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The Object of Rotary

THE FOUR WAY TEST: OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY, AND DO

1. *Is it the TRUTH?*
2. *Is it FAIR to all Concerned?*
3. *Will it build GOOD WILL and better Friendships?*
4. *Will it be BENEFICIAL to all Concerned?*

The Paso Oak Leaf

Rotary Club of Paso Robles, California

94 years of service to the Community

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May 17, 2018

Jonathan Stornetta

Paso Robles Fire Chief

Jonathan Stornetta was appointed to the permanent fire chief position for the city of Paso Robles on April 3. This position has far more responsibilities than just fire suppression activities. Jonathan leads the Paso Robles Emergency Services department that also manages emergency medical services, rescue, hazardous materials and other emergency responses. These are critical life saving services that Jonathan has trained and performed for over 25 years. Given his experience, it was not surprising that Jonathan was selected to serve as interim fire chief last October with a permanent appointment last month.

Jonathan was grew up in Atascadero and his family has raised beef and dairy cattle locally for over 90 years. After graduating from high school, Jonathan became a reserve firefighter which led to an opportunity to attend paramedic school at UC Davis. He found his calling, serving 21 years as a paramedic and as a full time firefighter in Morro Bay. He moved to Paso Robles in 2001 and was progressively promoted to captain, interim battalion chief, and battalion chief prior to his recent appointment. Jonathan now lives in Creston with his wife Lindsay and his 2 children.



Jonathan focused his presentation on the river rescue operations after heavy rains this past March. Firefighters quickly responded to a call reporting a person in distress on the Salinas River just north of the Niblick Bridge. They found a man and his dog clinging to a tree. They were able to throw him a flotation device until they could swim across the river to rescue him. At the same time, additional calls came in for other people at risk in the river. Using CHP Helicopter 70, fire rescuers completed 6 hoist rescues and rescue swimmers performed 4 additional rescues. These rescues involved people & assets from the cities of Paso Robles, Atascadero, San Miguel, Templeton, Cambria and SLO as well as Cal Fire and the CHP, demonstrating the close cooperation of these public safety organizations and their value to our community.

Photos by Rex Thornhill

Coming Programs

Today: Offsite Meeting at the Culinary Arts Academy, Paso Robles High School Aquatics Facility

May 24: Derrik Williams, President, HydroMetrics WRI, *Paso Basin Ground Water Sustainability Plan*

May 31: Shawn Sherman - Chris Matthews, Central Coast Cannabis Council

June 7: Ian Parkinson, Sheriff, San Luis Obispo County

June 14: Scott Laycock, Scholarship Chair, 2018 Scholarship Recipients

News You Can Use

- **Scholarship Opportunity** - Scholarship chair Scott Laycock encourages members to submit legacy scholarship applications now for children or grandchildren of club members. Please contact Scott for further details. Winners will be announced June 14.
- **Paso Pops** - Tickets are now on sale for the third annual concert and fireworks extravaganza being held this year on **July 4** at the Paso Robles Event Center. Paso Pops is part of the Paderewski Festival. Net proceeds will benefit the Paderewski Festival Youth Piano Competition and the Youth Cultural Exchange Program. Go to www.pasopops.org for tickets or more info.
- **Winemakers' Cookoff** - The annual cookoff will be held on **August 11** from **6-9 PM** at the **PR Event Center**. This will be the 20th anniversary event and the organizing committee encourages new members to get involved early. The planning committee typically meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM at Pacifica Commercial Realty, 504 1st Street. The wine glass sponsorship is still available. Please contact Paul Shannon or Bob Vilhauer regarding this or other sponsorship opportunities.



Humor Corner

Do you know this guy or just someone like him?
I have often been asked "What do you old folks do now that you are retired?" Well, I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine and vodka into urine. I do it every day and I really enjoy it."

Birthdays in the Next 30 Days

Nicolette Harley	May 18	Vince Vanderlip	May 30
Paula Byrd	May 19	Ray Derby	Jun 5
Lisa (Todd) Marion	May 19	Ed (Katy Wetterstrand) Enochs	Jun 5
Ryan Tannehill	May 20	Gail (Don) Campbell	Jun 9
Dan Jones	May 21	Doug Barth	Jun 10
Rhoda (Bob) Chute	May 22	Marty Self	Jun 10
Rick Runnells	May 25	Mary (Carl) Raggio	Jun 11
Lisa (Tony) Wallace	May 26	Pat Scott	Jun 16
Mark Perry	May 27	Jennifer (Kevin) Brush	Jun 16

Anniversaries This Week

No Anniversaries This Week

RYLA Attendees Share Experiences

Once again, Youth Service Director Linda Midkiff organized a great group of Paso Robles High School Interact Club members to attend the annual RYLA conference in Ojai. Our attendees received great awards & recognition including Color Group leader Marshall Wiesner, Talent Contest winner Ignacio "Nacho" Roman, Outstanding Character award winner Kate Reupold, and Outstanding Courage award winner Neveene Al Azzam. It is very impressive that our three camp-wide winners were competing against approximately 300 other students for the awards. Thanks to Linda, Gail Tannehill, Jim Moffit and Rex Thornhill for providing transportation to and from Ojai for this outstanding group!



Above photo (left to right): Basma El Sayed, Linda Midkiff, Laura Santos, Torri Pugh, Neveene Al Azzam, Marshall Wiesner, Ignacio Roman, and Pablo Cortes.