



MEETING NOTES: July 8, 2020

Call to Order: Jim Olson convened the meeting.

Sunshine: Nancy reported that Gene Wilson, our former president, is doing well.

Thought for the Day: Friendship Week elicited a few thoughts. It seems that everyone needs a friend to act goofier than them and everyone needs to be loved. Holding hands is needed. Money does not buy you class.

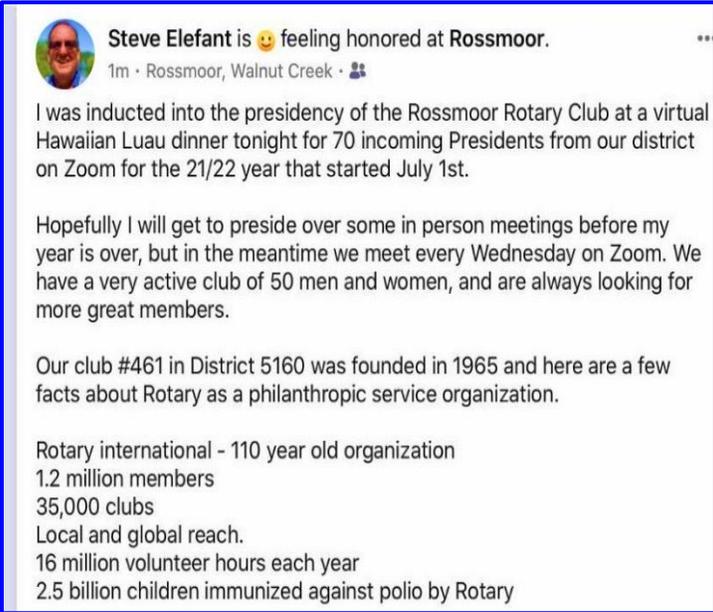
Happy Dollars: David Brown, Ruth, Irv, Jim Olson, Brox, Joy, and Patrice contributed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rossmoor News Feature: A presidential report was submitted by Jim Olson.

Project Second Chance: David Brown indicated that Project Second Chance needed computers for their people.

As Seen on Facebook, Saturday, July 11:



Steve Elefant is feeling honored at Rossmoor. 1m · Rossmoor, Walnut Creek · 🌐

I was inducted into the presidency of the Rossmoor Rotary Club at a virtual Hawaiian Luau dinner tonight for 70 incoming Presidents from our district on Zoom for the 21/22 year that started July 1st.

Hopefully I will get to preside over some in person meetings before my year is over, but in the meantime we meet every Wednesday on Zoom. We have a very active club of 50 men and women, and are always looking for more great members.

Our club #461 in District 5160 was founded in 1965 and here are a few facts about Rotary as a philanthropic service organization.

- Rotary international - 110 year old organization
- 1.2 million members
- 35,000 clubs
- Local and global reach.
- 16 million volunteer hours each year
- 2.5 billion children immunized against polio by Rotary

PROGRAM



Mallory Moench, staff writer for the San Francisco Chronicle, covers health care workers and hospitals during the coronavirus pandemic. She has become an expert in Covid-19 issues.

There has been an increase in overall Covid cases. As of Tuesday, July 7th, California recorded more than 9,018 new coronavirus cases, a record-breaking daily count. The Bay Area counties documented 470 new cases, for a total of

30,862. The outbreak continues to surge across the state with a total of 283,750 cases statewide. California also recorded the third-highest daily count of deaths – 111- on Tuesday, 8 of those coming from the Bay Area.

This is largely due to much more testing of young people. This also may be due to more people gathering in large groups. They think that the reason that more cases are testing positive, is that many more people are testing positive, but, also, many more are being tested.

Coronavirus cases among youth appear to be driving the nation's surge. Young people between 18 and 29 are filling more hospital beds than at the start of the pandemic, with a 299% increase in hospitalizations from mid-April to late June, according to a UCSF analysis of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data. At UCSF, 14% of people in the same age range who tested positive through the health system needed inpatient care.

Child infection rates are quite small, mostly because children are not being tested in high frequency. It has also been found that children have a low likelihood of spreading the virus even if they have it. There is, in general, no increased rate in children and they are not spreading the disease.

There is a 50% increase in regular and ICU beds for both Covid and Non-Covid cases. There is also an increase in ICU admissions, especially those who have been denied access to medical care. Our county shows an increase in overall tested and positive cases.

The percentages of Covid-related hospital cases in California are low, 2 - 12%. In Contra Costa County, only about 2% of hospital cases are Covid. UCSF is also not seeing a major surge in Covid cases. Most hospitals are practicing according to guidelines, and a few like UCSF are excellent.

Many nurses and other health care workers have been affected by Covid. Some SF General nurses said the rise in infections, while representing a similar community spike, was also the result of an environment where it is hard to social distance and not all workers are tested. Nurses estimated dozens of people come through the small break room that has lockers, showers, and a table for eating — which cannot be done while wearing a mask.

Other states in the U.S. have been resistant to following recommended guidelines. For example, the governor of Florida has encouraged opening schools, saying that their severity rate of the disease is not as serious as most believe. Many have politicized adherence to Covid-19 precautions.

CALENDAR

Today	Candace Andersen – Supervisor, District 2
July 21	Ariel Mercado – BART Today