

Rotary



Club of Concord

Events

July 1st
**President
Memory's Wrap
Party**

Birthdays

Marcus Pierre
June 20th
Michael Scott
Hurd
June 21st
Bryan E. Keding
June 24th
Nicole Holody
Sullivan
July 4th
Alfred (Paul)
King Jr.
July 7th
Memory A.
Woodard
July 9th
Susan Cohen
Grossman
July 13th
Dave Litty
July 14th
Ronald Melvin
July 15th
Silvio Garaventa
July 18th



6/20/23 Concord Rotary Club Newsletter

Editor: **Ron Leone** Read below for what's going on at your club! Do you know how to add to this newsletter, our Concord Rotary Website or Facebook? Send articles and photos to **Guy Bjerke** <guybjerke@gmail.com>.

Rotary Meeting Notes for June 16, 2023

Meeting Notes: **Guy Bjerke**

WELCOME TO ROTARY

President **Memory Woodard** opened the meeting. **Ron Melvin** led the Pledge of Allegiance and **Chris Moulis** recited the Four Way Test.

Tom Wentling was in attendance and welcomed by everyone. Alana Le - a "special" scholarship recipient, was also in attendance and gave a brief talk about her academic career and thanked our club for supporting it.

Happy Bucks/Anniversaries

- **David Miller** (Judy) celebrated his 56th wedding anniversary by donating \$56 to the club.
- **Brad and Stephanie Prescott** are headed to Nova Scotia for a bike trip and meet their sons at the end of their hike along the Appalachian Trail.
- **Sil Garaventa** (Patty) celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary by taking a trip to Colorado Springs, CO AND he's proud his son Bob has a new job - \$100.
- **Paul King** has adopted a new kitten - \$5.
- **Scott Singley** thanked **Tom Wentling** for selling him his first Taylormade Driver - sometime in the last century - \$5.
- **Gene Voelkel** (Ginni) will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary on June 28th -



\$100 to a Paul Harris.

- **Luis Alkon** went to the Rotary International Conference in Melbourne, Australia last month - \$100.
- **Chris Moulis** paid \$5 for winning a crazy hat contest and somehow having **Memory** wind up with a photo of it.
- **Niki Sullivan** (Casey) celebrated her 26th wedding anniversary and a college graduation by donating \$50.
- **Chris Moulis** donated \$10 to celebrate ten years since his divorce.

Announcement & Events

Wanda Waltman presented two new scholarship awards for this Rotary year. Each scholarship is for a total of \$4,000 over four years. The recipients were Giselle Cuellar Coyac and Tori Abigail Pearson - who will return in future meetings with updates on their academic progress.



- The Club has donated \$1,500 to the Salvation Army Backpacks effort - to supply backpacks for students needing them.
- **Elisabeth Andreason** explained her email seeking donations of "slightly used" shoes for Soles 4 Souls. They collect shoes and send them to Haiti - where they are sold to support women's and children's programs and projects. She will collect them from club meetings and/or you can drop them off at her house.
- **Rita Corbinook** reminded all that the Demotion Party is on July 1 at **George & Manuela Calhoun's** home. Emails have been sent and registration is required.
- A clipboard was passed around seeking volunteer help on the 4th of July to serve pancakes in Todos Santos Park from around 8 am to 11 am. If you can help, please contact **Rita** or **Tina Akins**.
- District 5160 will be holding their "Academy" awards banquet on July 8 at the Elks Tower in Sacramento. A "party" bus for transportation is being arranged. If interested, contact **Memory**.



Speaker

The speaker today was Scott Thurmond, a consultant helping the City of Concord develop a Homeless Strategic Plan.

The Homeless Strategic Plan is also being guided by a Homeless Strategic Plan Advisory Committee appointed by the City Council. The City Council will be getting an update on the beginning steps of this planning process at their meeting on June 27. There have been two community outreach meetings to discuss issues around the unhoused in Concord and there will be several more later this year when the draft Strategic Plan is released for public review.

The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to assess what the current situation is and to identify gaps in services/solutions - what are best practices? The goal is to have a draft Strategic Plan for discussion and City Council adoption by this fall - September/October.

Last Tuesday, club member **David Litty** was appointed by the City Council to a seat on the Advisory Committee representing the business community.

Drawing

Stan Gaunt had the right ticket but pulled the wrong marble - gift card.

