



MEETING NOTES: May 20, 2020

Call to Order: Jim Olson called the virtual meeting to order.

Thought for the Day: Great thoughts were shared, such as: Be kind. Pray if you cannot help. Do not try to get even with others. Love helps all.

Five Minute Bio: Wolfgang Meier was born in Germany in 1933 and left school after 6th grade in Germany. In 1954, he moved to Canada where he began working for stockbrokers. Later, he moved to the United States where he worked for Dean Witter and Union Bank. He has gone on fourteen missions to Guatemala to help others.

Happy Dollars: Chuck, Brox, Patrice, Tilly, Jann, and Dale were among those giving happy dollars. Happy dollar donations will go straight to the Club if they are more than fifty dollars.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Website: John has changed the website to permit donations to go to the Club directly.

The Quilters Club has distributed 1138 masks that they made to local charities and directly to homes thus far. They also make and donate quilts.

Acknowledgements: The Food Bank has recognized us for the \$5,000 we initially gave them. We will be sending another \$3,000 from the sale of a Cars Second Chance donation. Also, the Alzheimer's Fund gives 100% of their donations to research projects and they recognized us as well.

Youth Service Day is May 20th.

Club Dues: Our dues will remain stable, but we will be taking in less money due to event cancellations and our zoom meetings versus the weekly lunches.

A Social Meet and Greet will be held at Mitzi Bray's home on Friday at 10 AM.

Vacancies: We have two vacancies on the Board of Directors and we also need a new Chief.

PROGRAM

Paul Schieffer, Senior Director of Sustainability for Amy's Foods, gave a thorough presentation. Amy's is a family-owned, privately held company that manufactures three hundred healthy organic vegetarian and non-GMO convenience and frozen foods including low salt, gluten-free, and multi-ethnic products. "Healthy Eating" is their motto. Their products have been available in most grocery stores. but now the company is starting a stand-alone business here called Amy's Drive Thru.

Amy's is concerned about the planet's health as it relates to global warming. The temperature of the planet has gone up because of the increased use of fossil fuels. This relates to the CO2 levels. Global warming is also the cause of water shortages. Amy's is concerned with healing the planet. As such, they have adopted three main strategies to run their company – 1.) People, 2.) Performance, and 3.) Planetary Health. They are focusing on environmentally responsive practices like becoming 100% solar, water conservation, biodiversity, working with growers, and continually striving for less wasteful packaging. They value their employees and treat them like family. This year they have given away 300,000 free lunches to the community.

CALENDAR

May 27 (Zoom)	Lauren Jonas – Diablo Ballet Performances 2020
June 3 (Zoom)	Andy Hoffman - Cryptocurrencies