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LA Phil Affiliates Music Mobile

Submitted by Chris Shaner

Sue Keavney (**Owen's** wife) brought 12 colleagues from the LA Philharmonics Affiliates group to demonstrate orchestral instruments to Mrs. Derleth's and Mrs Teixeira's 3rd Graders at Sycamore School. The group typically takes music to the schools through its Music Mobile program, a program created in the 1970s in Pasadena, by a group of women volunteers who decided transporting instruments to third grade children would be a good introduction to the LA Philharmonic Orchestra.

Today, the Foothill Philharmonic Committee demonstrated orchestral instruments for the 3rd Graders from Sycamore Grade Schools, sharing the magic of music. Our club members were silent observers as the ladies told the children about each of the four main groups of instruments: strings, woodwinds, brass and percussion

Sue first asked the children what state they live in, what county, and what city. She wanted them to know that we have a LA Philharmonic Orchestra in Los Angeles at the Disney Hall downtown. She told the story about Walt Disney loving music; when he passed, Mrs. Disney built a concert Hall in Los Angeles, designed by Frank Gerry to resemble Noah's Ark-- a ship of music to bring music to the area. The interior of the hall is constructed of wood and contains the largest pipe organ in the United States. The LA Philharmonic orchestra has 105 musicians. Gustavo Dudamel, the conductor since 2009, is passionate about children being exposed to the orchestra.

Four ladies then each explained one of the main groups of instruments, using recordings of the instrument to show them off to best advantage.

The strings were introduced first, starting with the violin and its bow as the smallest, and moving in size and depth of sound to the viola, cello and a reasonable facsimile of a bass.



The woodwinds demonstrated were a piccolo and a flute, reminiscent of the pied piper, and reed instruments, including a clarinet, oboe, and bassoon.

The presenter who demonstrated the brass family, proved its noisy power in the orchestra. She explained how brass was different from the woodwinds in that one buzzes their lips on a mouthpiece. She tooted on a trumpet, a french horn, a trombone and of course, a tuba. With plastic tubing, she illustrated how the brass family, especially the larger instruments, may have between 16 and 20 feet of tubing!

The percussion family has too many instruments to list and we were spared a lot of banging. The presenter drew our attention to various drums, tympani, cymbals, and a triangle. The percussion section can make sounds like thunder, lightning, and other sound effects. Exciting!

The children were given the opportunity to try out the instruments. It was very noisy at this point, and since the witching hour was upon us, the Rotarians were dismissed so the children could fully enjoy playing the instruments. We're sure that one day, given this early exposure to instruments, some will be participating in the Dan Stover Music Competition.

Rotary, The Meeting

Violet and Sofie, second grade scouts from Pack 408, ably led the pledge of allegiance, followed by **Karen Sapio** leading us in song—My Country 'Tis of Thee.

Welcome Guests and Visiting Rotarians

Ian Standley brought Scout master Matt Mori and his daughter Violet, and Amber Wasson and her daughter Sofie. Matt informed us that there are 30-40 scouts in a Pack and a Den at every grade level.

Jim Lehman was accompanied by his wife, Fran, and Debbie Mindrum from Priceless Pets.

Nona Tirre invited the club to applaud for the El Roble Interactors, Alana Polanski, Shelby Archer, Harper Coleman, and son Jason Miranda, El Roble Interactors, and Heather Lyn and Phyllis Epling (advisors). (See story below)

Announcements and Gratitude

President Ron thanked past president **Ian Standley** for maintaining our club's connection with scouting, and thanked the Clarifier staff for keeping at it. (You're welcome!)

Matt Mori announced that Pack 408 is involved in many service projects, like spreading mulch and helping with tree planting. He would be happy to partner with Rotary.

Bridget Healey celebrated that the Annual Scare Away Hunger event raised donated food and \$198.50 for the Food Bank.

John Howland announced that the donation cycle for Adopt a Family will begin at the next meeting.

Upcoming events

Wednesday, November 7 at Nunos, the second Networking social sponsored by the membership committee. (See pictures, page 4)

November 30 Holiday Party, Frank Hall

December 7 is our annual meeting (elect officers) and the last meeting of 2018.

Saturday, December 8 Bike Assembly, Bill's Bikes for Kids (serves as a makeup)

Saturday, December 15 Bill's Bikes for Kids

El Roble Interact Makes Big Donations!



Advisors and Members of the El Roble Intermediate School Interact Club presented a \$500 check to Debbie Mindrum from Priceless Pets. Debbie told us that this year they have rescued and found homes for 73 dogs, 83 cats and 3 others including rabbits and a cockatiel.

These young leaders also donated \$1000 to Rotary for Shelter Box, raised from recycling and a Blaze pizza fundraiser. They will come to report again in the spring.

How inspiring is that?!



Inspiration of the Day

Ron Murphy raised the old saying that the best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago; 20 years ago, Ron planted 5 trees in conjunction with a Rotary initiative — and they're doing quite well. The rest of the saying, of course, is that the next best time is today. Well, the best time to solve problems is 20 years ago..... Let Congress know its time to plant a few trees!





