

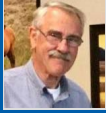


Club Meeting

Southwest Eureka
Meets at Via Zoom
Teleconferencing
Members Contact Elan Firpo
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Time: Friday at 12:30 PM

Club Leaders



John Vandermolen
President



Elizabeth Ennis
President-Elect



Elan Firpo
Secretary



Vinson Champ
Treasurer



Cynthia Denbo
Public Relations
Chair



Mark McGowan
Rotary
Foundation Chair



Scott Pesch
Membership
Chair



Rick Roberts
Sergeant-at-Arms



Haider Ajina
Lyme Tap Chair



Daniel Brown
Community
Service Chair



Nancy Kay
Club Service
Chair

Martin L. Lay
International
Service Chair

Rotary Club of Southwest Eureka Sou'wester December 11, 2020

By: Marie Liscom
Photos by: Mary Crumley

Pledge and Thought for the Day: President John Vandermolen delayed the call to order by a matter of seconds while Lorna Peterson let her cat out. Lorna then led us in the pledge and gave a Thought for the Day by giving thanks for and recognizing the heroes of our medical community who have been working so hard during the COVID-19 crisis.



Visitors: Our only visitor was speaker Martha Shanahan who is the Community Health Investment Director for Saint Joseph and Redwood Memorial Hospitals.

John provided a **Rotary Minute** about Rotary's history in the polio eradication effort. Campaigns to vaccinate go back as far as 1979-80, with the establishment of Polio Plus in 1985. By 1988 Rotary had raised \$247 million and started a global initiative the World Health Organization. It is estimated that 19 million people have been spared from the effects of polio through our efforts.



