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CLUB OF MISSION VIEJO

MADNESS NEWSLETTER—DECEMBER 20, 2020

WHAT'S AHEAD

NO ZOOM MEETINGS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, DEC. 22 & 29.

Zoom meetings will start again on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 8 a.m. when we hope to have Mayor Trish Kelley speaking.

The Board of Directors will meet on Jan. 12.

Funds are earmarked for GoPros

The Club is sending a check for \$500 to the Science Heads group to help replace cameras lost in the recent launch of a High Altitude Balloon with student science experiments aboard.

This is part of the Club's ongoing support for **STEM** learning for local students.

CANDY LADY



GAYLE WOOD of the city's Marine and Sailor Adoption Committee, picked up seven cases of 1 lb.-boxes of candy for the troops. She reports See's will go to one unit based in Afghanistan, one to a contingent currently aboard ship and some also to Marines stationed at Camp Pendleton.

MEMBER MUSINGS

STEPHANIE happily notes that improvements to the Oso Creek Golf Course are being paid for from profits not city funding after it was learned that the former owner was diverting profits from the course to unrelated areas.

DEBBIE reported she is on the mend from surgery and looking forward to doctors OKing regular showering.

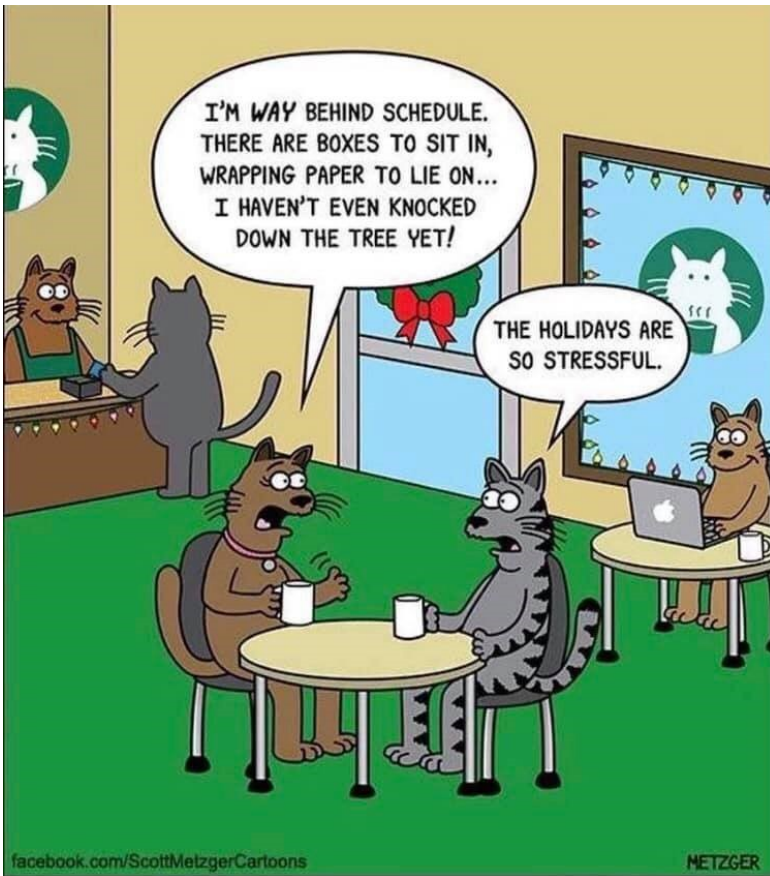
GREG lamented UCLA's loss to USC after a fourth quarter lapse. He was sad, but now "recovering." **KEITH** opined that the final result was "never in doubt!"

KEITH also noted that he was starting to enjoy some cycle outings. "Things are going great."

STEPHANIE has also been on bicycle adventures although of a virtual nature. Last week she bicycled through London on her stationary bike along with thousands of others.

WARREN and members of his cat clowder were thrilled with the new cat tree and kibble from by **Ollie** after his cat, Tigger, snubbed both items.

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At Tuesday's Meeting...

MEMBERS—Bill, Sharon, Warren, Ollie, Jeff, Stephanie, Greg, Pete, Rod, Martha, Pat, Hugh, Keith, Larry, Kathy and Debbie.

GUESTS—None.

SONG—"Santa Claus is Coming to Town" featuring Fred Astaire. From a 1970 video with singing by the Westminster Children's Choir. Selected by Rod.

WORDS OF WISDOM—Author Norman Cousins: "The human body experiences a powerful gravitational pull in the direction of hope."

—Selected by Jeff

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PETE was happy to report that friends who had dog-sat his Tyson while his family was at their timeshare and wanted a dog of their own finally got their wish. You may recall that the kids asked their parents if they could get a dog that could see and hear. Hopefully it also has Tyson's sweet personality.

BILL found an unusual gift for his household at Christmas in the form of a bill from the plumber to take care of a sewer backup.

PAT noted the fabulous holiday lights in a neighborhood off Chiapas which happens to be Rod's colorful neighborhood.

ROD was generous in praising another neighborhood which at

long last dethroned his home turf for first place in the Mission Viejo Christmas decorating contest. "They've been nipping at our heels for a bit, but second place isn't bad," he noted.

MARTHA was happy to report that she is heading home to Peru at Christmas to spend the holiday with her mother in Lima where the country has been in an upheaval with three Presidents and the devastating COVID impacts on health and the economy. "The government doesn't provide financial relief."

JEFF reports that he and **SUSAN** are heading to Palm Springs after a very reduced Christmas at home where family members

FINANCIAL REPORT—The Club has a balance of \$753.59 in the Administrative "A" Account following the payment of annual dues to Kiwanis International and the California-Nevada-Hawaii Kiwanis District.

The Charitable Giving "E" Account has a balance of \$20,335.33 which includes funds in the amount of \$1,109.62 being held for the Mission Viejo High School Key Club.

SEE'S SELLING—The Club made a profit of \$2,805.60 selling See's Candy through the online "Yum-raising" program, Freedom Village sales and through Member Pre-Sales organized by Pete.

The Club may try selling online through the See's site again as part of the Mother's Day observance in May.