



MEETING NOTES: March 10, 2021

Call to Order: Joy led the pledge of allegiance. The patriotic song was the National Anthem from super bowl 2020. Special welcome to Alamo Rotary members Co-Presidents Joan Grimes and Beth Randall, also Beth and Bill Randall, Greg Schuyler, Jack Thompson, Steve Collins, and Brad Gai, as we celebrate a joint meeting each year our long association with Alamo. Joan talked about Rossmoor Rotary's role in chartering their club 50 years ago. She thanked us for our continuing support.

Sunshine: Jean D. talked to Ruth R. still recovering from her fall fortunately at home but having to wear a neck brace for several weeks.

Thought for the Day:

Happy Dollars: Bill Broxham for getting his second vaccination. Tillie Schiller because she was so impressed by the work of SC in Cambodia. And David Brown for his appreciation Rossmoor Rotary, Alamo Rotary, and Sustainable Cambodia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday to Gary Smith; Sharon Long; Edie Sandberg, Jack Thompson, David Fills, and Beth Riseman.

We have been having trouble with Dacdb getting out emails announcing the weekly bulletin. We are working to resolve the problem.

BBQ FUNDRAISER

Saturday, March 13, 2021. Our first fundraiser looks to be a full and worthwhile event.

"PETS" THOUGHTS

President-elect Bill Broxham gave a few comments about his experience. It was very **educational**. He learned a lot about where to go for information about the District and RI. Whom to connect with. Who has responsibility for what? There was lots of "rah rah" to excite members. Learning adaptability was emphasized particularly when the "Zoom" breakout sessions did not work and the District Governors had

to adapt to the circumstance of monitoring "chats" from over 500 attendees.

His main regret was that Rotarians could not meet in person to schmooze.

Steve Elefant, Joan Grimes and Beth Randall commented on the great speakers present and that in many ways Zoom makes it easier to reach out to them.

PROGRAM



Paul Stringham, Rotary Club of Salt Lake City. Paul gave a substantive talk about the non-profit 501C3 organization, **Care for Cambodia** which helps to fund **Sustainable Cambodia**. **SC** founded in 2001 is engaged in numerous animal pass-on programs-the sharing between families of two animals, water, educational and village empowerment projects.

Helping Cambodians Rebuild Cambodia



Paid staff for **SC** are all Cambodians. **SC** works with families in rural Cambodia. The country was devastated during the Khmer Rouge regime between 1975-79. Most of the educated populace were killed in the genocide. Since then, **SC** has been assisting families in rebuilding their lives. Paul's family and

members of the **Church of Christ Latter Day Saints** have been instrumental in helping to improve the lives of deserving families.

Cambodians first learned about **Rotary** in 2006 and first Rotary Club was founded in **Pusat**. **SC** declares that it is not an “**aid**” organization, but an **empowerment** organization whose purpose is to rebuild Cambodia. With the cooperation from within the country and by over 120 international Rotary Clubs, comprehensive work has improved the quality of life, helped to acquire fresh water, improved sanitation, irrigation, agriculture, skills and income generation.

Empowerment has focused on girls and young women. **Rotaract** has been involved in all **SC** activities. Of interest, 400-450 students from Salt Lake have gone to Cambodia to help.

Since 2004, **SC** unique model has helped tens of thousands of Cambodian men, women and children rebuild their shattered lives.

If you want to get involved contact:
USoffice@sustainablecambodia.org

CALENDAR

Mar 17	In lieu of regular meeting there will be a St. Patrick's party. Irish music, limericks, trivia and prizes. Don't forget to wear green.
Mar 24	Las Lomas students speech contest