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Believe those who are seeking the truth. Doubt those who find it.

—André Gide

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OSC Review

'Twas a Party Good Year!

As we move through the decades and we wonder if things can get any crazier, all we have to do is look back at the sanity and stability exhibited by CSR members. Here, our philanthropy goes toward helping a family of amputees that were given a holiday



sweater and a length of rope. Fortunately they still have two hands with which to create the nooses. Our annual



Bacchanalia went further, featuring an award for best sweater. Winning a place in this category, Geri Higley exemplified the dignity and legacy of CSR and earned a featured spot in our Rotogravure with her seasonal outerwear creation.

Deck The Hills

Foregoing a tradition of an evening dinner party for the holidays, CSR elected this year to do an outdoor soiree held in Potter's backyard. Paul Harris called in some favors and the Big Guy in the Sky removed the cloud cover long enough to have a great party. Good times with good friends, great food and drink... Not enough to make a guy want to fall off the wagon, but at least want to take it for a drive.



The President's Jewels & Gems

This month our club has been busy with OSC and we have now clothed our 33,000th child!!! What a great feat and a big Thank You for the thoughts and efforts to continue to forward this incredible program. Our new Elect Elect has been selected: Mr. Wild Bill Higley! I know he is going to continue the tradition of great presidents for CSR. The Country Fair will be here before we know it so start getting ready!! Ms bigger-and-better SHANNON will keep us on our toes, I'm sure. Jon and Pam had another great idea for a fundraiser at the Pomeroy Station museum. Member of CSR in addition to Noon Club-



bers and others attended the evening making it another great success for OSC. Always continuing to spread the joy of Rotary!!! On another note, I was in Tucson Arizona for my jewelry business, talking up Rotary, and a fellow Rotarian from Marana Arizona purchased a few nice rings just because I was a Rotarian. Even though they meet on Tuesday, can that count, Jon??

Your Valentine, — Robert

She's a Jolly Good Fellow



CSR has been a great supporter of Paul Harris, he's the kind of guy you'd like to have a beer with. Same is true for his Fellows. We now have 21 guys and gals who have ponied up a grand to join this exclusive Club. We even have three members (Dennis, George, Lone) that have done it more than once! Supporting the Rotary Foundation is the flagship of RI's efforts. Our latest member to join the Club is Leslie Gonzalez, here awarded the honor at our assembly meeting.

OSC Night At The Museum

On Feb 4th, a fundraiser was held at the incredible Pomeroy Station Museum for the benefit of OSC. Each admission paid to clothe a child and guests had a great time with food, drink, music, and a tour of the amazing museum of advertising. This world class exhibit is viewed by invitation only and if you haven't seen it yet, you're missing a treasure!



Speaking About That...

TODAY: Err, well, we don't exactly have a real speaker. During the OSC days, attendance is down and it's harder to draw speakers for smaller crowds. Hang in there, though.



The Line Up:

2/21 Joe Castillo, Historical Researcher—History of In-N-Out Burgers 2/28 Tom Mason, Mt. Wilson Observatory—Through the Looking Glass 3/7 Zahir Ansari, — Adventures From a Village in India to Los Angeles 3/14 Chris Bailey—Guatemala Literacy Project

Three Jokes Walk Into a Squeeze...

I went to the zoo the other day. There was only one dog in it. It was a shitzu.

A three-legged dog walks into a saloon in the Old West. He slides up to the bar and announces: "I'm looking for the man who shot my paw."

A woman in a bikini reveals about 90% of her body.... and yet most men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.

Things that Haven't Happened Yet

2/16 Last day of OSC @9:00am (sign up before it's over!)

4/18 OSC Afterglow @7:00am

5/06 Country Fair Fundraiser @Hurst Ranch 6:00pm

5/23 Shannon & Leslie (no info yet—but could be interesting!)

6/24 Kickout Party (tentative date)!

Hugh's History Hutch

In the early years of this millennium, CSR participated in the Covina Library Trivia Contest. The members each year face stiff competition (and a *rigged* system) to do what no others have ever done — won the contest <u>3 times</u>!





New Rotarian Jumps Into OSC:

Every organization needs volunteers. Over the years I have been asked by various individuals to volunteer and have declined to help out as the leaderships' self-serving motivations or questionable values were counter to or light years apart from my own. When one volunteers to participate or assist with the staging of an activity, one must be careful that they do not become involved in something that is counter to their personal beliefs or sense of worth. So, I was a little hesitant to become involved with the Rotary's Operation Santa Clothes project without first becoming familiar with this activity first hand.



Upon arriving my first day to participate at K-Mart, I was pleasantly surprised. I observed a kind, gentle, "growling drill sergeant" with a heart full of mischief and a sense of humor greeting and structuring the first bus load of little ones as it rolled into the parking lot and up to the front door. Jon's organizational skills and ability to gently herd a bunch of little "carpet creepers" into a staging area ready for teenagers and grand parent-type volunteers to take them out shopping was amazing.

I was most impressed by not only the kindness, gentle patience, and supportive attitudes exhibited by all the volunteers, but in particular, by those high school Interact Club student volunteers. The level of maturity and authentic sense of character of these young people were impressive as they helped their little charges pick out and select the correct sizes of shoes and two outfits. My hat goes off to not only them, but their club's sponsors and Rotarian Liaison. Yes, I will most definitely be an Operation Santa Clothes volunteer next year too.

--- Diane Bonner



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