Opening:  Sgt. At Arms, Ron Perry, rang the bell and opened our meeting for The Greatest Rotary Club In The World--VIVA!!!!!!

Song:  Everyone joined in singing “This and is Your Land”.

Flag Salute:  Otis Archie led us in “Pledge of Allegiance”

Invocation:  Vera Wallen reminded us that “One reason a dog can be such a comfort when you are feeling blue is that he doesn’t try to find out why”, a quote provided by Bob Minutello who has an apparent unlimited supply of fun dog quotes.

Lucky Buck:  Lucky Buck was won by guest speaker, Mike Young who donated it to polio.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:
- Oct 05, Dave Melendy Blood Drive, Vet’s Hall, 1:00 - 5:30 pm.
- Oct 6-8, Rotary District 5240 Conference, Ventura.
- Oct 11, Chamber Mixer, The Nest Gallery, 5:30 pm.
- Oct 13, Community Service Mtg, Lodge, 11:15 am.
- Oct 18, RC Foundation Mtg, Lodge, 5:00 pm.
- Oct 19, RC Club Board Mtg, Lodge, 5:30 pm.
- Oct 21, VIVA!, Vet’s hall, 5:30 pm.
- Oct 27, International Service Mtg, Lodge, 11:00 am.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS:
- Oct 6, Dr. Miguel Hernandez, Unicompartmental Knee Replacement. San Simeon Beach Bar & Grill.
- Oct 13, Claudia Harmon, Beautify Cambria. San Simeon Beach Bar & Grill.
- Oct 20, VIVA Help Day
- Oct 27, U.S. Congressman, Salud Carbajal

REMINDER: If you have anything you would like to share in the newsletter regarding club activities, upcoming events, help needed, etc., let Sue know. (927-2597 or sueincambria@gmail.com).
President’s Messages & Announcements:

President Mike took the podium and the first order of business was the welcoming of our guests of the day: Our Speaker Mike Young was introduced to all of us. Sherry Sim from the Cayucos Rotary was a visitor with a happy "hi"!! We also noticed Lance Morales & Dennis White with us, great to see them. Laudon Rowen & Cynthia Neer were listed as guests, but really--after the great Orientation last night, they are ready to be part of our group!!

President Mike asked again who would be willing to go to the District Conference in Ventura, coming up very soon. There is an important vote happening on the bylaws, and we of course want to have at least 3 people from our club there to vote on this, as we are eligible for that many because of the size of our club. Let Mike O' know if you are able to attend.

Sue Robinson announced that we need a new photographer for our club's newsletter, since Patrick Hampton has moved away. Elaine Beckham has already agreed to fill in when she is at the meetings, but we need a back up or two. Patty Griffin volunteered. Thanks ladies!

Mike then called up Mike Griffin to help with the formal induction of our new members. Cynthia Neer’s sponsor, Bob Kasper, was not able to attend, but she did great! Cynthia talked about her involvement & volunteering with YMCA, that she is a retired attorney, and has 2 kids, a son age 25 & a daughter age 21 (who currently attends Monterey College). Laudon Rowen thanked us for such a warm welcome and acknowledged her sponsor Otis Archie. Laudon moved here a year ago after shutting down her practice in Rocklin. She was a therapist there, focused on adolescents, especially around drug abuse problems. She wanted to join our group to become part of the community. We gave them both a standing ovation & loud WELCOME!!

Patty Griffin announced there are only 2 more openings for her special Pottery Workshop on February 24 & 25, supporting VIVA as a special event and part of the fund-raising.

Roger Robinson passed around a Work Sheet for tasks we need help with at VIVA. Patty then reminded us there are still a lot of tickets to sell, both Event tickets and Grand Raffle tickets. We all are encouraged to Sell, Sell, Sell!!!! Mary Ann Carson is now selling tickets at the Chamber of Commerce.

Sheriff Dick

Alas, Sheriff Dick was ill today so some naughties may have escaped for a short time (just wait ‘til next week! & remember to ALWAYS wear your Rotary pin). Feel better, Sheriff.
**FINE MASTER:**

Given our busy schedule and his busy schedule, did not fine us this week--whew! But......just wait til next week!

