

ROSSMOOR ROTARY

NEWS



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MEETING NOTES: October 20, 2021

Call to Order: President Bill rang the bell to start our meeting. Hogey H. led the flag salute. Lady Gaga sang a heartwarming rendition of the national anthem in front of a service academies football game.

Sunshine: Jean D. reported that she is unaware of anyone in need of our concerns. She did comment on what good coverage we had in today's Rossmoor News with special mention about the food drive.

Thought for the Day: David B. gave us the Thought of the Day. It was a thought provoking "What If". Truly had us pondering how our decision can be impactful.

Happy Dollars: David B. for Tillie.

Tillie S. just because she is happy to be a Rotarian.

Joy A. for the help the program committee men gave her in getting her rugs down on her new floors.

Chuck L. because he loves USC and hopes they might win again at some point. Unfortunately, the recent loss to Colorado was the first since 1966.

John K. just because he likes the Warriors and Sharks.

Jim O. who got a new golf cart. It is a speedy beast able to reach all of 19 MPH.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim O gave us an update on the Polio Plus Society in anticipation of World Polio Day Oct 24th. There are still only 2 cases of wild polio transmittal this year, 1 each in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Our Polio Plus Society members were recognized. Jim O., Joy A. Irv F., Sharon L., David B., Earl A., Tillie S., Nancy R., John R., Paul W., Mitzi B., Bill B., and Ruth R. This group donated over \$2,500.

District 5160 had challenged us to enroll 500 members. 517 became Polio Plus Society members for at least \$100 each. So, the district added \$50,000 to what we had donated. Rotary International raised over \$50 million for polio, which meant we were able to get the full \$100,000,000 the Gates Foundation had pledged to match 2 for 1. This is a lot of talk about money, but it shows how far our individual dollars go when it starts being matched at various levels.

Connie P. will be transferring her membership from the Saratoga club to our Rossmoor club. She is already making a place for herself, and we welcome her.

John R. reported that the Jeha Golf Tournament was very successful with \$25,000 going to the Parkinson's Network of Mt. Diablo.

Patrice J. talked about EREY. Every Rotarian Every Year. If everyone in our club gives Rotary International at least \$25 we receive a special recognition. Many do so when paying their annual dues and others of us donate directly to fulfill our Paul Harris Society commitment.

President Jim told us about the Alzheimer's walk on Saturday at Bishop Ranch. You can donate, join our Rotary team, and or walk.

Raffle: The money pot is up to \$135. Jim O. won a bottle of wine and Joann A. won a free lunch.

PROGRAM

The program featured our Camp Royal 2021 attendees. We saw a video that showcased some of the presenters and activities of Camp Royal. The goals are to develop leadership skills, emotional balance, and self-confidence. Patrice introduced the young women from Los Lomas High School. All three are seniors

Yujin Huh said she learned life lessons, ways to improve her daily life and how to set goals. She is going to focus on STEM in college and is applying to UC schools.

Maya Bahnsay has started an Africa club at school and learning about how to work with different types of personalities helped her in this work. She also developed her meditation skills. Maya wants to be a mechanical engineer and is applying to UC schools and Harvey Mudd.

Emilija Rankovic told us she is from a low income home and would never have been able to have such an experience if not for Rotary. She is volunteering at a shelter working with women and girls who have been trafficked. She also has been involved with a group of people who have raised \$5,000 to assist the unhoused. She plans to study psychology. Her college applications are going to UC schools and to NYU.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 30	Weekend District Conference Squaw Valley Resort
Nov 3	Angela Laws – Xerces Society Monarch Butterfly Conservation
Nov 5	5pm Dollar Clubhouse – TGIF Party – Guests welcom!
Nov 10	10:30 Club Board of Directors Meeting
Nov 10	Jennifer Bushman – Sustainable Aquaculture

PHOTOS





