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## **MEETING NOTES: July 10, 2019**

President Jim Olson called the meeting to order.

<u>Visitors:</u> Jim Olson's wife, Antoinette and John Rice's wife, Fiona, were in the house as was Claire Wolf, chair of the Rossmoor Fund, Mike Park, our guest speaker and Tom Pruitt.



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<u>Sunshine:</u> Shel is in hospice. Ed G. is at Manor Care with hip fracture.

Thought of the Day: A Queen video of 'We are the Champions" was shown to honor the members who helped with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic and was successful in raising \$5,500.00



Happy Dollars: Joy celebrated the Rotary international conference.

Patrice enjoyed a family weekend in Oregon. Nancy was excited to see a live bear near her residence and visited

with her grandchildren. **Jim O.** was pleased with the July 4<sup>th</sup> BBQ. **Dick** was happy and sad – happy that his biopsy was negative and sad about his sister's death. **Pat Z.** reported that her husband's health has improved. Mike Park was proud of the Sintaro Project. **Bob S.** was looking forward to playing trumpet at the Lafayette Reservoir on Saturday evening at 6 PM. **Jim Olson** was happy about the U.S. Women's Soccer win.

Happy Birthdays went to Jackie Giffin, Fumi Suzuki, Howard Hoyt, Roger Pickering, Dick Hamlish, and Harvey Gilbert.



<u>Raffle</u>: The raffle of hamburger buns went to **Don**. **Jann** and **Jim** each won a free lunch. Now have \$612 on hand.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



President Jim shared his history with us. As a young child, he was stricken with tuberculosis and was saved through the generosity of a veterans group who provided streptomycin. Later, he worked for the health department. Jim was

married to first wife for thirty-four years. She died, but her family has produced twelve children and eighteen grandchildren. Now, he is remarried to Antoinette who is very involved with charitable work. Our very own **Joy Alaidarous** introduced them.

#### **PROGRAM**

Joy and Mike Park addressed the current progress



being made by the Sintaro Program in Ethiopia. Originally, children were faced with malnutrition, disease, and unlivable homes. Through the help of Rotary, they have served some 3,500 people in the village and have made great progress with childhood

education, clean water, clean and acceptable food, hygiene, disease prevention and treatment, English instruction, and overall improved self-sufficiency.

Ethiopia is a country of 90 million people - 62% are Christians and the rest are Muslims and Orthodox. We have taken pride in the progress achieved in spiritual and medical development. Future plans include building schools and classrooms. The cost of sponsoring a child is \$40 per month.



#### **CALENDAR**

Today	Mayor Cindy Silva – Walnut Creek Current Affairs
July 24	Joyce Tucker – Blackhawk Museum, Chinese and Natural History Exhibits
July 31	Fred Kern – Rossmoor Technology Committee