



# ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS



**President:** Bill Broxham **Address:** PO Box 2177, Walnut Creek CA 94595 D5160 Club 461

**Notes:** Jim Olson **Photos:** Paul Wilson October 20, 2021

**Club Website:** [www.rossmoorrotary.org](http://www.rossmoorrotary.org) **District Website:** [www.rotary5160.org](http://www.rotary5160.org)

---

## MEETING NOTES: October 13, 2021

**Call to Order:** President Bill Broxham, Hogie led the Pledge of Allegiance, patriotic song "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Estelle Watts (guest of Jeff Kendall)

**Sunshine:** Jean D. gave us the sad news of the death of past member, Robert H. Bob died of a heart attack on October 9. A more upbeat report on Ruth R. is that she is at home doing well and getting therapy.

**Thought for the Day:** Bill Broxham-A sense of "Humor."

**Happy Dollars:** Patrice because of happy times spent with husband Tom at Yosemite. Joy. David Brown because of the success with his sugar fast. Susan Long. John Rice for winning a raffle that Joy didn't. Tillie just because she's Tillie. Dale Martin, for putting his body to the test playing golf at Jaha and doing the Bike to Bridges race. Bill. Thanks to all for contributing to the Club's happiness.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Raffle

Lunch-Marlene Miller

Lunch-Connie Palladino

Walnut Creek Service Day, Saturday, October 9. Sue Adams reported on the great success again of this event with all bins being filled with food. And an outpouring of gifts of warm coats and blankets to the San Ramon Valley Rotary Club that was also participating. JoAnne Anderson reported that more than \$1000 was donated to the Food Bank.

### Jaha Golf Classic-Bill

Monday, October 11, was a blustery day. Regardless, the event, sponsored by our Rotary Club, was a complete success in raising money for the Parkinson Network of Mt. Diablo. 100 golfers participated including, John Rice, Jim Olson, Bill Broxham, John King, and Dale Martin.

### Diversity Festival, Wednesday, October 20, 2021-Bill

Members of our club will mingle in this event and attempt to recruit new members (since we lack diversity) and seek guest speakers for upcoming meetings.

## PROGRAM

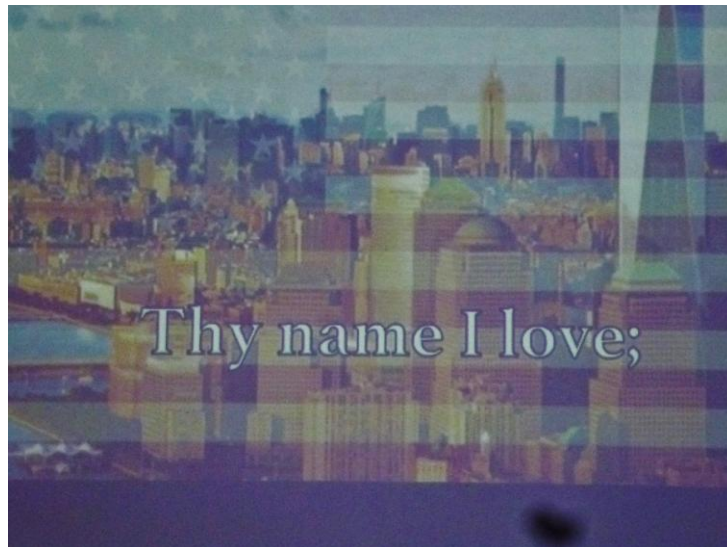
**Elizabeth Halifax, PhD, RN.** Topic: Proposed Nursing Home Reforms. Dr.Halifax focused on the problems affecting nursing homes throughout the country and particularly in California. Problems included those such as inadequate staffing; abuse of government finances through Medicare and Medicaid; the lack of quality care and education; problems of recruitment and retention; low compensation and benefits for staff. For example, 75% CAN's (Certified Nursing Assistants) do not receive a living wage. RN nursing home salaries are 14% below average. Elizabeth talked about the limited support nursing home staff receive, limited career paths, and gender and racial inequities.

Dr. Halifax included in her power point presentation the various legislations being proposed to mitigate these problems. Here are some websites to explore to expand your knowledge California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform at <http://canhr.org/>, Consumer Services Guide at <https://www.consumerservicesguide.org/>. Individuals may also become long term care ombudsmen.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 20	Hillside clubhouse - Camp Royal 2021 attendees report
Oct 27	10:30 RRF Trustee meeting
Oct 27	Table Games
Nov 3	Angela Laws – Xerces Society Monarch Butterfly Conservation
Nov 5	5pm Dollar Clubhouse – TGIF Party

## PHOTOS



Screen shown during the patriotic song



## **Elizabeth Halifax**

Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of  
Physiological Nursing at University of California,  
San Francisco

University of California, San Francisco · University of  
California, San Francisco