

ROTARY OFFICERS - 2016-2017

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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

93 years of service to the Community

Charter granted January 15, 1924

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February 23, 2017

John Donovan

Abraham Lincoln in His Own Words

Club Members celebrated the Presidents' Day holiday early by listening to the immortal words of Abraham Lincoln delivered by local Rotarian John Donovan. Wearing a dark beard and iconic stovepipe hat, the 6' 8" Donovan looked every bit as imposing as Lincoln was in his day.



Donovan noted that this February 12 would have been President Lincoln's 208th birthday. He was born in 1809 to Thomas and Nancy Hanks Lincoln in a one-room log cabin on the Sinking Spring Farm. His mother died in 1818 and his father married a widow, Sarah "Sally" Bush Johnston. Of note, Lincoln had no relationship with his father but was very close to his step mother. As a young man, he unsuccessfully tried

several occupations, and then became a lawyer in 1836. Lincoln married Mary Todd from a wealthy slave owning family in 1842. They had four sons and only one, Robert, survived to adulthood.

Lincoln was elected to the IL State legislature in 1834 as a member of the Whig Party. In 1846, he was elected to the U.S. House. After one term, Lincoln returned to practice law in Springfield. There he helped form the antislavery Republican Party. He ran for Senate against Stephen Douglas and their debates on slavery are considered the most famous in U.S. history. While he lost the Senate race, Lincoln went on to defeat Douglas in the presidential race of 1860 becoming the 16th president. While he won on an antislavery platform, his primary focus was to save the Union during the Civil War. After 5 years and 615,000 casualties, the war finally ended in 1865. Lincoln's leadership in bringing the broken country back together make him one of our nation's greatest presidents.

In real life, John Donovan is a State Farm insurance agent in Atascadero. He graduated from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY, with a degree in Communications. He is a member of the Atascadero Rotary Club (President, 2012-13) and the Atascadero Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He has been a resident of the Central Coast since 1990. He has five daughters and lives in Templeton.

Coming Programs

Today: Dick McKinley, Public Works Director - State & Federal Stormwater Regulations

Mar 2: Steve Cass, Producer, Paso Pops 2017

Mar 9: Tom Halen, Cow Parade - Bovine Art

Mar 16: Jim Wisdom - "Finish Big" - Exit Planning for Privately Held Business Owners

Mar 23: Randay Canaday, Building Trades Instructor PRHS,

News You Can Use

- **Ski Trip** - The Paso Rotary ski trip is set for **March 1-4** at Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort. The trip is open to all interested parties. Please see Rex Thornhill for further details.
- **Boy Scout Lodge Dedication** - Mark your calendar on **March 4** for the dedication of the Troop 60 "Esteemed Eagle" Lodge. Our club has been intricately involved with Troop 60 for many years and is a sponsor of the lodge refurbishment. The Saturday dedication starts at 2 PM at 2247 Oak Street. Please see John Hamon for further information.
- **New Board Member Training** - The Rotary District 5240 Training Assembly is scheduled for **March 18** in Bakersfield. The Assembly will run from 9-12:30. Check-in and continental breakfast from 8 - 9. The cost is free to all members. Training will focus on information for incoming Club presidents, officers, & board members serving in 2017-18. Please contact Pat Sayne for further details.
- **American Heart Association Lunch** - The "Go Red for Women" fundraiser and awareness campaign will host their annual lunch on **March 31** from 11-1:30 at the Paso Robles Golf Club. Jean St. Martin is organizing a Rotary table for women who would like to attend. Tickets are \$55. Please contact Jean for further details.
- **Golf Tournament** - Chairman Rick Goree and his team are seeking volunteers, sponsors or auction item donors for this year's tournament and auction. The golf tournament will be held on **May 13** with the silent auction the evening of **May 12**. Contact Rick for further details.
- **Rotary International Convention** - Please consider attending the annual convention **June 10-14** in Atlanta, GA. The Fonarows, Byrds and others will be representing our club along with Brenda Cressey who will be inducted as a Trustee of the Rotary Foundation. Interested members can register at <http://www.riconvention.org/en>

Birthdays in the Next 30 Days

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| Linda Jansen | Feb 23 | Tracy (Phil) Cagliero | Mar 4 |
| Sam (Jennifer) Sorenson* | Feb 23 | Jon Dallons | Mar 7 |
| Karisha Dearing (Matt McClish) | Feb 24 | Phil Cagliero | Mar 8 |
| John Partridge | Feb 27 | Joe Harris | Mar 11 |
| Lisa (Keith) Gillis | Feb 27 | Pete Johnston | Mar 16 |
| Carolyn (Jim) Brescia | Feb 28 | Sarah (Ty) Lewis | Mar 17 |
| Marion Todd | Mar 3 | Don Campbell | Mar 18 |
| Jim Riffenburgh | Mar 4 | Gary Nelson | Mar 20 |
| Kathy Tucker | Mar 4 | Wade Taylor | Mar 21 |

* In memoriam

Anniversaries This Week

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| Don & Gail Campbell | Feb 23 |
| Dennis & Lyn Buckley | Feb 26 |
| Joe & Terry Irick | Feb 27 |

Wine Wisdom

**IN WINE
THERE IS WISDOM,
IN BEER
THERE IS FREEDOM,
IN WATER
THERE IS BACTERIA.**



WINE PAIRING IN THE STONE AGE



"Simple rule of thumb; if it tries to eat us, serve with red. If it runs away from us, serve with white."

PESSIMIST
"MY GLASS IS HALF EMPTY"

OPTIMIST
"MY GLASS IS HALF FULL"

REALIST
"MY GLASS NEEDS A REFILL"

