



# ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS



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## MEETING NOTES: 11/14/22

**Call to Order:** President David rang us to order. Hoge led the flag salute. The patriotic song was "The Star-Spangled Banner" sung by James Taylor.

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Attending by ZOOM were Eddie F and Steve E.

**Sunshine:** Jean D remarked that it was nice to see the return of some members who had been missing for a bit. Chuck L has a cold.

**Thought for the Day:** Carolyn H. spoke about the time of your life and how you spend it.

**Happy Dollars:** Bill B. had a new great granddaughter. Bob S. because Arizona beat UCLA. Eddie F. happy for See's Candy, and sad remembering the loss of a friend. Tillie was sad that she can't work much. (Good gracious Tillie just your presence is an inspiration). Jim O. was sad that there were too many vacancies in the See's staffing sign ups. Call Joann A to fill a spot. Irv donated \$50.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday to Dick F and 4 members have Rotary anniversaries.

Patrice J. Reserve the 9<sup>th</sup> of Dec for our evening Holliday Party. She does not have the cost worked out yet. She will let us know and be taking reservations soon. It will be in the Fireside room and is festive attire.

Gill Vega will cater, and we have Anna Marie Mendieta playing the harp for entertainment.

Joy A. has stepped down from the Rossmoor Rotary Foundation as a director. And Frieda A. has taken her place. Frieda will be heading the Grants Committee. Joy will remain on the committee until the end of June.

Raffle winners: Frieda A. wine. Miekeo lunch.

## PROGRAM

Speaker: Lynn Forette from the Assistance League, Diablo Valley Chapter. There are 120 chapters nationally. The local chapter is involved with 20 programs primarily helping children and seniors. They run a thrift shop in Lafayette. There are 460 members in the local chapter with only 1 part time paid bookkeeper.

Some of their projects:

Operation School Bell - 3,300 kids were helped with clothing and uniforms including 185 homeless kids. Jackets and shoes are frequently what are most needed. In the Pittsburg Bay Point area \$11,800 went for books for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. The program provides 1 on 1 reading tutoring, and a weekly arts program for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Shore Acres Elementary. Over 500 Sunshine Boxes a month are providing nonperishable easy to fix food for weekends.

Scholarships \$206,200. There have been 53 awarded this year including 15 teacher scholarships totaling \$6,448. These enable teacher to get what they need to augment their classrooms.

Community Needs Focus - Programs include Tele Care, Food Boxes, Baby bags, Assault survivors kits, See Ya sponsorships, On My Own Kits (kids exiting foster care) Kits for babies and children awaiting foster care placement.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 23	Dark
Nov. 30	Amina Siddiqi – Human Trafficking
Dec. 7	Dark
Dec. 9	Holiday Party

## PHOTOS



Lynne Forette