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This Week's Program

Dr. Dean Thompson

**Mentoring and Being Mentored: What I Learned and Taught
at Sing Sing Prison**

Introducer: Helen Baatz



"In the spring of 2019, forty master degree inmates at the Sing Sing maximum security correction facility in Ossining, New York, were studying my book, *Mentoring: Biblical, Theological, and Practical Perspectives*. They asked me to meet with their class and lead a one-half day seminar on mentoring. My time with the inmates was among the most inspiring experiences of my life journey."

Dean K. Thompson is President and Professor of Ministry Emeritus, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He received a Ph.D. in Church History from Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond Virginia., 1974. He received the D.D. from Centre College, 2005, and from Hanover College, 2007. He served as pastor in congregations in NC, NY, WV, TX and CA for more than thirty Years.

During his years of pastoral ministry, Thompson served as an adjunct professor at San Francisco Theological Seminary and Union Presbyterian Seminary; and as a visiting lecturer at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. His major vocational commitments have included justice and mercy activities such as civil rights and racial issues, and anti-war and anti-death penalty concerns. The state of West Virginia presented Thompson its Martin Luther King Jr. Award for civil rights leadership in 2004.

Thompson's published volumes include *Go Therefore: 150 Years of Presbyterians in Global Mission*; *Virginia Presbyterians in American Life*; *Essays on the History of the Household of Faith*; and *Mentoring: Biblical, Theological, and Practical Perspectives*, which is used widely in

seminars, classrooms, and congregations.

Thompson's book in progress is *Profiles in Prophetic Leadership*. Grounded in lectures given at the Chautauqua Institute, the work will examine the lives of five incontestably great 20th century visionaries: Mohandas K. Gandhi, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Pearl Buck, Reinhold Niebuhr and Martin Luther King Jr.

March 15th Meeting

12:00 pm - RECEPTION & LUNCH BY RSVP ONLY

PLEASE NOTE: Meeting with start at 12:15 pm

12:15-1:30 pm - Past President Mike Farrand Presiding

Song Leader: PP Cory Brendel

Inspiration: Gary Kearney

Scout Zone Reporter: Dean Billman

Photographer: Jonathan Edwards & Tammy Silver

Sergeant At Arms: Robert Lyons

Tech: Frank Fish

To attend LIVE - RSVP Below

Non-members are welcome - \$40.00 includes lunch

Or by the One-way "Zoomcast"

Zoom opens at 12:15 pm - Speaker at 1:00pm

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

Meeting ID: 865 1510 1523

Passcode: 667356

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IMAGINATION

By President Justene Adamec



Past President Mike Farrand (2010-2011) is taking the lectern and gavel this week. Mike is the Rotary International Foundation Chair for our club. During next week's meeting, Mike is handing out Paul Harris Fellow awards.

A PHF primer:

Paul Harris (pictured left) is the founder of Rotary International. He invited the first few members in Chicago in 1905. (They called it Rotary because meetings rotated between their offices.)

At the 1917 convention, Arch Klumpf announced the establishment of an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." The programs the Foundation supports range from Ambassadorial Scholarships, Matching Grants, PolioPlus and Rotary Peace Fellowships. The Foundation provides a portion of the funds for Pasadena's Global Grant project – Caring Little Hearts, which provides life-saving surgeries.

Paul Harris Fellow recognition is awarded to those who donate \$1000 to the Foundation or have \$1000 donated in their name. Every additional \$1000 gets an additional award. We have 60 of those awards to hand out.

The Club also has a bank of Paul Harris Fellow points, which accrue whenever the Club makes contributions not attributed to an individual. This year, we used some of those points to get members who are close to that \$1000 donation mark over the finish line. We can also use those points to award a Paul Harris Fellow as an honor to someone.

On the horizon:

Establishment of the Community Recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow award. Pasadena Rotary will honor a non-Rotarian who has made substantial contributions to the Pasadena Community. Pasadena Rotary will have a goal of being a **100% Foundation Giving Club**. This honor is given to clubs that achieve an average of \$100 in per capita giving and 100 percent participation, with every dues-paying member contributing at least \$25 to any or all of the following during the Rotary year: Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, approved global grants, or Endowment Fund. Many smaller clubs achieve this status. I am confident that Pasadena Rotary can achieve this goal.

Between the Paul Harris Fellow awards and the election of at-large members of the Nomination Committee, there's a lot of Club business on Wednesday. **We'll be starting the meeting 15 minutes early so we don't take away from the speaker's time.**

The Scoot Zone

By Past President Mary Lou Byrne, Bureau Chief

Photos by Hillary Schenk and Tammy Silver



Past President Phil Miles (2017-2018) called the meeting to order at noon and turned things over to **Eric Olson**, who led us in a rousing chorus of You're a Grand Old Flag, accompanied by Music Committee Co-Chair **Don Andruess** on guitar. **Past President Mary Lou Byrne** gave the inspiration on the topic of leadership, including this from novelist Antoine de Saint-Exupéry: "If you want to build a ship, don't drum up the men to gather wood, divide the work, and give orders. Instead, teach them to yearn for the vast and endless sea."



