

LAST WEEK

ANN LEONARD brought two leaders of Compact to address our club and explain how helpful it has been to high school students. The engagement with working adults greatly aids the students in learning about net-working, resume building, social and business etiquette, and how to handle “working a room” as well as knowing what to say. Service projects and scholarships are also part of the training. To further advance the process for us at the meeting, business cards were solicited and the 24 hour response rule was a clear mandate. The membership is now up to 60 students. In 1990 when it all began, it was a compact between Kiwanis, ROP and the Redlands school district. Designed at time for students who were not socially comfortable and were non-performing, it soon turned its object for existence on its head, and began to attract students who eagerly sought social advancement based on business acumen and social alacrity. BROWN specifically mentioned Rotarians MAUPIN, BARICH, WANER, OSBORN AND NAMAN and praised them for all their work in behalf of the students.

TODAY

Just as the FOURTH THURSDAY IS ALWAYS, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, HERE AND FOREVER MORE BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION*, SO IS THE FIFTH THURSDAY NOW AND FOREVER MORE “CRAFT TALK DAY.” In that spirit of accuracy and not reinvention, we extend a hearty welcome to our own SHARALYN HAMILTON, who will discuss her life, times and career.

NEXT WEEK

We welcome maestro RANSOM WILSON, the conductor newly appointed to the Redlands Symphony.

*Now to last week’s Rotary boys and girls birthday list, some of whom were not there but the cake was.....Celebrating the September Virgos, the sixth sign of the zodiac, is to celebrate individuals who are exacting, sometimes seen as picky and critical, but it is that attention to detail that makes for helping others. Included are DICK JONES(1), BARBARA O’KEEFE(4), CAROL SANSEVERO(5), LEROY HANSBERGER(12), JOE DANISZEWSKI and FELIX MARTIN(15), and KEITH KASIN(21). The September Libras, the seventh sign, are people generally peaceful and fair and dislike being alone. They include SEAN LUGO(27), JAN OPDYKE and NEAL WANER(30).

HEARD ON THE STREET....

When you round up more than 300 people for an orange grove dinner to support one of Redlands’s oldest social causes and charities, Family Service, then you have a right to bask in the moment of financial and moral success....so, KYRA STEWART, take a bow....Seeing JACK OSBORN’s list of recipients of Rotary International Graduate Overseas Scholarship 2001-2016, two items become readily apparent:

thank goodness the University of Redlands is located in our town, providing such capable and inspired students, and thank goodness JACK is the chair of the committee for recruitment and selection. Over the years many of us club presidents have rejoiced in the achievement of advancing a young scholar’s goals and enhancing their performance as contributing members of the world community. Sometimes it seems to some in the district that we have been too successful. No, it is a success shared by all who commit to the cause of Rotary worldwide....STEVE DAVIS and the Frist Congregational Church have committed to a new educational outreach...ask him about it.

A FINAL HISTORICAL THOUGHT....

When our club began in 1920 Rotary International, then only fifteen years old, articulated the central reasons to found a Rotary Club. They included the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; high ethical standards in business and professions; recognition of the “worthiness” of all useful occupations and their service to society; the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life; and the advancement of international understanding, good-will and peace. These tenets hold true to today.

When Rotary held its international conference in Los Angeles in June, 1922 Redlands played a conspicuous role. We hosted a hospitality suite in the Angelus Hotel where guests were entertained (it was Prohibition after all but who knows?, women received a Cecil Brunner rose with a green and yellow ribbon attached with the name “Redlands” printed thereon and as charter member Calder Bennett recalled, “We also served fresh orange juice to all at the convention.” We have a great past and our future contributions locally and to the world are illimitable.

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Thank you to fellow Board Member JOE HORZEN for stepping in for me today while I’m at a business conference I truly appreciate it!

A little more Rotary History:

- ***How much were annual dues at the first Rotary Club?*** There were no dues at the first Rotary Club. The group voted there would be no dues and all club expenses would be paid from 50-cent fines.
- ***For how long was Rotary primarily a friendship and business reciprocity organization?*** Only about two years; then the club added a third objective to perform civic service.

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