On This Day June 20



- ***1791 King Louis XVI and the French royal family are caught during an attempt to flee Paris during the French Revolution, severely undermining their credibility***



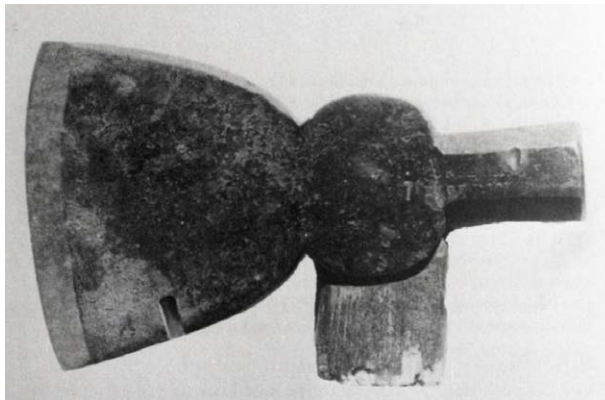
- ***1819 The SS Savannah reaches Cork in Ireland after a 29 day and 11 hour voyage from Savannah, Georgia to become the 1st steamship to cross the Atlantic or any other ocean***



- ***1840 Samuel Morse patents his telegraph***



- **1867 US President Andrew Johnson announces the Alaska Purchase**



- **1893 Lizzie Borden acquitted of the 1892 axe murders of her father and stepmother in Fall River, Massachusetts**



- **1945 U.S. Secretary of State Edward Stettinius Jr. approves transfer of German rocket scientist Wernher von Braun and his**

specialists to the US



- *1975 "Jaws", based on the book by Peter Benchley, directed by Steven Spielberg and starring Roy Scheider is released*

Joke of the Day

Why was the shark so funny?

He was fluent in shark-asm.

Thought of the Day

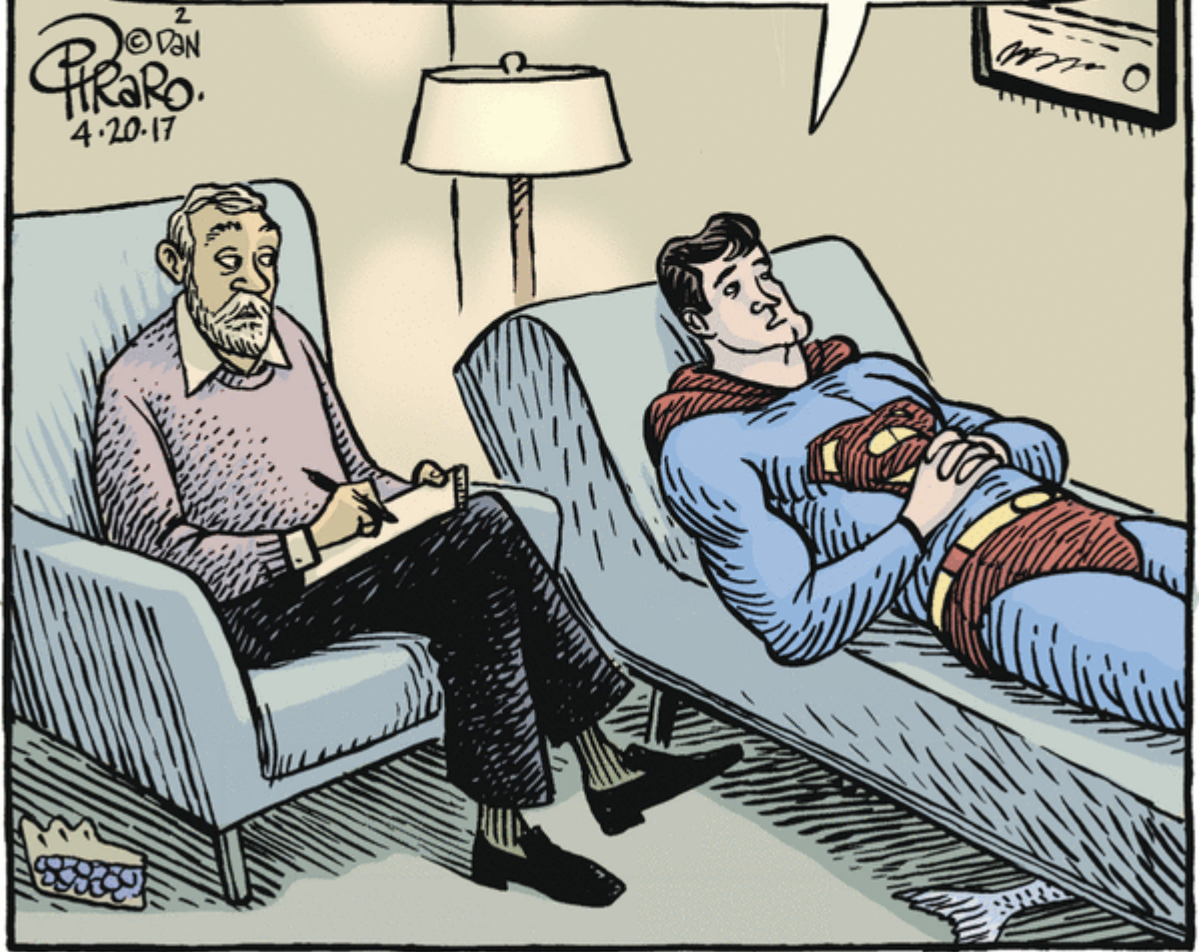
"When one man, for whatever reason, has the opportunity to lead an extraordinary life, he has no right to keep it to himself."

— Jacques Yves Cousteau

Cartoon of the Day

I've had the hots for this woman I know, Lois, for years, but my best friend, Clark Kent, is *also* in love with her and he'd never forgive me.

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Upcoming Speakers

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