

Members Present: Alfredo Alvarado, Becky Black, Margie Davidson, Yasuko Fields, Jennifer Harbick, Don Jones, Frances Moore, Lisa Pickert, Erica Popick-Kevrekian, Robert Rosenkranz

Guests: Teresa Raiford

President Lisa opened the meeting at 5:02 with a reference to Shelter Box, an offshoot of Rotary, and how it helps desperate people all over the world.

MINUTES: The minutes of the 2 February were approved with a minor correction. (Don/Lisa)

PROGRAM

- Teresa Raiford, founder & director of Don't Shoot PDX--her response to doing something about the murders of so many members of the Black community, including a close nephew. The organization seeks to get their community involved in addressing issues that lead to such violence. A key project at this time is to regain and rehabilitate the historically significant Albina Arts Center building, currently held in trust by the Oregon Community Foundation. They wish to restore it to become again a center of Black art, education, and history that will promote community engagement, preserve the roots of Portland's local Black culture, and display its significant artistic accomplishments. We are invited to join them in this project via donations or personal volunteering. Learn more at <https://www.dontshootpdx.org/>.

OLD BUSINESS

- This year's Neil Kelly scholarship applications have been sent to the high school counsellors.
- The club foundation has sent checks out to Shelterbox, the Kiwanis camp, and N/NE Community Health Clinic since its last report. It has just received an updated application from Community Based Outreach, Inc. (CBOi), a successor organization to McCoy Academy. We will try to get a decision on this before our next club meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- Lisa and Margie are working to send out a donation request letter to former donors, as an interim fund-raising appeal before our next organized fundraiser. They will ask Carolyn Lundgren (who printed our Neil Kelly request) to print the letters.
- Lisa would like to start Happy Hour meetings on the Wednesdays between our business meetings when COVID regulations make this possible. Two possible venues are T.C. O'Leary's (2926 NE Alberta Street) or the Public House at NE Dekum.

MEMBER REPORTS

- Frances said that her article on our Holiday baskets made it into the January Star newspaper, though in a heavily edited form. See it at: http://www.star-news.info/press_archive/0122_hollywood_star_january_2022.pdf
- She also noted that the N/NW clinic has a new head doctor. They would love to have an opportunity to share an update on their work with us.

The meeting closed at 5:59 with Lisa saying the 4-Way Test.

Our next Zoom meeting will be at 5:00 P.M. on 2 March 2022.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Moore, Secretary

Upcoming events:

- *Feeling Documents*, an art show sponsored by Don't Shoot PDX and the University of Oregon Center for Art Research (CFAR) at Holding Contemporary art gallery, 915 NW Flanders, from 17 February to 27 March. –Due to COVID restrictions, visit <https://www.holdingcontemporary.com/> to make an appointment.