



ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS



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MEETING NOTES: December 8, 2021

Call to Order: President Bill Broxham and Beyonce sang the patriotic song from the Obama Inauguration.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Mieko Winnaker, Jerry Foott, Tom Gettinger (Invited by Patrice), a Rotarian from Bloomington, Indiana, and Norm Jacobs (guest of Dick Ford)

Sunshine: Jean Dormann and Bill Broxham. Announcement of the deaths of Rossmoor Rotarian, Bob Hamilton, and the great past president of Rotary International, Cliff Dochterman. A January 2022 memorial is planned at the Serbian Church in Moraga. Details will be provided.

Thought for the Day: More appreciation for those who served.

Tom Goedewaagen- Talked about his service in the Merchant Marine in Japan and the Orient. He then joined the Navy and served on a destroyer in WWII. Then he was recalled to service during the Korean War serving on another destroyer. He was an engineering officer and eventually rose to Lieutenant, and Lieutenant Commander.

Mitzi Bray spoke about her "dad" who served in the Army during WWI. He was shipped to France as an ambulance driver. All of this during the 1918 flu pandemic. After the war, her dad became a doctor

Happy Dollars: Patrice, Univ. of Utah is in the Rose Bowl. Mitzi, "45 again." Joanne, celebrating 91; Ruth, her family will be together for the holidays; David, just happy for Ruth; Tillie for "all of her birthdays," Bill, just because; Joy, because she is going to Scotland with her daughter and sister.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dick Ford gave his 3 minute "bio." He was born in Sydney, Montana, in 1940. Lived in Bozeman during his young life. He was active in all sports, football, baseball, basketball, and track. He joined the Army and served at Ford Ord, Ca. He later went to college at the University of Montana, majoring in Business. He was also in the Wisconsin National Guard during the Berlin Crisis and Bay of Pigs. His work career included working for J.C. Penny in Bozeman and Denver, then American Hospital Supply and Prudential Security. For the last 18 years, Dick has done volunteer work for the University of Montana.

SEE'S HOLIDAY CANDY SALES-John Rice told us that thus far, we have had \$1600 online orders through December 3; \$3200 in sales at Safeway, Saturday the 4th; and \$485 December 7.

Raffle Winners – Jerry won the money and Hogie got lunch.

PROGRAM

Dr. Torsten Jacobsen, Rotarian from Clayton Valley, Concord, Sunrise Club spoke about his Motorcycle “Ride 4 Rotary” through India. Of the 40 Rotarians from around the world, Torsten was the only American representative.

He described how welcoming and supportive the Indian Rotarians were with their warm hospitality, great food, and luxurious accommodations, throughout their ride through the entire Country on their Enfield motorcycles. They were treated to the cultural riches of India; including music, dance, religion, colorful attire, and language.

There are 540 Rotary Clubs in a nation of 1.4 billion people. The 40 riders earned more than \$100,000 for the Rotary Foundation.

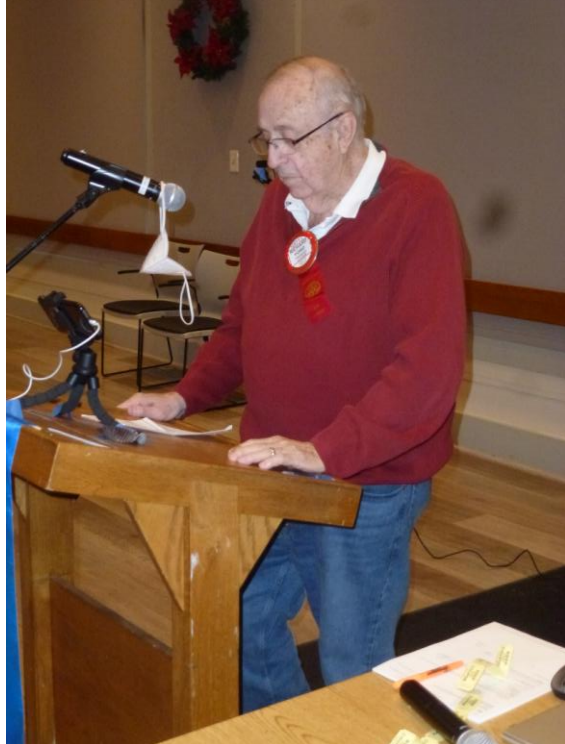
Torsten showed a video of the ride through the countryside where he said, “you never know what you’re going to see coming around the corner.”

The next Rotary Ride Through India is February 2022.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 15	10:30 RRF Trustee Meeting
Dec 15	Speaker TBD
Dec 22	Dark
Dec 29	Dark

PHOTOS



Torsten Jacobsen and Dick Ford