

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF OCEAN HILLS

President Barbara Hazlett called the meeting to order at 1:05PM. She led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests: Barbara introduced the guests and City officials.

Speaker: Summer Stephan, San Diego County District Attorney, gave a most informative talk on the duties and scope of the District Attorney's office. The Court Room in the United States is the symbol of democracy in America. America is the best nation in the world. The purpose of the D.A. is to help prevent crime and punish criminals. The D.A. office has over one thousand employees. District Attorney Stephan has three main focuses. Human Trafficking: 80% of all human trafficking is domestic rather than foreign. Sex traffickers look for the vulnerable. It is a \$810,000 dollar a year enterprise. A study shows that 90% of the cases are from 20 high schools in San Diego County. Foster children are the most at risk. Much more needs to be done. Crimes against Seniors: Too many seniors are abused or robbed. The third major focus is the Opioid Epidemic: The death rate in San Diego is epidemic. People become addicted to pain killers. Efforts are being made to prevent, teach, and get more control over this problem. Summer has been in the D.A. office for 27 years and is running for re election. This truly is her passion.

Treasurers report and Minutes: Copies of each were on the tables. The motion was made to approve the minutes. There were no corrections or additions. The motion was seconded and approved by acclamation.

Membership: Chairman Elaine Kowalik stated the Club has 90 members. Applications for membership were available.

Programs and Newsletter: Chairman Don Squires e mailed the Club Newsletter to all members. He announced the speakers for future meetings: Superior Court Judge Steven Bailey, candidate for State Attorney General, will speak at the November 15 meeting, there is no December meeting, Councilman Jerry Kern, Candidate for County Board of Supervisors, will speak on January 17. He will install the 2018 Club Officers at that time and Chairman Squires is working diligently to have major office candidates for future meetings.

Correspondence: Secretary Barbara Barrera sent a thank you note to Sandra Waecker, birthday cards to members with October birthdays. Barbara also sent welcome letters to new members.

Telephone Committee: Chairman Colleen Vogel introduced the Callers and thanked them for the great job they do each month, helping to insure a large turnout.

Precincts: Chairman Mike Richardson stated the Club must become very involved in organizing the grassroots movement. The Democrats are working diligently in the Indivisibles and the Resistance. Both organizations are left and wish to take out all Republicans from office. The need is great, and we have this opportunity now to get Republicans in the OHCC to know each other and to become effective in this battle. Board members will have coffees in their individual precincts. Republicans and Undeclared will be invited. Mike made available the precinct lists for OHCC.

Publicity: The Club is in need of a webmaster.

New business: Carl De Mayo will be the speaker at the NCRC. He will speak on the efforts to repeal the Gas Tax. The California Republican Party will have its fall meeting in Anaheim on October ———. Steve Bannon will be the main speaker.

Nominating Committee: Chairman Judy Buoniconti presented the slate of officers for 2018. There were no nominations from the floor. The motion was made to approve the slate. The motion was seconded and approved by acclamation.

Judy Buoniconti conducted the Opportunity Drawing. Lucky winners won white and red wine, plus dark chocolate.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Sally Booth