



ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS



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MEETING NOTES: March 30, 2022

Call to Order: Hogey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

"America the Beautiful" was sung by a Marine and accompanied by a small Marine ensemble.

Sunshine: Jean D. had nothing new for the Sunshine report.

Thought for the Day: Chuck L. gave the thought of the day: referencing the Academy Awards incident involving Will Smith and Chris Rock. "Just when you are at your emotional high, the Devil comes for you." Then he shared a bunch of old-fashioned sayings that have gone out of common usage. Such as "hang it out to dry," "holy Murgatroyd," "don't touch that dial," "pump gas," and "jalopy."

Happy Dollars: Patrice J. for son Benson's 30th birthday. They are going to a Cambodian restaurant in Oakland. Benson was adopted from Cambodia as a baby. Eddie F. for moving out of the rental and into his permanent home. David B. for Hogey. Steve E. for a great student art fair at Indian Dunes in the desert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The raffle pot was at \$195. Both numbers were held by Bob S. He drew a bottle of wine twice.

A local group is collecting donations of items for Ukraine. A list was on each table. We will have a box at the meetings for donations of these personal things.

Our club has contributed over \$2,000 through the Rotary Foundation which will be matched up to \$50,000 by our district. This matching limit had been reached. So, our District 5160 is responsible for \$100,000 to Ukrainian Relief. We are doing our part to assist the people struggling under this unprovoked war.

President Bill showed us a short video about Shelter Box a Rotary partner organization that is providing relief efforts as well.

Norm Jakobson gave his 3-minute bio. Our members have led such interesting lives and Norm is no exception. He was born and raised in Los Angeles. Upon graduation from UCLA, he was commissioned as an officer in the armed services. The Air Force trained him to be a weather forecaster. He married and they were sent to Japan. He was assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He has been president of his Jewish congregation. He and his wife have three children. One son is in Japan, one in Israel, and his daughter and her wife have their grandchildren and now great grandchildren. His personal motto is "Love and service," so Norm is a perfect fit for Rotary.

PROGRAM

Our speaker was our Assistant Governor, Hayes Englehart, he told us about the trip he and his cousin took from Santa Monica to Chicago all along Route 66. They only stayed in historic motels and ate at locally owned restaurants. They visited most every tourist attraction along the route. It was quite nostalgic for many of us. They stayed in a wigwam motel, visited the Painted Desert, and went to several museums. He did show pictures of the whole adventure. One of which was a filling station, where one had to actually pump the gas into a chamber, which harkened back to Chuck's antiquated sayings.

Hayes had just turned 66, had a '66 Thunderbird and planed the Route 66 trip. Unfortunately, the car had 2 flat tires on the first 75 miles and did not make the trip. They went 2,448 miles went through 16 states and took 1,500 pictures. They were fortunate to have done it last summer as gas was only \$2.65 a gallon. The presentation was enjoyed by all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6	Bill Hayes – Pandemic a Story of Trauma and Growth
April 13	10:30 Board of Directors meeting
April 20	10:30 RRF Trustee meeting
April 20	Bill O'Keefe – GRF update

PHOTOS

