

# **ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS**



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D5160 Club 461

**Notes:** Jim Oj Jul 15, 2025

Club Website: www.rossmoorrotary.org District Website: www.rotary5160.org

**MEETING NOTES: 07/15/25** 

Call to Order: President Peter V, National Anthem/Patriotic Song: David B

**4 Way Test**-Is it the Truth?

-Is it Fair to All Concerned?

-Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

-Will it Be Beneficial to All Concerned?

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Mary and Mark S.**- Rotarians from Wilsonville, Ore. who just moved to Rossmoor to be closer to family. They are thinking about joining us. **Carol F.** invited by **John S**. Also thinking about membership. **Kathleen R.**-invitee of Joy A. Thinking about membership.

**Thought for the Day:** Jim D. presented variations on the "Serenity Prayer" after his experience at a memorial for a friend from Turlock.

**Sunshine Report: Jeanne D.** welcomed **Norm A.** after his recent surgery. He's feeling uncomfortable but said he'd rather be with us than reclining in bed.

Birthdays: We sang Happy Birthday to Norm A.

**Happy Dollars:** Eddie F.- For the children lost in the Texas floods. Norm A.-for being here. Carolyn H.-thanks for the great sendoff last week. Joy A. as new District 5160 governor, here first club meeting with San Ramon Sunshine. John S. for his attendance at a Turlock Rotary gathering. Jim D. for just being in a good mood. Kathy S. for getting into the thick of things as Asst. Gov. Elect.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Membership-** Welcome Carol F. who just completed her membership application with check. **President Peter** announced that one of his priorities as our new president is to focus on building membership. He wants to meet with Jim O., Alison L., and other membership team members to strategize and set goals and objectives. Jim appealed to members to invite friends and associates they feel would be good members.

**Gala Update- Sharon L.-** The next Gala meeting is Wednesday, August 6. Members will be asked to lead sections devoted to "silent auction" items.

District Bocce Ball Tournament- September 6. Sign up by August 6. We have one team signed up. Talk to David B. about signing up.

Raffle: Bill B.-wine or gift card. Bill B.-lunch

### **Gala News**

Tickets for this year's Gala will go on sale September 1<sup>st</sup>. You will be able purchase them online at rossmoorrotary.org, use the coupon in the Rossmoor News 9/10 edition, or purchase them at a weekly meeting. Cost is \$175 pp, \$1,200 for a table of eight, or \$1,500 for a table of 10. We will only accept one check for any table reservation, along with a list of the guests for that table. For more information, contact Sharon Long at sharon.m.long55@gmail.com.

### **PROGRAM**

**Ken J.,** Rossmoor Resident and regular contributor to the Rossmoor News on the issue of **Scams.** Ken has had long experience working for the Contra Costa County Sheriff's office, and with the California Highway Patrol. He was also a volunteer for the Fresno Police Department for nine years and named Volunteer of the Year in 2017.

Ken discussed the numerous scams seniors are exposed to. Such as phone scams, identity theft, health insurance scams, tech support scams, grandkid and family scams, investment scams, etc. Too many that intelligent people succumb to. In 2024, there were 56 billion "robo" calls. From 2021-24, 213 trillion calls. He described counseling a few Rossmoor residents who were bilked out of thousands of dollars. Most of these scams are offshore run by syndicates. We are all at risk if we have cellphones, Facebook accounts, use the Google search engine, and Craig's list for example.

He offered tips. Medicare will not call you; you will be notified by mail. Fastrak does not request payment by text. You will also not be called by Social Security or the IRS. "If the price is too good to be true," it is. "If you don't recognize the phone call, don't answer." Beware of AI manipulating voices of family members.

Thank you, Ken, for making us more aware.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

July 23	10:30 RRF Trustee meeting
July 23	Craig Lazzeretti - Trial and Tribulations of Getting out the Rossmoor News
July 30	Dr. Bryna Siegal - Autism
Aug 6	Anne Beivlacqua - How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying