



East Wind

**The Santa Rosa East
Rotary Club Newsletter**
"The Crown Jewel of District 5130"

February 18, 2020



**Next week's (2/25) meeting
will be at Legends.**

**We will not be at the Children's
Museum until March 3.**

Prelude . . .

President TomJ welcomed members and guests to the meeting at Legends.

The meeting began with MikeR leading the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.



JeffS had a thought for the day “I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.”

LarryL led the congregation in “Hail, Hail,”

Visitors to the meeting were: Vicki Whiting, Mike Stevar, Martin Wolfe, Mark Neumann, Jenean Thom and Nate Gulbransen.

On to the meeting . . .



Big Check Time — A big check in the amount of \$1,000 was presented to Vicki Whiting of [*Kid Scoop News*](#). *Kid Scoop News* is full of current events, brain teasers, STEM lessons and much more for Sonoma County students.

KenC had a birthday. Because he was sick, he celebrated by sending text messages to relatives. He brought a check for \$100 to ring the bell.

DanD had a wedding anniversary on Valentine’s Day. Another \$100 bell ringer.

DanL celebrates his 3rd year in SRE, plus 24 years in another club.



Big Check Time (Continued) — A big check (\$1,500) was also presented to Jenean Thom and **Free To Be**. It is a non-profit organization that provides character-based, youth development education for preteens and teens, taught by young adult staff, middle school and high school aged Peer Educators.

JimA scolded President TomJ for forgetting his birthday. It was on the 17th. JimA donated \$70 to his Paul Harris.

JimW had \$25 Happy Dollars for his wife's birthday.

JoeM had \$2 for being able to taste Pliney the Younger.

BanaS had her baby. Congratulations!

KimMcD had \$5 for having Leslie Chauncy at today's meeting as a corporate member under her business.



Big Check Time (Continued) — A big check (\$900) was also presented to Cindy Pasko of **The Living Room**. The Living Room offers drop-in day services Monday through Friday to women and children who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. **[Click here to learn more.](#)**



A Celebration of Life will be held for Tom Chauncy at noon on March 14, 2020, at St. Rose Hall, 398 Tenth Street, Santa Rosa.

The District Training Assembly will be held at the Finley Center on Saturday, April 11, 2020. The training begins with a continental breakfast at 8 am and the program starts at 8:30 am. Lunch is included. The cost is \$50 (club will reimburse you). Look for an e-mail with information on how to register.

The annual fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, March 21, 2020. Payment for attendance should be made by cash, check or credit card at Club meetings. If you can, please avoid paying via the event website. This will save us a transaction fee.



Did you know . . .



Rotary has always had a wheel as its symbol. The wheel was said to illustrate "Civilization and Movement." In 1922, it was decided that all Rotary clubs should adopt a single design as the exclusive emblem of Rotarians. In 1923, the gear wheel, with 24 cogs and six spokes was adopted by the "Rotary International Association." A group of engineers advised that the geared wheel was mechanically unsound and would not work without a "keyway" in the center of the gear to attach it to a power shaft. So, in 1923 the keyway was added and the design which we now know was formally adopted as the official Rotary International emblem. (From Rotary eClub One)



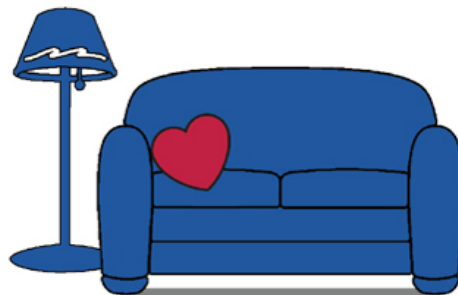
Program

Cindy Pasko, Executive Director of the Living Room, talked to the club about The Living Room's work with homeless women, and those at risk of becoming homeless, in Sonoma County.



From their [web page](#) . . .

“The women and children who come to The Living Room are diverse in experience, age, race, ethnicity, culture, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, education and socioeconomic background. TLR participants may have varying degrees of physical and mental health challenges, may struggle with substance abuse and may have complex trauma histories. Our aim is to create a welcoming safe environment where participants can rest, rejuvenate and work towards stability. Our staff and volunteers are deeply dedicated to treating every woman and child who comes to The Living Room with kindness, dignity and compassion.”



The Living Room