Meghann M Broadstock
Vocational
Service Chair



Kenneth S Singleton
iPast President



Mary L. Crumley
Assistant
Governor

Events / Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays



Lewis Quinby
December 19th



Songmi Sweet
December 20th



Roland Johnson
December 20th



William Gillespie
December 22nd



Greg Dale
December 27th



Kristin Blair
December 29th



Scott Hammond
January 2nd

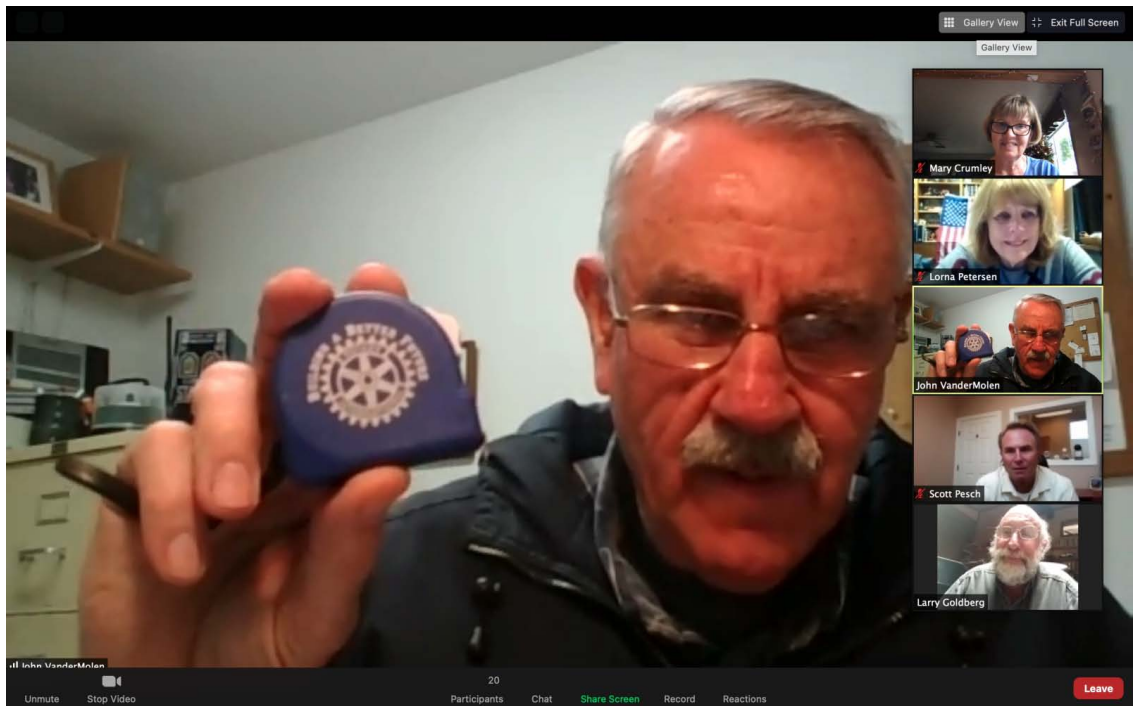


Roger Lorenzetti
January 3rd



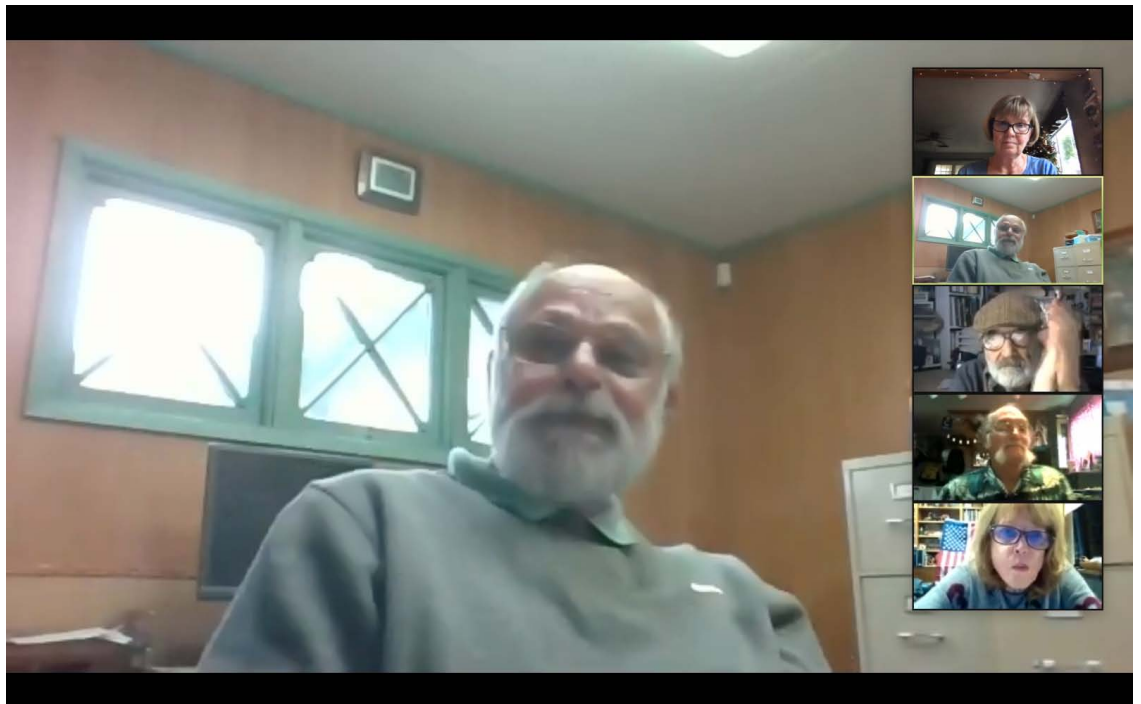
Haider Ajina
January 4th

John R. Goff
January 8th



Announcements:

Past President Ken Singleton announced that all of the candidates on the ballot were elected. Voter turnout was low but the election was successful. Thanks to Eddie Morgan for creating the e-ballot.



Mike Newman is looking for one person per week through the end of February to pick up the **Backpacks for Kids** bags on Thursday and deliver to Lafayette Elementary on Friday. Look for a sign-up e-mail. Starting in March a crew of volunteers will be needed each week to pack.



Kenneth G. Davlin
January 10th



Mark McGowan
January 11th



Scott Pesch announced that **Yahtzee** is happening in one month. It will be a Zoom event and tickets can be purchased on swrotary.org at \$25 per person. The beneficiary will be the Journey Bag program which provides foster kids with supplies they will need when moving from one home to the another. The goal is to net \$18,000.



President John announced a **Cocktail Social** via Zoom next Friday evening at 5:30pm. Please join your fellow Rotarians in some good cheer before we go dark for the remainder of 2020.

Recognitions:

Mary Crumley gave \$25 to the Foundation in recognition of her birthday which started with a walk at the Humboldt Bay Wildlife Refuge.



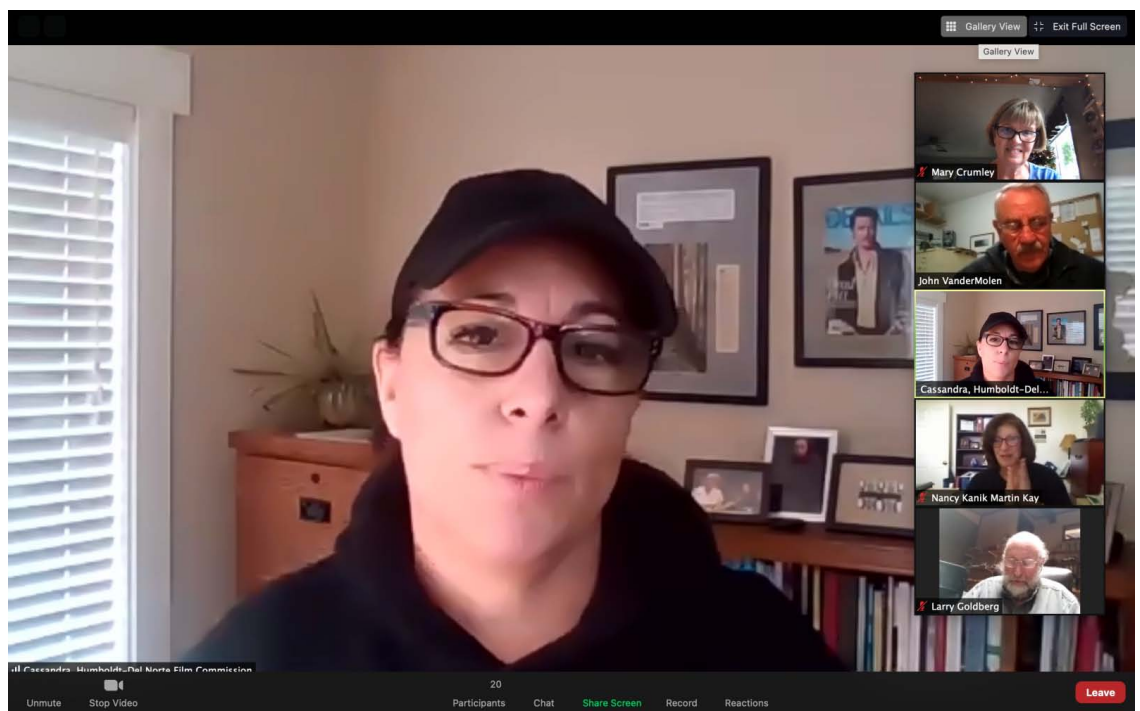
Don Chin and Rick Roberts were each fined \$25 in absentia for a birthday and anniversary, respectively.

