson-More	June 11th
Hassan Kheradmandan	June 12th

ROTAVERSARY

Gwen Strong	6/8/22	2 Years
Mark Nicoletti	6/10/15	9 Years

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

June 19th - President Justene's Last Meeting

June 26th - DARK-No Meeting - DEMOTION PARTY TONIGHT!

July 3rd - President Stephen Smith's First Meeting

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