

Rotary Club of Livermore



Spur Report June 21, 2023

By Theodore C. Michels on Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Spur Reporter: Joel Swanson

Sblend's Last meeting.....until the demotion party!



Sblend's last meeting started at 12:30p.

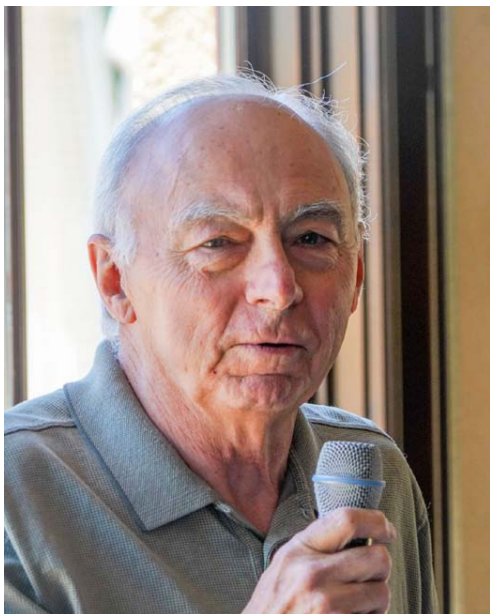


The pledge was led by: Michelle Dawson of the LVJUSD.

Today, the **songsters** included Stu and Michael, Joel, Sheila, and special guest Mike Morgan. "Fun, Fun, Fun" was the song. The second verse had been rewritten to fit the festivities of the day:

As a LAWYER you knew
That the club was gettin' wise to you now
The best damn minutes of your week as the Prez,
Oh yeah, they were all through now

Though Sheila took your set of keys
We still have a lot of things to do now
And we'll have fun fun fun in R-O-T--A-R--Y
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The **Thought of the Day** was presented by Gordon Jones, who talked about potential future programs, including one on AI. He played a clip from 2001, A Space Odessey. HAL did not open the pod bay doors...Again.

President Sblend recognized the front line: The Spur Reporter was Joel Swanson, Spur Publisher was Ted Michels, Photographer was Irv Stowers, Audio Visuals were operated by Dennis O'Brien, our Zoom Host was Carolyn Siegfried, and Loretta Kaskey was our Greeter.

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

Rotarians - no visiting Rotarians or guests on Zoom.

Guests – Ron Koopman introduced his caregiver, Rob. Goud's Son, Venkat Memula was introduced by Goud.

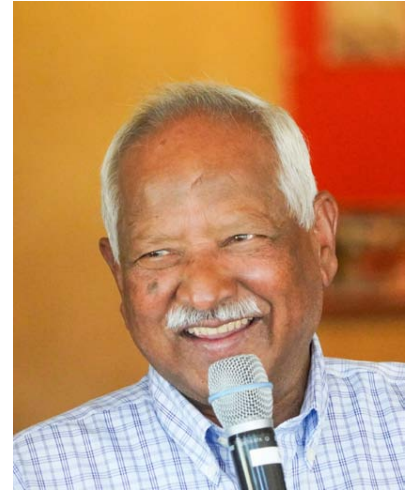


President Sblend's recognitions, announcements, et al.



Rotarian of the Quarter – Dennis O'Brien

Rotarian of the Year – Linagoud (Goud) Memula for his work on the foundation board and international projects. He thanked the Rotarians in our club that helped us achieve our goals.



The John Shirley award was shared between Loretta Kaskey for her work as the Community services chair, and Evonne Hopkins, for her work on the International House Weekend.

Michelle Dawson, from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District, was here to be presented the check to Livermore school bands for their participation in the Rodeo Parade.



Via Zoom, Carolyn Siegfried presented the Ed Rundstrom Career/Vocational Scholarship award to Elias Worley, who is a graduate of GHS, and going to Las Positas College to study Fire Service Technology. Carolyn read the thank you letter from Elias.



Bob Cowan talked about the year that the READY program had, and talked about some of the alumni of the READY program. He thanked the volunteers, and showed us some of the places READY kids go on field trips.

Sblend then shared the commendation certificate from our local Rotary District 5170, recognizing our club's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

The **program for next week:** There will not be a lunchtime meeting, but we'll all get together for the Demotion Party, at 5:30 PM at Alden Lane.



Today's Program Club Assembly – Sblend's last meeting before his Demotion.

Sblend mentioned that it was his last meeting. He showed us his early expectations with a clip from the Johnny Carson Show.

You should really watch the YouTube stream to see the clips he chose for the start of the year's loss of the Gavel. Then, onto a video from "Young Frankenstein," showing feelings surrounding his selection as president, "You Guys picked Me," Still, in spite of it all, he worked with the board. Then, he showed us a board meeting clip from "The Life of Brian." "What have the Romans ever done for us?"

Then, we saw a clip from that same movie, entitled "Girls Rule." This clip celebrated the leadership of Rotary and the projects that were supporting women around the world. The next video was about the process of finding new members. The clip came from "The Office."

Then, we saw a clip emphasizing that "We are a great club." It was a clip from a Marx brother's movie.

What's coming next? Sblend showed a clip from "Blazing Saddles," where the hero rode off into the sunset.



Lastly, Sblend thanked the songsters, Front line folks, Thought for the Day presenters, SPUR personnel, Zoom hosts and chat monitors, and finally, he recognized members of the board, and presented each board member with a hat that reflected their service for the 2022 – 2023 Rotary year.



Meeting Adjourned officially at 1:18p.



Updates for next year:

Norm and Sheila announced that we did achieve our EREY goal. The board came to the conclusion that the club really wanted to have lunches, so the dues went up by \$5 per member per week, and lunch prices would go down to \$25 per week.

Sheila talked about our efforts to find a new home. We are still in contract with LARPD until next December, but we can do field trips to test out new venues. July 5th's meeting will be at Beeb's and lunch will be served. Be sure to sign up for lunch online. She wished us well, and looked forward to seeing us all at the demotion party.

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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