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REFLECTIONS
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This Week
The Teacher Mini-Grant Report
Program Host:
Ed Jasnow

Yes, it's time for our favorite program of the year. Earlier this school year, our club gave out 39 \$400 Mini-Grants to teachers from eight different schools in the Pasadena Unified School District. They were given in response to proposals sent in by the teachers for ways that would enhance the classroom experience of their students.

Today, the teachers will be reporting to us on how they spent these funds to carry out their proposals. We have always been amazed at the ingenuity of the teachers to stretch the Mini-Grant money to the maximum. And, we have always been humbled by the enormous amount of gratitude expressed by the teachers.

Bring a guest if you want them to be impressed by what it means to be a Rotarian.

on . . . Flying

Every time I fly I cannot help but be amazed that such a heavy piece of equipment is able to lift off the ground. As a physicist, I well understand the physical principles. I can recite Bernoulli's principle and even understand the underlying microphysics of why it works. I would be able to make reasonable estimates of the four basic forces on an airplane: thrust, lift, gravity, and drag. I know why the wingtips of modern jets jut upward, and I could explain how a jet turbine operates. Nevertheless, flying never ceases to fascinate me.

Over the last few weeks, I have had the opportunity to be fascinated by flying seven times, crossing the Atlantic and the Pacific oceans each twice. Whereas the novelty of cruising 600 mph at an altitude of 6 miles still has not worn off, the drudgery of folding my 6'3" frame into the standard economy-sized modern version of the *iron maiden*, followed by the crushing of my knees as the passenger in front of me makes him/herself comfortable has long lost its appeal. Fortunately, my frequent flyer status makes me eligible for upgrades

to slightly better seating, or occasionally, like last night, to first class seating on my return flight from Washington DC.

For obvious reasons, I would like to retain my status as a frequent flyer with one of the major carriers. I was shocked to learn that the approximately 7000-ish miles flight to Frankfurt or Tokyo no longer gives you 7000-ish frequent flyer miles. For example, after my March trip to Munich and back, I received 5110 and 3402 miles, respectively. The trip to Tokyo gave me 4081 miles, and the return trip to LAX 1806 miles. The sum of these numbers is 14399 — or about 60 percent of what I expected. I need 25,000 miles and need to spend \$3000 this year to qualify for Premier status. These four flights gave me

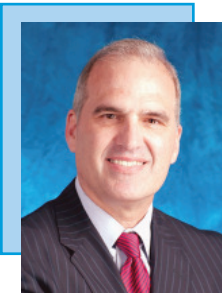
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Greeters

- May 07
Theo Clarke
- May 14
Craig Cox
- May 21
Steve Cunningham

Program Review

Pasadena City College Vocational Awards & Veterans' Scholarships



Altadena Rotary Trivia Question #1:

What is the longest running service project for Altadena Rotary?

>> *The PCC Vocational Awards* <<
Altadena Rotary Trivia Question #2:

Who started the PCC Vocational Awards?

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>> *Dr. Bill Gannon* <<
who served as club president
1977 – 1978.

Last week we hosted PCC Vocational students, their guests and PCC faculty and staff.

Many years ago, Bill Gannon wanted to organize an event that would honor students who excelled in their study of an occupational area to prepare themselves for employment or to upgrade their job skills. These students were typically overlooked for recognition.

Luckily for the Rotary Club, Pasadena City College offers more than 70 certificate programs in 37 different subject areas. Students may pursue a Certificate of Achievement, which requires the completion of 18 units or more. Upon completion of the specified curriculum, students petition the Records Office for issuance of the certificates. These programs can lead to an Associate in Science Degree.



(L to R) Maritza Avila, Tresor Tyton, Steeve Delgado, and Ezik Openshaw



(L to R) Paul Jarrell, Instructor; Elizabeth Armendanz; Phyllis Howard; Patricia Lynn, Instructor; and Ahni Didge, Instructor



(L to R) Henry Saggians, Instructor; and Basima Qusaab

Students who want to develop job skills in a special area in a short period of time can earn an Occupational Skills Certificate which requires 17 units or less.

For more information on the Career & Technical Education Curricula at PCC, go to <http://www.pasadena.edu/academ->

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May
No Designation

Program Chair, Ed Jasnow

- May 07 - Teacher Mini-Grant Report
- May 14 - Bill Reese, Former Chief of Police, South Pasadena
- May 21 - JROTC Awards
- May 28 - To be announced

June
Fellowship Month

Program Chair, Mike Zeller

Congratulations



Birthdays



- 05/05 - Ursula Moore
- 05/15 - Elsa Smith
- 05/18 - Craig Cox
- 05/30 - Susan Applegate

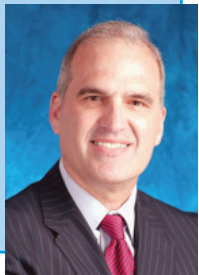


Anniversaries



- 05/18 - Tony Hill & Ann Rider Hill
- 05/19 - Roger & Kathleen Anne Fennell

Control What You can Control, and the Rest takes Care of Itself



I have been happy to see our newest members stepping up and serving.

Charlie Wilson and Steve Kerekes are in the middle of organizing our participation in Relay for Life on May 30. Kimmit Haggins is always eager to get involved in projects. John Casci has agreed to lead a project team

for next year. New members bring enthusiasm, skills and new ideas, which are the life blood of a good service club.

We have had many guests this year thanks to our members who are inviting friends and colleagues. We have had guests who have found us from Jacque Foreman's hard work on our website. We have done a good job reaching out to our speakers who live and work locally. In spite of all

this, we have not had many who (have yet) decided to join.

Not to worry. If we continue to invite people to our meetings, meet the needs of our community with service, welcome those who find us on the internet, and reach out to those who speak to us we will see new members.

Thanks for all you have been doing to share Rotary. ○

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(L to R) Lori Gagliardi, Instructor; Pierre Brizvela, Krystal Poblete, Katelyn Walker, Irving Reyes; and Tom Neiderer, Instructor



(L to R) Anndy Curieel; Ernesto Camacho, IV; Naramsen Shamoan Tomos, Del Razo



(L to R) Ismael Villa, Robert Aguilar, and Rima Barseghyan



(L to R) Lasha Aevilar; Rosemary Scott, Instructor; and Jeeremy Kusimoff

icprograms/vocational-ed.cfm .

In addition to the Vocational Awards, we also awarded four \$1500 PCC Veterans Scholarships. Working with Patricia D'Orange-Martin at the Veterans Resource Center at PCC, we were able to identify student veterans with high academic achievement and a history of service in their communities.



The Veterans Resource Center helps students with admissions and records, GI Bill Certification, Counseling, and other special services.

Those receiving the Veterans' Scholar-

ships were:

- Zabrina Patterson, who was born and raised in Altadena. She was in the Air Force, and maintains



- a 3.7 GPA.
- Byron Johnson is a Marine with overseas deployment. He maintains a 3.3 GPA.
- Ryan Ynzunza is also a Marine. He was deployed to Afghanistan, He maintains a 3.8 GPA -- Not in attendance.

- Cameron Peters was in the Army. He maintains a 3.1 GPA -- Not in attendance. ○

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19,168 miles (!) and \$2343 toward this goal (BTW: I spent a significant amount more than \$2343 for these tickets).

To make a long story short, I understand the physics of flying, but I am dumbfounded by the new math introduced by the airlines when calculating whether I will be subjected to the torture of flying economy next year. ○

You are Invited to Come and Observe
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for
Rotary District 5300
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SAN MARINO High School

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