PRIP Richard King Honored

submitted by Sylvia Whitlock

Past Rotary International President (PRIP) Richard King from northern CA was honored November 2, as, on his birthday, he observed his fiftieth year in Rotary. A virtual icon, he was cited by RI President Barry Rassin as being the INSPIRATION as he started his quest to make mankind his business. During Rick's year as President, Rotary's membership growth made a spike that has never been equaled. PRIPs Ravi Ravindran, M.A.T. Caparas, Gary Huang, Frank Devlyn, Cliff Dochterman, and a host of other Rotary luminaries recounted for Rick and his wife Cheryl their stirring memories of his influence on their Rotary lives. There were approximately five hundred persons (including Sylvia) attending this event at the BlackHawk Museum in Danville CA. The event was also a benefit for the Richard King Endowed Fund for Rotary Peace Centers for which more than \$500,000 was raised. It was ably chaired by Richard Flanders, a longtime colleague of PRIP King.

Cheryl and Richard King



Barry and Esther Rassin



Pipe Organ Scholarships *submitted by Roger House*

The Pipe Organ Scholarship Committee is appealing to the generosity of our membership for direct contributions to the Claremont Rotary Foundation earmarked for Pipe Organ Scholarships, to augment the smaller amount the club budgeted for this year's program. As an incentive Roger will match donations dollar for dollar up to \$1,000. In addition, any contribution of \$500 or more will get two free tickets to a Pipe Organ concert at the Walt Disney Concert Hall. Contributions made to the Foundation will also count as a contribution to one's Paul Harris Fellowship. Below is a thank you letter received from one of last year's Recipients.

Thank you very much for awarding me a scholarship for organ studies. I take lessons with Dr. Tim Mueller now. Dr. Mueller is a high-level organ teacher and a wonderful person. My lessons are in Concordia University once a week. I am learning how to play with my feet now. My piano and music theory knowledge that I got from studying at Colburn Music School helped me a lot. I was dreaming to play a real pipe organ for many years. I am planning to become a professional organ player and a composer.

You make me so happy. I am playing my dream. Thank you so, so much! Please come to my next recital. I will send you an invitation.

*Best wishes,
Sagi Rozzo*

We thank you in advance for your contributions. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Non-Rotarians can also make a tax deductible contribution to the Foundation for this program.

Roger House and the Pipe Organ Scholarship Committee

Ron's Joke Quarantine

Did you hear about the note the pianist left for his wife?
Gone Chopin, Bach in a minuet.

Sergeant Nona Tirre

Sergeant **Nona** first fined **Ron Coleman** for losing Nona's son while they were at El Roble recently. Pretty sure he deserved it!

Nona attempted to call out **Kebokile Dengu-Zvobgo** for her birthday; Kebokile was fined double for disavowing that it was a special day!

Bobby Hyde was fined for his 27 sf expansion project which required neighbors' approval before the city would provide a permit.

Brett O'Connor was fined for appearing in the CHS production of Right Before I Go. He noted that the playright would be in attendance.



Bonita Ramos was fined for having a warped sense of pumpkin carving and Halloween décor, posted on Facebook!



Jim Lehman, shame on you for making your guests, including your wife, wait when they arrived for the meeting. Pay \$9 to your wife and \$1 to the pig!

The Rotarian: November Brief



"Why we volunteer...Because otherwise we remain pressed for contentment." (p 23-24) describes the author's anxiety the first time she volunteered for a Rotary clinic in Guatemala. She relates colorfully the day to day experience that reminded her how easy it is to take our daily amenities for granted. "A different environment reinforces humility and transcends perceived divisions." Who doesn't need that?

Social Networking

Wednesday, November 7 was the second Social Networking meeting, organized by **Nona Tirre** and **Susie Ilsley** for the Membership Committee. A good number of our members figured out that the gathering is a great way to do a makeup, meet new business people from the area, and socialize with fellow Rotarians, learning new things about them (Did you know there's an international skiing fellowship in Rotary? Ask Dan Kentner.) And did we mention excellent adult beverages and tapas at Nunos Bistrot? (Nunos is a favorite vendor for the Taste of Claremont.) The next gathering will be in January.



More Pictures from the Program



Sue Keavney shows off Disney Hall and conductor Gustavo Dudamel





UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Nov. 9	North Korea, Asia and USA Relationships, Tom Le
Nov. 16	State of the City Update, Tara Schultz
Nov. 23	Dark for Thanksgiving!
Nov. 30	Holiday Party at Frank Hall



Ron Coleman
Claremont Rotary
President
2018-2019



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Photo of the Week:



Fall Bougainvillea



We're young leaders



No Joke

OINK!



Bacon Bits
Let's fill up the pig!

Website

Information about the club and back editions of this newsletter are always available on DACdb and www.claremontRotary.org

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Next Birthdays

- Kebokile Dengu-Zvobgo 11/3
- Marla Lefler 11/6
- Mike Pearlman 11/15
- Jim Marchant 11/22
- Andrew Bentson 12/1
- Lucinda McDade 12/3
- Perry Hillberg 12/7
- Nick Quackenbos 12/12
- Ron Coleman 12/14



- Adnan Aswad 12/6
- Daniel Forrester 12/8
- Paul Steffen 12/13



Notes by Chris Shaner (program), Buff Wright (meeting); photos by Steve Schenck
The Claremont Rotary Club meets at the Claremont DoubleTree on Foothill at 12:10pm



Sergeants committee meets every Friday at 11:30 AM in the Orchard Lounge at the DoubleTree Hotel and anyone with information to share is welcome!!

Clarifier Committee

- Mike DeWees
- Lark Gerry
- Bobby Hyde
- Dan Kentner
- Jim Lehman
- Steve Schenck
- Ann Scott-Putney
- Chris Shaner
- Harry Sparrow
- Peter Weinberger
- Buff Wright, editor

