

Youth Service Month



Sue Robinson



Bob Putney

Opening: Judy Schuster, filling in for Sgt at Arms, Otis Archie, welcomed us to the best Rotary club in the world! VIVA!!

Song: Vicki Schumacher led us in Make New Friends in honor of the many visitors we had today.



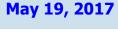


Flag Salute: Bob Minutello led us in reciting the "Pledge of Allegiance"

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- <u>May 20</u>, Sat., *Spaghetti Fundraiser* for AFS student *Holly McCaffie*, Vet's Hall, 1:00-5:00 pm.
- <u>May 24</u>, Wed., Viva Meeting, 5:00, Roger & Sue's. Appetizers & Rotary wine will be served. RSVP to <u>sueincambria@qmail.com</u>.
- <u>May 25</u>, Thurs., *Santa Lucia Middle School Field Dedication*, 5:30.
- <u>May 26</u>, Fri., *Int'l Service Mtg.*, 11:00 am, Lodge Lounge
- Jun 01, Thu., *Tip-A-Cop Dinner*, 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm, Vet's hall. See *Sue Robinson* for tickets.
- Jun 06, Tue., New Member Orientation for Julie Jenkins, 5:30 pm at the Robinson's-3141 Wood Drive.







Elaine Beckham

Invocation: *Donna Crocker* told us, and our young guests, about *Herbert Taylor*, author of the 4 Way Test.





Lucky Buck: Socorro Simons won the lucky buck, donating it to the Polio.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS:

- <u>May 26</u>, *Paula Porter* with *Jesca Acipa*, Uganda Student
- June 02, VIVA Planning Team, Status update.
- June 09, Chris Fischer & Dennis Frahmann, History of the Scarecrow Festival.
- Jun 16, Tess Wright & Jeff Hellman, "The Amazing Annie Leibovitz—Photographer Extraordinaire"
- June 23, DARK—Step-Down Party!
- June 30, Chris Cameron "Peregrine Falcon Migration"

TODAY'S GUESTS:

Ayen Johnson, Interact Faculty Advisor Michelle Campos, Interact President Jazmine Kelleher, Interact Secretary Savannah Lyon, Interact Public Relations Annika Marthaler, Interact Vice President Mary Stenbeck, Teacher, Santa Lucia Middle School Jannah Al Defaaei, Student, Santa Lucia Middle School

Lisi Happel, Student, Santa Lucia Middle School *Eithne Walters*, Student, Santa Lucia Middle School

Ed Pearce, Jr., guest of Ed Pearce, Sr. *Tracy Nottingham*, guest of Ed Pearce, Sr. *Julian Crocker*, guest of Donna Crocker *Sherry Sim*, Cayucos Rotary *Nancy Foley*, Speaker





We love to have guests attend our meetings. It is fun to meet new people, chat with old friends and show off the "Best Rotary Club in the World". So, please continue to visit or to bring guests. But, PLEASE let us know ahead of time that you are coming or that you are bringing a guest. The staff at the Lodge or San Simeon Beach Bar & Grill will be most grateful if they have an accurate head count so they can be sure to have enough places set and food prepared. Contact **Vera Wallen** at 995-3334 or email her at *jwwallen@charter.net* no later than 9 a.m. on meeting day to let her know you are coming.

President's Messages & Announcements:

- **President Sharon** welcomed us all and thanked Patty Griffin for last week's Creative Show & Tell Club Social at her Studio.
- *Mike Griffin* announced that the Cambria Rotary Foundation has added a new Neal Jensen Fellow and has 26 members of the Neal Jensen Circle! Mike also announced that Ed Pearce has moved from Circle Membership to NJ Fellowship and presented Ed with a certificate. Mike also took time to explain the purpose of the Rotary Foundation which is explained on page 5 of this newsletter.



- **Paula Porter** reported that the Beer Booth at the Chili Cook Off raised \$1,509 and asked everyone who came out to help that day to stand and be recognized.
- Nancy Carr placed a packet on each table entitled "400+ Amazing Auction Item Ideas" so club members can get some ideas for auction items for Viva.
- **Dennis Rightmer** made the sacrifice of visiting Figueroa Brewing and Tap It Beer both of whom agreed to donate beer for serving at *Viva* as well as raffle prizes.
- Karen Pelle thanked Sherry Sim for her donation of an Asian Fusion Dinner for 6 as a Viva auction prize.
- Patty Griffin announced that both First American Title and Rabobank have signed on a \$1,000 sponsors for Viva.
- **Judy Schuster** reminded us that **Grand Raffle** tickets will be given out next week and that flyers were available if anyone wants one to post at a business or elsewhere.

SHERIFF DICK:

Sheriff Dick announced that neither he or his deputy found anyone without a pin



FINE MASTER:

Due to the extended presentations, we sadly did not have time for the Fine Master today.



Richard Torcia introduced this year's 4-Way Test Essay Contest winners who read their winning essays: (I-r)

3rd place, Jannah Al Defaael;
2nd place, Eithne Walters;
1st place, Lisi Happel.





4 Way Test Winners:

2016-17 Interact Officers:

Interact Faculty Advisor, *Ayen Johnson* introduced the Interact Officers and praised them for their work during high school. These ladies will be graduating next month and will likely go one to do great things. *Savannah Lyon*, Public Relations; *Annika Marthaler*, Vice President; *Jazmine Kelleher*, Secretary; and, *Michelle Campos*, President.

Presentation: Nancy Foley, Retired California Fish & Wildlife Chief: "War in the Woods: Game Wardens Battle Marijuana Cartels".

