

Last week

In our final soiree of 2015 we celebrated the end of the first half of the Imperial Reign of Terror. In the spirit of Old Lang Syne and to get us in a reflective mood of our Rotary club and Rotarians past, we played a game somewhat akin to Redlands Rotary Trivial Pursuit. Each winner received a Starbucks gift card. The winner of best Rotary Event went to **Mark Heideman**. Winner for favorite Rotarian was shared **Kim Clarke** and **Dave Maupin**. Favorite Rotary Cause went **Jim Pender**. Loudest Laugh winner was **Pat Meyer**. The final award about joining Rotary went to **Jim Belote**. Special thanks to **Steve Davis**, our emcee and moderator.

Today

Today will be the first in a series of programs about all things Redlands and what's going on in our city. Today we will hear from Justin Weekly, Maureen Perez and John Harrison representing FORS (Friends of Redlands Skate Park) about the Redlands Skate Park proposal.

Next Week

Dr. Don Buchanan, chairman of the Redlands Street Tree Committee, and Tim Sullivan, liason from the City of Redlands, will present the Redlands Tree plan.

Two ways to help our club in 2016

As we embark on a new year, let's urge each other to do two things during 2016 which benefit our club and sustain members. One, bring a friend as a guest to a Rotary meeting. Let them see our fellowship and hear about the good work we do. Who knows, despite our singing, they may even become a member. The second idea is to participate in some avenue of service new to you. Every month there are many opportunities for service such as later this month, on Wednesday the 27th, Breakfast and a Book at Franklin Elementary School. Have a little fun providing service above self.

Four wise men

Who are our most tenured Rotarians, each with 50+ years experience? **Jon Scharer** joined in 1966, **Larry Wormser** came aboard in 1961, **Harry John** in 1959, and most tenured status belongs to **Leroy Hansberger** class of 1958. That's 220 collective years of Redlands Rotary between the four of them.

PRESIDENT'S PREPOSTEROUS PROSE...

It's 2016! How can that be? If you're one for New Year's Resolutions, I hope that they will help make our world a better, more meaningful, and more tolerant place in some way.

Congratulations to the December birthday table last week – with the lowest fine of the year thus far - \$20! Go December!

We are privileged today to welcome the Vocational Training Team in the medical field from Brazil to our Club. Joining us will also be Nyron McLean, President of Riverside Sunrise Rotary, and recently-announced District Governor Nominee Designate Ricardo Loretta from the Rotary Club of Palm Desert. Be sure to give each of the a warm Redlands welcome.

The countdown is on to Red Wine and Blues – April 2!

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