

Rotary Club of Livermore



Spur Report 4-12-23

By Kathy S. Coyle on Wednesday, April 12, 2023

We have a real Spur this week thanks to Pat Coyle! You did a great job Pat! Isn't it nice to be reminded of all the things that happen during the meeting?

Pre-meeting slide show featured comical photos and videos courtesy of Dennis O'Brien.

President Sblend Sblendorio Zoomed in from Park City, Utah. He was there for a surprise renewal of vows for their maid-of-honor.



Sblend recognized Irv Stowers for the D5170 Richard D. King award. We should all applaud him for his service and everything he's done for the club and the district. Sblend encouraged all to sign up for the District Conference where Irv will be recognized.

Sheila rang the Zoom meeting to order at 12:30 for another hybrid meeting and Sblend welcomed all to another meeting of the Rotary Club of Livermore.

Kathy Coyle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

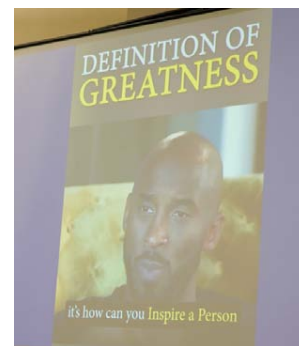
Rotary players Tim, Michael, and Stu played, and songsters joined in and sang *Do You Want to Dance*, written by Bobby Freeman. Later, we saw video of Coaniquem patient Lidia dancing.



Thought for the day: No one signed up, so played video on the topic of Greatness, by Kobe Bryant. Can see it here: <https://youtu.be/AyC222Jp62I> Sblend added the definition of greatness is to inspire the people next to you. I think that's what greatness is or should be. It's not something that lives

and dies with one person. It's how can you inspire a person to then in turn inspire another person.

Sblend introduced and thanked the Meeting Front Line, including Zoom Host: Jeff Youngsma, Zoom Chat Monitor: Jeff Youngsma, Audio Visual: Dennis O'Brien, Spur Reporter: Pat Coyle, Spur Publisher: Kathy Coyle, Photographer: Irv Stowers, and Greeter: Mary Anne Rozsa



Visiting Rotarians: Carolyn Schuetz Baysdorfer from the Rotary Club of Alameda was introduced by Don Sweeney.

Guests: Mary Anne Rozsa introduced Christine Lusty, a potential new member. Ron Koopman introduced his caretaker, Rob.



Announcements:

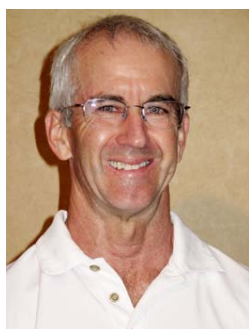


Brian Mayall spoke to Polio Plus. Our club has been great supporter, however, we're behind on our goal this year. Brian discussed how to donate. Log on to <https://my.rotary.org/en/>, <https://www.endpolio.org/donate>, or give Goud Memula your check to "The Rotary Foundation," memo Polio Plus. He noted the double match from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. He described the program, its background, and current status. Watch the video for his terrific remarks! Sblend encouraged all to donate.



New member talk: Don Sweeney discussed his family, professional career (Purdue and then consulting with LLNL and Sandia, time at University of Arizona on Large-aperture Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST)), and community engagement he and his wife are involved in. So many vibrant connections to club members. Watch the video for his terrific story! He encouraged folks to come to the Quest-sponsored Tri-Valley Innovation Fair at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, Saturday, April 15, from 10am to 5pm. He'll have a booth.

Beth Wilson spoke of notes of appreciation from students for books we distributed.

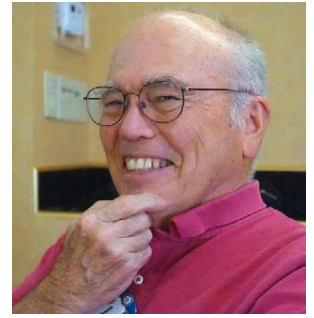


Paul McCandless encouraged folks to come early and participate in next week's program on Youth in Government to interact with the students and share your experiences and your professions with them.

Sblend announced the upcoming theme is all good things are Italian.

The Program

Bob Cowan presented a Coaniquem Children's Burn Center Update after recent Burned Children Foundation Board of Directors' team trip to Chile. Wonderful slides with story of Coaniquem and the services it provides, including photos and video of Lidia's story of her progress through long and grueling treatment over the years. He talked about how Rotarians have helped and can continue to donate. There was a lively discussion and Q&A. Watch the video for this terrific program. Lidia's story is not published in youtube but is included in our meeting video. COANIQUEM is having a special event this fall - a lunch cruise on the Bay! Stay tuned for details!



Sblend thanked Bob and the Burned Children Foundation members.

At 1:30 Sblend concluded another meeting of the Rotary Club of Livermore.

Youtube channel

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Meetings are videoed and published on our Youtube Channel. [Click here](#) to explore the most recent as well as every meeting for the past three years!

Leave a Legacy

Leave a Legacy Gift to the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore (RFL)
Did you know you could leave a bequest in your Will or Estate that would continue your support for the RFL to infinity and beyond?
Please consider following in the footsteps of our dear friend
Marty Plone and make the RFL one of your "heirs"!
Contact any RFL Board member for more information.

Club Meeting

Livermore

Meets at Hybrid, Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Avenue, Livermore, CA

Robert Livermore Community Center 4444 East Avenue

Livermore, CA 94551

Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

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