Shameless Self Promotion:

Larry Goldberg tapped out in recognition of the sale of his parent's home which took two years to prepare for sale. Well done!



Cassandra Hesseltine contributed \$25 and told us that filming in the last three months brought \$2.3 million into our economy, and that is before any multiplier is applied. Congratulations!

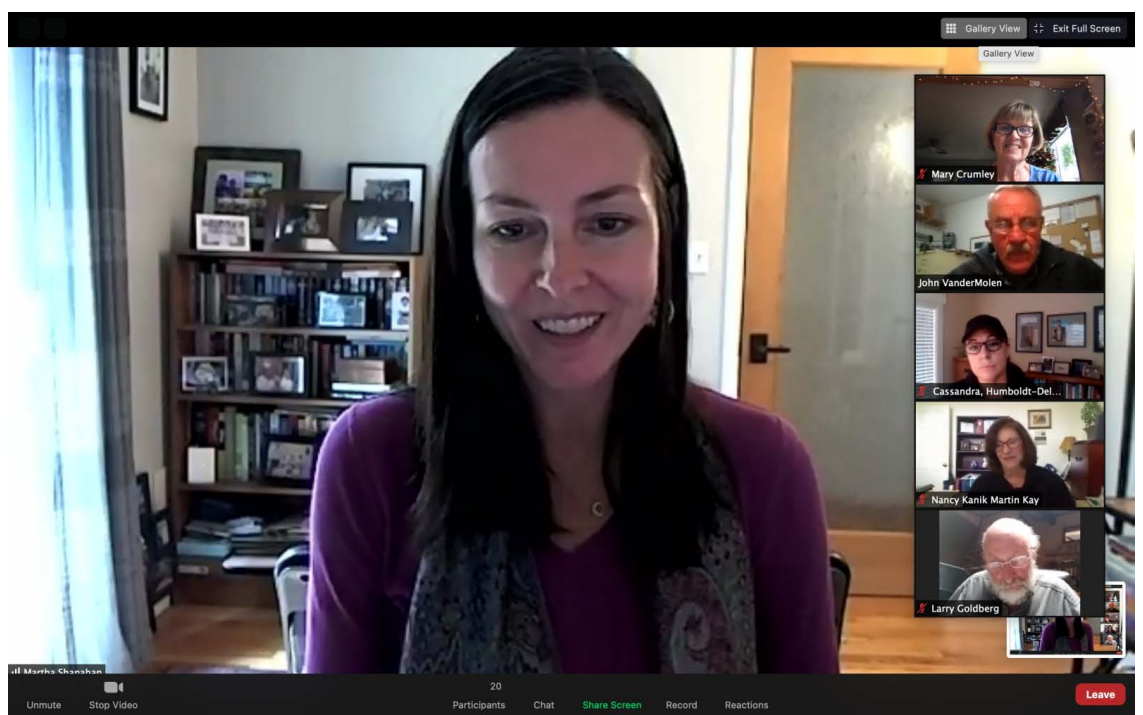


Program:

Nancy Kay introduced Martha Shanahan who spoke to us about the Community Health Investment Program at St. Joseph and Redwood Memorial Hospitals. The program is dedicated to poor and vulnerable populations in our county.

A Health Needs Assessment is conducted every three years, with safe and affordable housing always at the top of the list. There are many in our community who are not able to manage a healthy lifestyle due to lack of funding for monthly rent. Mental illness and substance abuse add to the problem. The affiliation with Providence Hospitals has helped additional funding become available for affordable housing.

Two projects were highlighted: Onyx Apartments with 10 units and a second phase planned. Humboldt Inn will provide 42 studio units with rental subsidy from the Housing Authority (construction be begin in May 2021).



Closing Remarks: Don't forget our Holiday Cocktail Social next Friday, December 18th via Zoom at 5:30pm. Christmas hats encouraged!