After **Phil** explained that he was presiding over the meeting as part of our “Past Presidents Palooza” due to the loss of our president-elect right before the start of the Rotary year, he proceeded with announcements.

First, **Phil** himself told everyone to save the date for our Rotary District Conference, May 5-6 in lively Las Vegas. Details below.

PP Ken Joe announced the Business Alliance Committee is putting together a Networking Event at the Tap Bar at the Langham Hotel on March 29 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Details below.

PP Mary Lou Byrne had three announcements: (1) Next week we will vote for members at large for this year’s nominating committee, which will select the new members for next year’s club board of directors. Don’t miss it! (2) Our Club has volunteered to help the Pasadena Showcase House for the Arts with staffing the pre- and post-opening events. Our Club will get \$40 for every 4-hour shift covered by our members, and members can earn free tickets to the Showcase House by covering shifts. Contact **Mary Lou** at maloby@outlook.com for more information or to sign up. **Lisa Kroese** stepped up, right on the spot, to help Mary Lou coordinate this project. Thanks, Lisa! (3) **Mary Lou** contributed \$20 to the Polio Pig in honor of her husband **Gary Kearney**, who was celebrating his 17th Rotaversary that very day!!



John Burt contributed \$20 to the Polio Pig in honor of **Wende Lee’s** son, who has been accepted into the Master of Education program at UCLA. Congratulations to Wende and family!

Dean Billman contributed \$30 to the Polio Pig in honor of his wife **Karen Billman**, who is an interior designer working on a room for the above-mentioned Pasadena Showcase House.

Lisa Kroese contributed to the Polio Pig and announced that she had Girl Scout cookies available immediately, in the room! (“Except Raspberry Rally – they’re on eBay for \$100!”) The people at her lunch table had already taken advantage of the cookie sales and waved their boxes of cookies in the air in support!

Jeannine Bogaard donated to the Polio Pig and made two announcements: (1) The Pasadena Community Foundation just launched its grant cycle. If you know of a worthy cause that qualifies, urge them to apply here: <https://pasadenacf.org/grants/overview/> (2) "I just finished my 14th marathon, and running has taught me that with determination and commitment you can achieve anything!"

PP Mike Farrand, resplendent in a tie-dye t-shirt ("I'm turning 60 this year and the shirt is a tribute to that"), announced that he will be giving out 60, yes SIXTY, Paul Harris awards next week. If you are a Paul Harris Fellow, please wear your pin to next week's meeting!

Finally, **PP Diana Peterson-More** donated \$50 each to the Polio Pig for these two announcements (1) **Gary Kearney** and I both worked for Southern California Edison when today's speaker, Al Osbourne, was president of the company! (2) Today is International Women's Day!

Past President Phil then gave a synopsis of his career in Pasadena Rotary, which he joined on January 15, 1997 (the same day as **PP Mike Farrand**). He showed some slides of a copy of a Spokes newsletter from 1999 and **PP Diana Peterson-More** won a Keep Rotary Great hat (PP Phil's gift of choice during his presidential year) for identifying three Rotarians in the photos. **Jane Waas** also won a hat for being in five photos in the 1999 newsletter, and also for her 30-plus years of checking in members and guests at the door for our Wednesday meetings!



Next, **PP Phil** treated us to a slide show recapping his year as President, including his house remodel, his bike riding (including breaking his arm on a bike ride), his experience at PETS (President Elect Training Session), his trip with wife Shelley to the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, and the various good works done by the Club that year including Bikes for Christmas.

The clock was ticking but **PP Phil** remembered to get the guests introduced, most notably his wife Shelley Miles and Nancy Osborne, the wife of our speaker. **Howard Raff, Ericka Endrijones, Robert Earnest, and Jan Moscarel** also brought guests this week.



PP Phil introduced our speaker, Al Osborne, Emeritus Professor at UCLA's Anderson School of Management and co-director of its Corporate Governance Program. Al gave us a fascinating presentation about the importance of purpose, leadership, and culture in building enterprise. He talked about the various phases of growth of corporations, the crises these phases can cause, and the "humongous corporate failures" that can occur in the absence of adequate governance and oversight by boards of directors.

Bottom line: Directors have a duty of care and a duty of loyalty. If you can't do that (and/or if you're lazy), said Al, get off the board!

He also taught us some fun acronyms for board members: Remember to practice NIFO: "Noses in, fingers out." And, of course, beware of GIGO (garbage in, garbage out), and the dreaded GAGA (going along (to) get along).

