



# ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS



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## MEETING NOTES: September 7, 2022

**Call to Order:** President David called the meeting to order. Joann A. led the flag salute. Patriotic song was sung by Dolly Parton "Color Me America".

**Guests and Visiting Rotarians:** Joining us via ZOOM were Patrice J. and John K.

**Sunshine:** Jean D. shared with us the sad news that Earl A's wife Elizabeth "Betsy" had passed away over the weekend. We will let you know when we learn details of a memorial service.

**Thought for the Day:** Ann H. reminded us to "Look long and carefully at ourselves before passing judgement on others."

**Happy Dollars:** Oh my! We were certainly happy this week. Ruth R. for being finished with physical therapy. Nancy R., Eddie F. for his partner Robin's birthday and for those lost on 9/11. Joy A for upcoming family birthday weekend. Norm J. for a wonderful trip with his wife (even if they both got COVID) and for his good friend Dick F. being in remission from his cancer. Mitzi B. for being alive after an allergic reaction to vitamin drops, she was applying to her scalp to increase hair growth. She had us all laughing loudly at her telling of the episode. Chuck L. for his USC Trojan's football good season opener. Pres. David just because he is happy. John K. telling us his goatee is going as he starts radiation (just a precautionary to be sure the surgery on his lip got every single bad cell).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Raffle: \$98 in the kitty today. Mieko and Sharon both won bottles of wine. There will be more money next week.

Sharon L. gave a quick Gala announcement. So far we have sold 117 tickets. Keep those reservations coming. Sept 30 is the deadline. There will be a Gala committee meeting on Friday at Joy A.'s 2737 Ptarmigan Dr. #2 Entry 16. 10:00

Rotary Anniversary: Jim O., Bill B., Jean D., Hogey H.

Short video about Polio from RI President Jennifer Jones. WE must not give up this fight. This battle can be won. We need to raise \$50 million for polio to earn the full 2 for 1 match that is again being offered by the Bill and Melinda Gates foundation.

Club Board of Directors report: John R. told us that Julie was voted to fill one of our vacant board positions. We still need another one. Please let President David or Secretary Bill know if you are interested. The board approved a minor number of trustees/years of term correction in our by-laws. The budget for the 2022-23 year was approved. The basics are with 46 members, 24 lunches, 9 deserts weekly, and 4 free, no bar, speaker gift of \$40 (which accumulates and \$2,00 is sent to a charity of the president's choice). Dues of \$225 (94 to Rotary International, 53 to District 5160, 77 to club) Stipend of \$2,500 if president elect wants to go to RI International Conference in Melbourne Australia this year. \$800 to send the president elect to PETs (mandatory training for all presidents elect)

To balance this budget, we need to raise \$2,00 with some sort of fundraiser/s. Any bright ideas anyone?

A video of Amazing Rotary was shown.

## PROGRAM

Speaker was a no show. Joy A told us about the work LARC, Lamorinda Adult Respite Care, does. Our foundation (RRF) had a longstanding relationship with them as they are one of the recipients of the Alzheimer's Parkinson's Gala proceeds. They are based in Lafayette and provide respite care via a day program to clients suffering from various types of dementias. Bill B. shared with us his personal experience with LARC as his wife was a client there. They have a full program to engage the clients including music and dance. There is also support for the caregivers.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Sept. 21 | Bruce McLeod – Family Search              |
| Sept. 28 | Janet Grizzell – Diablo Symphony          |
| Oct. 5   | Dark                                      |
| Oct. 8   | 5:30 Gala for Alzheimer's and Parkinson's |

## PHOTOS



**Essanay Studios film stars: Francis Bushman, Charlie Chaplin and Broncho Billy Anderson.**

Did you know? Essanay Studios was founded in 1907 and had a film lot in Niles Canyon in Fremont, CA. Essanay stars also included Gloria Swanson and Louella Parsons. The Tramp was filmed at this location. The studio merged with Vitagraph and others, eventually being absorbed by Warner Bros.  
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