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Birthday



7/16/2024 Concord Rotary Club Newsletter

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Rotary Meeting Notes for 7/12/24



WELCOME TO CONCORD ROTARY

President Jim Kohl started his first meeting a few minutes early - eager to start his term as our fearless leader.

sue Greenfeld led the Pledge of Allegiance. Jorge Cordova recited the 4-Way test.

President Kohl introduced his family and friends in attendance - his Dad, sons, sister and brother-in-law. He gave a special shout-out to Al Kappadahl - his Rotary mentor.

Scott Singley introduced his friend - Tony Aribi (sp?) a retired banker; Rick Ernst introduced his wife, Dianne; Bill McQueen introduced his wife Teresa, and everyone was happy to see Past President Larry Sly in atte

President Kohl then introduced the Club's Board of Directors for 2024-2025.

Happy Bucks

- Wanda Waltman gave \$20 to celebrate no longer being Club President.
- Scott Singley gave \$5 in thanks for his guest Tony attending today.

 Nick Virgalitto gave \$5 to see his name in this weekly meeting recap.
- · Brad Prescott celebrated his 5 kids and their sailing in the Bahamas
- Larry Sly is happy for his 5 week-old grand-baby and that his daughter Caitlin is now the CEO of the Contra Costa/Solano Food Bank!
- Ron Leone's son has received his teaching credential and may be returning to the US from Taiwan.
- George Calhoun offered a \$1 in happiness to see Larry Sly in attendance
- Greg Grassi took an Alaskan cruise with his family and donated \$20.
 President Kohl donated \$100 towards his Paul Harris recognition.



Birthdays/Anniversaries

- Susan Cohen Grossman donated \$70 to recognize her birthday.
- Memory Woodard donated an undisclosed amount (\$1 per year) to celebrate her birthday.
 Elisabeth Andreason noted her and Melissa's anniversary will be August 1, and they will be hosting a concert in celebration watch your emails.

- President Kohl thanked everyone who attended and assisted with the Demotion Party and July 4th Pancake Breakfast.
- Rotary Night at the Ballpark July 20 Martinez Sturgeons game benefiting Rotacare Clinic. (@JoeDiMaggio Field in Martinez Rotary Means Business (RMB) will be Thursday, July 25 at Premier Kitchen, 3373 Mt. Diablo Blvd in Lafayette.

Speaker



President Kohl introduced our speaker - Anthony Trucks, CEO of Identity Shift.

Anthony played professional football, competed in American Ninja Warrior, and is now a motivational consultant, author, and speaker. He grew up in Contra Costa and spent his youth in foster can and succeeding through sheer determination. He relayed how you respond to the moments in life you hate the most and define your character and future. Don't be afraid to ask for help. Don't stop. A



Drawing Ron Leone had the lucky ticket but drew a white marble. Starbucks card. Pot grows.

Next Week's Speaker is Dawn Manley from the CC/Solano Food Bank.



On This Day July 16



• 622 Muslim Era begins - Muhammad begins flight from Mecca to Medina (Hijra)



• 1519 Public debate between Martin Luther and theologian Johann Eck at Pleissenburg Castle in Liepzig, during which Luther denies the divine right of the Pope



• 1661 1st banknotes in Europe are issued by Bank of Stockholm



• 1769 Father Junipero Serra founds Mission San Diego, the 1st mission in California



• 1945 1st test detonation of an atomic bomb, Trinity Site, Alamogordo, New Mexico as part of the US Manhattan Project





• 1969 Apollo 11 launched, carrying 1st men to land on Moon



• 2001 "Jurassic Park III", starring Sam Neill and William H. Macy, premieres in the US



Joke of the Day

Why did the AI go on a diet? It had too many bytes!



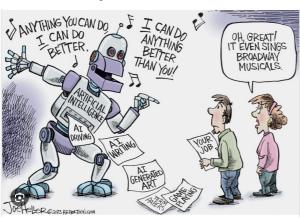
Thought of the Day

 $\hat{a} \in \&$ Success in creating AI would be the biggest event in human history. Unfortunately, it might also be the last, unless we learn how to avoid the risks. $\hat{a} \in A$

July 16th National Artificial Intelligence Day



Cartoon of the Day



Upcoming Speakers

August 2nd DG Dan Geraldi

Club Leaders

