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This Week George Falardeau Retired Senior Vice President of Real Estate & Operations Art Center College of Design Guest Program Host: Steve Cunningham

George Falardeau worked for Art Center from 1994 until he recently retired. His responsibilities included all aspects of real estate acquisition and land use management, including interfacing with California state and Pasadena city government officials as well as community leaders. In addition, he was responsible for the development of Art Center's 20-year Master Plan, which included — to name just a few areas — architecture and space planning, environment health and safety, campus security, copy center services, rapid prototyping and model shops, and many other service areas on and off the main campus.

For the previous 20 years, he worked for NBC TV, Burbank, where he was the Vice President of Facilities & Services West Coast.

Falardeau is a member of the Rotary Club of Pasadena and has served on the Please turn to This Week p. 3



by Steve Cunningham, President

Imagination

Lesson Six The Law of Success — In Sixteen Lessons by Napoleon Hill

Inagination is the workshop of the human mind wherein old ideas and established facts may be reassembled into new combinations and put to new uses. The modern dictionary defines *imagination* as follows:

- 1. The act of constructive intellect in grouping the materials of knowledge or thought into new, original and rational systems; the constructive or creative faculty; embracing poetic, artistic, philosophic, scientific and ethical imagination.
- 2. The picturing power of the mind; the formation of mental images, pictures, or mental representation of objects or ideas, particularly of objects of sense perception and of mathematical reasoning! also the reproduction and combination, usually with more or less irrational or abnormal modification, of the images or ideas of memory or recalled facts of experience.

Imagination has been called the creative power of the soul, but this is somewhat abstract and goes more deeply

into the meaning than is necessary from the viewpoint of a student of this course who wishes to use the course only as a means of attaining material or monetary advantages in life. ...

... Just as the oak tree develops from the germ that lies in the acorn, and the bird develops from the germ that lies asleep in the egg, so will your material achievements grow out of the organized plans that you create in your *imagination*. First comes the thought; then organization of that thought into ideas and plans; then transformation of those plans into reality. The beginning, as you will observe, is in

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Program Review

The Altadena Library It All started with One Bookshelf in the Study lounge of the Calaveras Street School



Unfortunately, the real review of our February 25 program on the Altadena Library Story and Mindy Kittay's craft talk

became irretrievably lost in a cyber black hole and never arrived in your editor's email. So an urgent cry for help was sent to Kittay, who graciously supplied her notes so an article could be written.

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Today we see our main Altadena Library on the corner of Santa Rosa (Christmas Tree Lane) and Mariposa, and some of us know that our library district is separate and **not** part of the large Los Angeles County Library system. But how it got there and why has been lost to us.

For her craft talk, Kittay gave us a brief history of the library, pulling back the curtains of time and giving us a glimpse of its beginning, which starts with the installation of a single book shelf — Imagine that ... a single book shelf — installed in the study lounge of the Calaveras Street School in 1908 by the Child Study Circle of Altadena. By 1916 it became a *proper* library as a branch of the county library system installed in the kindergarten of what was then the new Altadena School. Two years later, a second branch was started at the Andrew Jackson School.

It wasn't until July 01 of 1927 that the Altadena Library became an independent library district. [How interesting ... that independence for our library district would be so close to Independence Day for our country] At that time we had two branches — just like today, but not exactly. The

March Literacy

Program Chair, Kimmit Haggins March 03 - George Falardeau, Recent Retiree from being Vice President of Real Estate and Facilities, Art Center School of Design March 10 - To be Announced March 17 - To be Announced March 24 - To be Announced March 31 - To be Announced



main library was at 2366 N. Lake with a second branch at 2281 N. Lincoln. In 1961, the property at the southwest corner of Mariposa and Santa Rosa was purchased, and, six years later in 1967, the library as we know it was built.

It's with the coming of Head Librarian Mindy Kittay — about three years ago — that our Altadena Library started the process of becoming a centerpiece of Altadena life. That's right, it's not just miles

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by Craig Cox, Community Service Chair

Great Projects Serve the Community and Strengthen the Club



Several years ago your Rotary Club Board decided that service projects should have two objectives: serve the

community and strengthen the club. To this end we agreed to focus on hands-on projects. Hands-on projects can provide an opportunity to make a lasting difference. We have built two playgrounds at Burbank Elementary, constructed tent platforms for the Boy Scouts, refurbished and installed a playhouse at a children's center, installed benches at Eliot Middle School, and more. These projects continue to benefit people even after we pack up our tools and go home.

Hands-on projects also strengthen the club. Because these projects require planning we have a chance to meet together for a common purpose. This fosters teamwork and fellowship.

These projects also increase our presence in the community. As our public profile increases, service minded people can discover who we are and work with us as volunteers.

Our current project will be to install benches, trash cans and signage to the Altadena Library Low Water Demonstration Garden. If you have questions about how you can help talk to John Casci. 0

RYLA Needs Facilitators

This year RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) camp will be held at Thousand Pines Camp on April 15 – 17. District 5300 has increased the number of students attending from 288 to 324, and they are in need of our help. RYLA is one of the most exciting and rewarding programs in our District for both for he 11th graders as well as the Rotarians. RYLA has not only been effective for our youth but for all Rotarians who participate — in their Club leadership roles as well as their business and or personal lives. If you have yet to experience a Rotary Moment, this is the perfect opportunity to stack them up. If not, just go and have a great time!

