

Rotary Club of Livermore



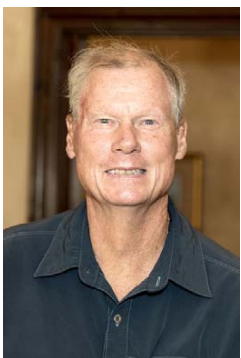
Spur Report 5-24-2023

By Kathy S. Coyle on Wednesday, May 24, 2023

Your Spur Reporter this week: Will Bateson

Pledge of Allegiance: Linda led us at Las Positas Winery, a beautiful setting

Songsters: Stu and Tim led us in John Denver's classic *Thank God I'm a Country Boy* in honor of today's talk on agriculture



Thought for the Day: Will Bateson (myself) gave the thought. When I joined rotary about 8 years ago, giving the TFD was an honor and a privilege and usually you had to sign up 4-6 months in advance. Unfortunately, lately we've had some weeks where we don't have anyone step up to give it. It's still an honor and a privilege to share your thought with fellow rotarians. We have so much wisdom in this room, so I'm asking anyone who is a new rotarian (4 new candidates today!) or hasn't given the TFD recently to step up and sign up now!



Visiting Rotarians: Bob Silva, Carolyn Siegfried's Dad.

Guests:

Mark Roberts introduced Jeremy Young, Police Chief for Livermore

Loretta introduced Christy Lusty's mom, Nancy Noel

TJ introduced two workers from Grocery Outlet - Gagen and Rajeeh Suppiah

Barbara Kraybill, a former member of our was introduced



Alan Burnham introduced Keileigh Bennett and Rania Harfouche-Szabo (see new members)

Joel introduced Catharina Ritts (see new members)

Loretta introduced Christy Lusty(see new members)

Announcements:



Stu Gary is back attending a meeting for the first time in 3 years! Among things taking up his time has been 2 new grandkids! He will rejoin the Presidents Club.

Paul Szymd said we still need volunteers for the Rodeo Parade, coming up on June 10 (that's about 2 weeks away!) and reminded us that next week's meeting will take place at the rodeo grounds and the meeting will not be available on Zoom.



Kim Gruidl spoke of an Alzheimer's charity event sponsored by Fremont Bank. It takes place Next Wednesday, May 31, at the Bankhead Theater. For \$25 you get a ticket to see *The Notebook* including popcorn and a drink!



Mark Roberts spoke of the need for new members for presentations for the coming year

Goud Memula gave an update on our pledge status to Rotary International. We are short about \$6,500 of our Annual Fund goal and \$1,100 of our PolioPlus goal. About 32 members still need to step up (that includes myself, I will do so this week)



Alan Burnham introduced 4 new members to our club. In addition to being welcome additions, they also help make our club a bit younger!

They are:

Catharina Johansson-Ritts, Realtor

Christine Lusty, Design business owner

Keileigh Bennett, Field engineer

Rania Harfouche-Szabo, Biomedical



Next week's meeting: Geeta Kadambi, District 5170 Empowering Girls Project

Today's meeting: Paul Banke introduced today's speaker, Valeria Shirk, to talk about The Educational Farm at Alameda Fair Grounds. It was very insightful and educational! Watch the video on our Youtube channel!



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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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