

Rotary



Club of Concord

Birthdays

Parmod Kumar
September 28th
Leticia Almaro
Nicolini
September 29th
Barry J Gordon
September 30th
Nelson Meeks
October 6th
Nickolas
Peterson
October 9th
Gerald D.
Hoobler
October 10th
Howard Jenkins
October 17th



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9/19/23 Concord Rotary Club Newsletter

Meeting Notes: **Guy Bjerke**

Newsletter Editor: **Ron Leone**

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Rotary Meeting Notes for Sept 15, 2023

President **Wanda Waltman** opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Scott Singley led the Pledge and **Inge Yarborough** recited the 4-way Test.

Guests

Celia introduced her friend Kristin - a massage therapist in Pleasant Hill, and her Grandmother.



Happy Bucks & Birthdays

- **Inge Yarborough** has returned from a vacation to Europe - \$20.

- **Chris Moulis** celebrated his birthday and his return from a two-month vacation in Greece - \$100.
- **Brad Prescott** also celebrated his birthday and an upcoming vacation to Greece - \$100 to Paul Harris.
- **Scott Singley** expressed gratitude for his "artisan" bathroom remodel - \$10.
- **Major Gwyn** announced his son is principal, first trumpet with the San Jose State Orchestra.

Club and Wedding Anniversaries

They were noted, but none were in attendance.

Rotary Scholarship & Rotoract

Memory Woodard introduced Ivan Hernandez to receive his final \$1,000 scholarship installment. (We award \$4,000 scholarships - payable \$1,000 per year.). He has led the Diablo Valley Rotoract and served as Student Body President at Diablo Valley College. He will be heading to UC Santa Barbara to study Computer Science.



Memory also introduced Reda Aboukhalil as the incoming leader for DV Rotoract, and he outlined his ambitious goals for that club over the next year.

Events

David Litty reported on the success of last weekend's Latino Festival in Todos Santo Park. Concord Rotary is the non-profit beneficiary of the event, and we assisted with procuring the liquor license. A good first year turn-out and we expect to receive at least \$2,000 for club use once the accounting is finalized.

David also reminded the club that the next Rotary Means Business will be on the evening of September 28 at K Floors hosted by the Salvation Army.

The club was reminded that Councilmember Carlyn Obringer's September of Service project takes place tomorrow (Sept. 16) and volunteers are still needed.

Stephanie Prescott was asked to remind the club what the Lady Bug Project is all about. She explained the group assembles packets of "women's products" (author's description) for distribution to the poor, homeless and schools where availability is often limited.



Speaker

We heard from Sarah Bradford, the Recruitment & Outreach Director for Contra Costa County - Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA).

CASA volunteers advocate for youth in foster care who have no family or other adults to provide consistent connections and advocacy for their needs.

CASA has three main programs - advocacy, tutoring, and therapy to help foster young people with their issues until they are reunited with family or age out of the foster program. The program has a significantly positive impact on the high school graduation rates and future academic success of its participants.

They are funded by government programs, grants, and donations. They are holding a fundraising gala on October 21 at Boundary Oaks.

If interested in volunteering - visit cccocasa.org or email volunteer@cccocasa.org.

Drawing

Brad Prescott won the drawing - chose the wrong marble. Starbucks gift card.

Next week's speaker (9/22/23) - BART Board member Debra Allen.



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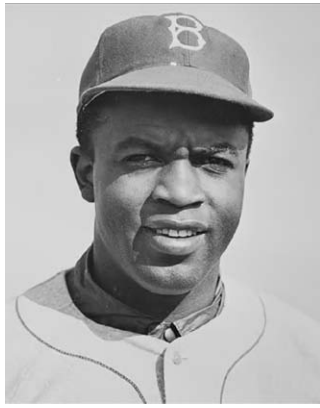
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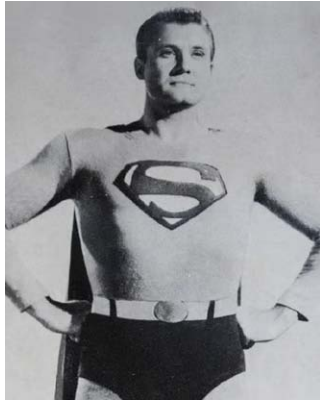
- *1796 George Washington's farewell address as US President is published*



- *1893 New Zealand becomes the first country to grant all women the right to vote*



- *1947 Jackie Robinson is named 1947 "Rookie of the Year"*



- *1952 "Adventures of Superman" TV series starring George Reeves premieres in syndication in the US*



- *1960 Chubby Checker's "The Twist" hits #1 on the Billboard Hot 100*



- *2004 NFL Oakland Raider wide receiver Jerry Rice ends NFL streak of 274 consecutive games with a reception in a 13-10 victory over Buffalo Bills*



- *2017 US President Donald Trump addresses the United Nations vowing to “totally destroy North Korea” if threatens the US*

Joke of the Day

Why did the egg hide?

It was a little chicken.

Thought of the Day

“Neither a wise man nor a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him.”

— Dwight D. Eisenhower

Cartoon of the Day



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