The first thing that may come to mind when you think about enforcing our nation's socalled "War on Drugs" are police SWAT teams or heavily armed DEA agents. Think again.



Some our most embattled, and most effective, drug enforcement warriors wear the uniform of game wardens—the men and women who most Americans, mistakenly, assume spend their time checking fishing and hunting licenses and monitoring trespassers.

According to the Fish and Wildlife department, at least 3,000 to 5,000 organized crime-operated "trespass grows" are identified each year on California's wildlands. Many of these sites are typically in excess of 1,000 plants per site, sometimes consisting of more than 200,000 plants.

Each "grow" is manned by several growers. Most are armed and more than willing to defend their cash crop. Not only are many of the growers heavily armed, but the sites are frequently booby trapped. Some of those encountered by warden include punji pits (underground beds of sharpened and poisoned sticks camouflaged on the trail to severely injure those that walk into the grow site).

Along with its mission to stop the public safety threat from organized crime cultivation operations, the Marijuana Enforcement Team is also dedicated to rectifying the extensive environmental destruction to California's wildlife resources within these grow sites, through cleanup and reclamation missions.

If you missed this week's meeting, consider taking a few minutes to check out the video we were shown (<u>https:// vimeo.com/212713167</u>). I think everyone in the room was amazed at what we learned. Many thanks to Nancy Foley for this fascinating presentation.



VOLUNTEER QUOTE OF THE WEEK

If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.

~ Booker T. Washington

"ROTARY: MEETING GREAT PEOPLE AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE"

2017 Viva News

The next *VIVA PLANNING MEETING* will be held at 5:00 on Wednesday, May 24 at Roger & Sue's. Appetizers and Rotary wine will be served. Please RSVP to <u>sueincambria@gmail.com</u>.



Auction Item Ideas Category: Business



Graphic design package for a logo, letterhead, business cards. Mentor dinner with a high-profile business leader. Power lunch with an important politician. Radio advertising package. Full page ad in the local paper.

Can't make it to our Friday meeting? Want a large salad instead of the regular meal? Bringing a guest? Want to sign on as a note-taker?







Call Vera at 995-3334 or email her at: jvwallen@charter.net

Please "LIKE" us on Facebook by clicking on:



on our Club's page:

"CAMBRIA ROTARY"

Facebook is free. The more "LIKES" we get, the more Rotary's word spreads! This is free publicity!



If you have anything you would like share in the newsletter regarding club activities, upcoming events, help needed, etc., let Sue know. (927-2597 or *sueincambria@gmail.com*).



Cambria Rotary News

ROTARY CLUB OF CAMBRIA FOUNDATION

The Rotary Club of Cambria Foundation, Inc. (our Foundation) is a qualified 501(c)(3) entity that has established a permanent endowment fund, the goal of which is to ultimately generate income sufficient to ease the pressure of fundraising.

Our Foundation receives the proceeds of fundraisers (e.g. VIVA, Chili Cook-Off Beer Booth, 4th Of July Smoothie Booth) and allocates those proceeds by formula among the Rotary Club Of Cambria (our Club) Avenues of Service and the permanent endowment fund. Some of the income generated by the endowment is also allocated to the Club Avenues of Service.

Note that our Club member's annual dues are remitted to Rotary International and our District 5240 for dues, and that our Club member's annual pledges are used for the operating expenses of our Club. Neither your dues nor your pledge go through or to our Foundation.

Note also that our Foundation is separate from TRF (The Rotary Foundation), which was established by Rotary International and is involved in worldwide projects such as the eradication of polio.

Foundation Endowment:

NEAL JENSEN FELLOWSHIP - \$1,000 donation to our Foundation's endowment fund. Thank you to the following Rotarians who have joined the Neal Jenson Fellowship.

Carol Alexander	Del Clegg	Neal Jensen	Gerry Porter
Dan Balfe	John Ehlers	Bob Kasper	Paula Porter
Joan Broadhurst	Michael Griffin	Rick D. Low	Dennis Rightmer
Bonnie Cameron	Patrick Hampton	Paul McDonnell	Greg Sanders
Tim and Nancy Carr	Sharon Lynn Harvey	Nancy McKarney	Jim Zuur
Christel Chesney	Bruce and Jane Howard	Ed Pearce	

NEAL JENSEN CIRCLE - \$100/year sustaining membership to our Foundation's endowment fund. Thank you to the following Rotarians who have joined the Neal Jensen Circle.

Elaine Beckham	Miguel Hernandez	Karen Pelle
Chris Cameron	Bruce Howard	Ron and Kate Perry
Christel Chesney	Jane Howard	Dennis Rightmer
Donna Crocker	Bob Kasper	Roger & Sue Robinso
Chuck Forester	Rick Low	Greg Sanders
Patty Griffin	Janet Meyers	Miguel Sandoval
Mike Griffin	Mike O'Sullivan	Judy Schuster

Linda Sherman **Belinda Troutner** Dennis White Jim Zuur

Robinson

If you would like more information about either of these Foundation Endowments or are interested in joining either, please contact Mike Griffin.

Rotary Club of Cambria Foundation (continued)

Board Members:

Nancy Carr, President Mike Griffin, Secretary Gerry Porter, Treasurer Steve Ormondroyd, VP Bruce Howard, Director Gail Ortenburger, Director Chris Cameron, Director Chuck Foerster, Director Mike O'Sullivan, Director

Meeting Dates: Ard Wod. of the m

3rd Wed. of the month, 5pm, Cambria Pines Lodge -check with Board President to confirm.

• Access to Box.com:

If you would like to view Foundation Minutes, Agendas, Financials, By-Laws, etc., contact the Board President for access information.