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**PRESENTATION**

*Matt Clevenger* introduced *Mike Young*, football player and part-time resident of Cambria (LA the rest of the time). He told us that Mike is a former professional American football wide receiver in the NFL for ten seasons for the Los Angeles Rams, the Denver Broncos, the Philadelphia Eagles, and the Kansas City Chiefs. He was serving as Executive Vice President of the Colorado Crush of the Arena Football League until the league folded. On May 22, 2009, Young was appointed as Chief Revenue Officer for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Mike is a long time friend of our *Matt Clevenger* and he told us he & Matt were "Man-Childs" at high school--all the girls loved them (& all the guys hated them?). Mike played football at UCLA and in 2 Rose Bowls. After his career in football, he spent the last 11 years with the Dodgers. Mike wanted to be something else besides a football team member, and he got to really like it & all the parts--it feels like family to him. He has been chief revenue officer & involved with corporate sponsorships. Mike then talked about Hearst Castle and his fascination with the venue. He wants to help rebuild parts of it and feels he learned through his Dodgers work about branding, district sponsorships. At the end, after lots of stories about some games, Mike showed us a video of him singing! He thinks football will go through changes now because it is hurting too many people.

After his talk, Mike passed around his Super Bowl rings. Wow! Talk about bling!! Thank you Mike for a very interesting and entertaining talk.
DONATIONS:

Our challenge: We have only 3 more collection weeks for live and silent auction items. We really need some great bottles of wine to fill out wine cooler. If you committed to bring donations and so far, we have not received them, the time is now! Items always needed: wine - gift certificates - booze (tequila especially) – CASH (yes an envelope with a few dollars can help us embellish our donations).

Grand raffle:

Our challenge: We need to sell 350 tickets and we are only about 56% of the way there! This is the main fundraiser for this event. We need everyone’s help. Ask your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers. You may be surprised at how they will react when they hear the great choice of trips. And, you will never know until you ask.

Event Tickets:

Please purchase your tickets NOW for VIVA on Saturday, October 21st! You can register on line or give Linda Sherman your name and she will register for you. Registration is needed to assign you bid number for the Silent and Live Auctions. Make our your check for $85/seat to the Rotary Foundation of Cambria. You do not want to miss this fun event! Get a group of friends together and buy a table! Enjoy an evening of frivolity, food and fun all while helping to fund Club projects for 2018-19.

Link to register for Viva  
https://charityauction.bid/RotaryClubofCambria
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.

**Board Members:**
- **Chuck Foerster,** President
- **Mike Griffin,** Secretary
- **Gerry Porter,** Treasurer
- **Steve Ormondroyd,** VP
- **Bruce Howard,** Director
- **Gail Ortenburger,** Director
- **Nancy Carr,** Director
- **Mike Griffin,** Director

**Meeting Dates:**
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.

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**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: [jvallen@charter.net](mailto:jvallen@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!
Here we grow again!

Elaine Beckham has become a Neal Jensen Fellow!
Bally Singh has joined the Neal Jensen Circle!

Cambria Rotary Foundation now has 32 members in the NJ Circle!
Elaine has moved to NJ Fellow status and Bally Singh has started a new membership in NJ Circle!

Otis Archie
Joan Broadhurst****
Chris Cameron
Christel Chesney
Del Clegg*
Matthew Clevenger
Donna Crockor
Chuck Devroede
Chuck Foerster
Patty Griffin**
Mike Griffin**
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Bob Kasper
Rick Low
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Dennis Rightmer*
Roger & Sue Robinson*
Greg Sanders***
Miguel Sandoval*****
Judy Schuster
Linda Sherman
Bally Singh
Belinda Troutner
Dennis White*******
Jim Zuur**

Thank you to our fellows!

Fellows

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

Make a $100 donation to start your pledge and join us.

Make additional payments whenever you want - each year, each month, whenever!

GROW BABY GROW!
Donations since Feb. 2017. Includes donations of those who have moved from NJ Circle to become new members of NJ Fellowship.