## ROTARY RUMBLES November 15, 2012

IMPORTANT: WE WILL BE DARK this Thursday, November 29 due to scheduling conflicts. Those who did not get the message or forgot can congregate in the hotel bar.

Pres. Terry called the meeting to some semblance of order, and asked Jim Sweeney to lead the pledge and Chungsam to offer the invocation and lead "America the Beautiful." Harold spoke of the meaning of the song and especially of the second, seldom heard, verse.

Guests were numerous: Phil Urbina of High Noon Club. Toby Ferguson and Jeff Segall (Tri-City Hospital Foundation), Spouses Mike Ballard, Chantal, Suzanne, and Maribel. E Club represented by Nick Pollard and Amanda Wertz. The Hawthorn's niece, Heather, and Eddie Quinn of the Padres.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: The festivities start at 5 PM this Friday, November 30 at Garcia's 2 in Encinitas (Encinitas Blvd just East of El Camino Real, behind Ford.) We'll be baking cookies, or watching others bake cookies while drinking Margaritas. Sunday, December 2, will be the Tree lighting ceremony with Santa Claus greeting the kids. Remember the cookies from Friday? That's where we'll eat 'em! Santa arrives at 3pm. Our club is also providing free Santa photos to all comers.

Phil Urbina of the High Noon Club represented the Carlsbad Christmas Bureau. We donated \$500. Phil says there are 500 families signed up. Check their website at <a href="mailto:christmasbureau.org">christmasbureau.org</a> for ways to help.

Ray Pearson still needs debate judges for next weekend (Dec 1 & 2). Call him if you can help.

Chantal, as is customary for the "First Lady," invites all to the annual Christmas Party on Thursday, December 20 at our usual meeting spot. Evites have been sent to all members, so please be sure to respond. If you didn't get yours, let her know. Social time starts at 5:45, with dinner served at 6:30.

Paul Harris Fellowships were awarded to Nick Pollard, anesthesiologist who supports Thousand Smiles, and Amanda Wertz, founding member of the United Service E-Club. It's a multiple award for Amanda.

Russ, whose outgoing, warm personality, finds the most interesting people, introduced Eddie Quinn of the San Diego Padres. Eddie is a University of Oregon graduate who majored in sports business, and is a customer service specialist. His responsibility is to sell season tickets and tend to the needs of Russ and his fellow season ticket holders. Eddie also explained an extensive marketing program offered by the Padres.

**Upcoming Events** 

November 29 DARK

November 30 Cookie Baking at Garcia's 2 in Encinitas 5:30

December 2nd, 2012 Christmas Tree Lighting

December 6th, 2012 Rotary Club Meeting (Annual Meeting, elections)

Pgm: Csbd Foundation

December 11th, 2012 Board Meeting

December 13th, 2012 Rotary Club Meeting (Children's Christmas Party)
December 20th, 2012 Rotary Club Meeting (Christmas Party) Bro Benno's

December 27th, 2012 Dark -- Christmas week