The District needs 36 adult Facilitators. At the writing of the email sent to Foreman [February 26], they had 7 applications. There is more to being a Facilitator than filling out an application. YPT (Youth Protection Training) is a requirement by RI and our District along with a background check. Facilitator training will be provided. See below for the dates.

A facilitator application link is embedded in your personal notification about RYLA and the forwarded email from Jacque Foreman,. For your convenience, Khoury has asked that the application be sent to her upon completion. Please sign the application and scan it as a PDF. Foreman has said that she will be forwarding a copy of the email she received from Khoury to the members of Altadena Rotary.

If you are planning on attending, please select one of the following Facilitator/ Continent Leader training sessions and register on the district site or through your personal email. Only ONE training session is mandatory.

- March 5 Southern Nevada RYLA Facilitator/Continent Leader Training
- March 12 California RYLA Facilitator/Continent Leader training
- March 26 California RYLA /Continent Leader training Meeting

Want to learn more about RYLA? Here is a link to the RYLA page of our District website: < http://www.district5300.org/

ryla.html>

Have questions, please contact: Raghada Khoury, Facilitator Coordinator 760-559-3244 raghada@khourvent.net Ο

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your *imagination*.

The imagination is both interpretative and creative in nature. It can examine facts, concepts and ideas, and it can create new combinations and plans out of these.

Through is interpretative capacity the imagination has one power not generally attributed to it; namely, the power to register vibrations and thought waves that are put into motion from outside sources, just as the radio-receiving apparatus picks up the vibrations of sound. The principle through which this interpretative capacity of the imagination functions is called telepathy; the communication of thought from one mind to another, at long or short distances, without the aid of physical or mechanical appliances. ...

Telepathy is an important factor to a student who is preparing to make effective use of a student who is preparing to make effective use of imagination, for the reason that this telepathic capacity of the imagination is constantly picking up thought waves and vibrations of every description. So-called *snap-judgment* and *hunches*, which prompt one to form an opinion or decide upon a course of action that is not in harmony with logic and reason, are usually the result of stray thought waves that have registered in the imagination.

The recently developed radio apparatus has enabled us to understand that the elements of the ether are so sensitive and alive that all manner of sound waves are constantly flying here and there with lighting-like speed. You have only to understand the modern radio outfit to understand, also, the principle of telepathy. So well has this principle been established, through psychological research, that we have abundance of proof that two minds which are properly attuned and in harmony with each other may send receive thought at long distances without the aid

of [a] mechanical apparatus of any sort. Rarely have two minds become so well attuned that unbroken chains of thought could be registered in this manner, but there is evidence sufficient to establish the fact that parts of organized thought have been picked up.

That you may understand how closely interwoven are the fifteen factors upon which this Reading Course is based, consider, for example, what happens when a salesman who lacks confidence in himself, and in his goods, walks in to see a prospective buyer. Whether the prospective buyer is conscious of it or not, his imagination immediately senses that lack of confidence in the salesman's mind.

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of books on shelves, CDs and things that can be checked out and taken home and enjoyed for a while and then returned. No. our library is becoming a place for teens to gather and make use of the increased wifi to go on the internet 24/7 — even when the library doors are shut. The library's new, increased wifi (to 1G) is available for tapping into in the outside patio and garden areas as well as inside. And she has started special classes for teens on such things as film making, clothing design, sewing, and soon on 3-d printing — looking forward to library supporters of the future.

Kittay has instituted something she calls Second Saturdays. On the second Saturday of each month she assembles a special program that includes live music, food and, from the Altadena Ale House, some adult beverages for your enjoyment.

If you are traveling and need a passport, you'll be happy to know that the main branch of the library has increased its hours for providing them. And she's The salesman's own thoughts are actually undermining his efforts. This will explain, from another angle, why self-confidence is one of the most important factors entering into the great struggle for success.

The principle of telepathy and the law of attraction, through which like attracts like, explain many a failure. If the mind has a tendency to attract from the ether those thought vibrations which harmonize with the dominating thoughts of a given mind, you can easily understand why a negative mind that dwells upon failure and lacks the vitalizing force of self-confidence would not attract a positive mind that is dominated by thoughts of success.... \bigcirc

doing this at a time when our local post office has stopped providing passports.

Kittay has several concurrent plans for improving the library and making it more relevant in our lives. The illustrative low water-use garden is most likely only Altadena Rotary's most current involvement as the library is transformed into an anchor-point of Altadena life. There is little doubt that there will be more co-operative projects in the future. Ο

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Board of Directors of several local charity organizations and corporations. He is a veteran of the US Coast Guard and a member of the American Legion.

Falardeau will be speaking to us about the intricacies of working with City Government Officials in the areas of land acquisition, building structural and safety requirements and how these considerations interact with the intended use requirements of specific structures. \bigcirc