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Notes: Joy Alaidarous **Photos**: August 10, 2022

MEETING NOTES: August 3, 2022

Call to Order: President David called the meeting to order. Hogey led the Flag salute. The patriotic song was "Red, White, and Blue" sung by a country and western group called Boots and Jeans.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Ron Brown was recognized as a visitor. He lives in Rossmoor and is a member of another club. He may be joining us.

Sunshine: Jean D. gave the sunshine report. Ruth R. will be missing for a while due to physical therapy appointments for her shoulder. She is still checking up on our Tillie who had a fall.

Thought for the Day: Thought of the Day was presented by Dick Ford. He had a group of funny sayings that left us all chuckling.

Happy Dollars: Joy A. for Brian, John R for being recovered from COVID, Patrice J., for experiencing Camp Royal, David B. because Ron Brown will join us, both Bill B. and Chuck L. for family time

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership: Jim O presented a pin and badge to Julie Petrini. Welcome aboard Julie.

Patrice J. talked to us about EREY Every Rotarian Every Year. If we each give, even a small amount, to the Rotary International Foundation every year we can become a 100% EREY Club and receive an award. But the main reason for giving to the Foundation is all of the good that Rotary does in the world. AND do not forge that 50% of our donations come back to our District after three years to fund all of the district grants.

Sharon L. spoke about the Gala. She will start taking reservations next week.

ROTARY CLUB 35TH ANNUAL GALA "SILENT MOVIE NIGHT"

The annual club gala will be held on Saturday, October 8th at 5:30 PM n the Rossmoor Event Center. This is a fundraiser in support of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, with proceeds going to local organizations who support of these causes. Funds are also donated to national research groups. This event has donated \$1 million over the past 35 years.

Reservations can be made at weekly meetings, or online at rossmoorrotary.org. Cost is \$150 pp, or \$1,000 for a table of 8. The evening will include live and silent auctions, a no-host bar, hors d'oeuvres, an elegant dinner with a choice of: Beef Filet, Grilled Salmon, or Mushrooms in a Puff Pastry.

So, dress in your best, black tie or period costumes are optional. Checks are made payable to: Rossmoor Rotary Foundations or RRF. For additional information, call Sharon Long at 925-322-0026.

INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENING

Carolyn Hendricks gave her 3-minute bio. She has had the heart of a Rotarian all of her life. As a child she would sneak her clothes out of the house and give them to the migrant children at her school. She was in the Peace Corps stationed in Brazil. She was a teacher in Morgan Hill, has 2 adult children and loves to travel. Africa is her favorite place. She has been in Rossmoor for 15 years.

Joy A. made an appeal for funding for Brian Mboni's further schooling. Brian wants to become a doctor to serve the poor of his country. Brian is a young Ugandan man who was orphaned and rescued from the streets of Kampala at age 8. His sponsor at Save the Children saw him through nursing school. Joy met him when he was volunteering offering health education and training at Sintaro. The village in Ethiopia where we have a project running. We can and will apply for a Rotary International Global Scholar Grant when he is in medical school. But this is only available for graduate level studies. He must complete an undergraduate degree first.

A handful of us have funded his first year. We are working with a well-established Rotary Club in Kampala who has vetted that he is a student at the university in good standing. All monies are from our club through their club. He has 2 more years, or 4 semesters to go. His costs are \$500 a semester for tuition, \$500 for food and lodging and \$100 for internet access, incidental printing of papers and such.

Joy will be at the check-in table with a jar to receive donations to this cause.

PROGRAM

Carolie Sly was on the program this week. She is a most impressive lady with a Ph. D from Berkeley and was a professor at C.S.S.F. She was talking about the tutoring program for refugees on the island of Lesbos in the Aegean Sea. The program has sent over 150 teacher volunteers over a 5-year period. She gave several heartfelt stories of young people who have benefited greatly from the education and program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 10	10:30 Club Board of Directors Meeting
Aug 10	Steven Campbell – Making Your Mind Magnificent
Aug 17	10:30 RRF Trustee Meeting
Aug 17	Susan Grossman – Rotary Peace Fellowship in Israel