It was a riveting program and nobody could believe it was already 1:40 when **PP Phil** rang the bell to adjourn the meeting!



L: Stephen Smith, PP Diana Peterson-More, Nancy Rahnasto Osborne, Shelley Miles, PP Phil Miles, Al Osborne, Tammy Silver, John Burt, Sandy Goodenough



Jeannine Bogaard & Jane Waas at Reception

Join Us Wednesday!

RSVP:

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**To attend the 3-15-23 meeting
RSVP by 5:00 pm MONDAY**

MENU:

- **Corned Beef Brisket** with Braised Cabbage and Creamer Potatoes
- **Beer Battered Fish and Chips** with Cabbage Slaw and House Tartar Sauce
- **Irish Pub Salad** – Butter lettuce, cucumbers, cherry tomatoes, beets, green beans, onions, Irish cheddar cheese, Dijon tarragon vinaigrette (v)

MEETING & EVENTS CALENDAR



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**33rd Annual Peace Conference
Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum
March 18, 2023**

Live Session—8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
18001 Yorba Linda Blvd, Yorba Linda, CA

Tickets: Contact Hussan Kheradmandan - hassank@sbcglobal.net



RYLA! RYLA! RYLA!

Seeking Facilitators

Co-chair Desiree Alvarado reaching out to membership to help provide an extraordinary experience for 200+ High School 10th and 11th graders at the **Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA)**, **March 24th - 26th 2023 at Cedar Crest Camp in Running Springs, CA.** You're invited to be a "facilitator" and help shape the leaders of tomorrow. Rotary Club of Pasadena is sponsoring 10 talented young people from local High Schools for this event organized by District 5300. Participants will go through an intense 3 day seminar to develop

leadership skills, increase their self-confidence, gain exposure to a variety of issues, improve career skills and knowledge and enjoy fellowship of other participants and facilitators

Contact: **Desiree Alvarado, Committee Co-Chair** desiree@pasadenapromos.com

Cocktail Networking Hour
You're Invited!

**Rotary Club of Pasadena
Business Alliance Committee**
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JOIN US!
Wed. 3/29/23
Langham Hotel Pasadena
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Private Tour: 4:00 pm

**2022-23
Annual Rotary District
5300 Conference**

May 5-6, 2023



Horseshoe Las Vegas
Horseshoe Las Vegas (formerly Bally's)

<https://district5300.org/>

POLIO PIG & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS AT WEDNESDAY MEETING

Wish to "Show & Tell" us what you are up to or make an announcement 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+ you receive a special sticker, 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.

7 Day Notice

Lynne Sullivan - Sponsors: Jeannine Bogaard & John Burt
Jonathan Stockton - Sponsor: Howard Raff

Happy Birthday!

John Cushman	March 10th
John McDannel	March 10th
Rob Fisher	March 14th

Happy Rotaversay!

Frank Waterman	3/10/10	13 Years
Cyrus Afshin	3/11/09	14 Years
David Covell	3/11/15	8 Years
Don Andruess	3/11/15	8 Years

Justene Adamec	3/11/15	8 Years
Nevino Rocco	3/16/22	1 Year

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 22nd - 4-Way Test Speech Contest - Chair: PP Mary Lou Byrne Co-Chairs: Michele Ferroni, Robert Lyons, J.P. Harris
March 29th - Dan Stover Music Contest - Co-Chairs: PP Ken Hill & Fred Findley
April 5th - Community Grants - Co-Chairs: PP Cathy Simms & Akila Gibbs
April 12th - Author Peter Dreier - Jackie Robinson
April 19, 2023 - Shelley Miles, CEO, Singleton Foundation for Literacy & Entrepreneurship
April 26, 2023 - Chuck Jones, General Manager, Jones Coffee Enterprise

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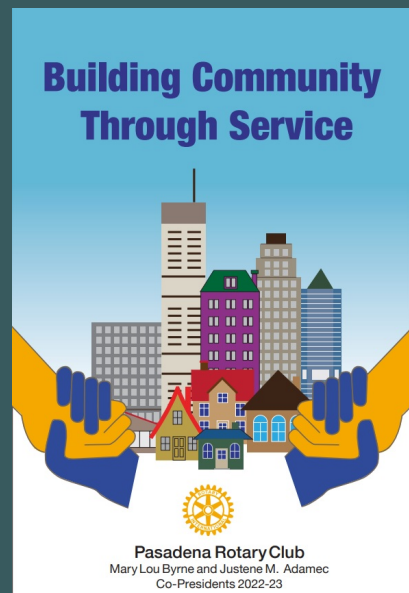
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The University Club Pasadena
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***MARCH BOARD MEETING DATE RESCHEDULED:
Will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month 3/16/23 at 5:00pm-University Club***

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