

Rotary Club of Livermore



Spur Report 3-1-2023

Spur Publisher: Ted Michels

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"Opening Our Heart to Food Security"



President Sblend danged the dinger, or dinged the danger, to start the meeting at 12:25 pm.

Evonne Hopkins led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Health Announcements: Sblend let us know Diana Geyer fell and injured her hip and elbow, and it was also announced that Alan Frank is in the hospital getting tests performed. Sheila circulated get well cards for both.



Songsters: Following the Open Heart Kitchen speaker's theme, Michael, Tim and Stu

played guitars and a banjo leading us in “Alice’s Restaurant” (the 3 minute version, not the 25 minute version!) joined by the chorus of Joel, Sheila and Linda. Ah, you can get anything you want at Alice’s Restaurant, exceptin’ Alice!



Thought for the Day: Christian waxed eloquently about “Blue Zones” in the world, where people live into their 100’s. These folks exhibit qualities of a positive attitude, hard physical work, eating healthy, practicing gratitude, and being all around bitchen’ people! He noted that retired types actually get more pleasure from giving to others than receiving themselves. The message? Pay up Rotarians!

Front Line: Our collective thanks to the meeting Front Line without whom we would not be able to meet: Spur Reporter- Procrastinator Tim Barry, Spur Publisher- Task Master Ted Michels, Photographer- “Jimmy Olsen” Irv Stowers, Greeter- Intrepid Trex Donovan, A/V- Multi-tasker Don Wentz, Zoom host- Prolific Pat Coyle.

Visiting Rotarians: Rich Goldstein of the Livermore Valley Rotary Club.

Guests of Rotarians: None.

Announcements

Interact Fundraiser: This year, instead of a live auction during a meeting, we’ll have access to a website that describes the items and enables you to bid on them. Funds go to the projects of our local high school Interact Club.



Birthdays and Anniversaries were announced by Debbie Peck

Birthdays: Happy birthday to: Jim Schmidt, Lynn Freeman, Yvonne Hopkins, Jackie Williams-Courtright, Ron Koopman, Kathy Coyle, Mike Morgan, Bruce Wiggs, Marc Robert and our illustrious President Sblend Sblendorio!

Anniversaries: Happy anniversary to: Michael Ferrucci 46 years, and Sblend Sblendorio 33 years.



Crab Feed: Bob Cowen, Debbie Peck, and Joel Swanson gave an update for this Friday’s sold out event at the Robert Livermore Community Center.

New Member Talk: Linda Stanford did a nice job of giving her background as a 27 year resident of Livermore, 2 kids raised in local schools, she's retired after 39 years of teaching, husband still working, and loving the opportunity with Rotary to give back to the community and helping her with what to do in her retirement



Ambassadors for Compassion: Rich Goldstein gave a presentation on this program with students to build resilience. The program needs more funding and is in Junction K-8 this week.

Next Week's Program: Club Assembly when we'll discuss proposals to use the \$25,000 grant from the Federal Recovery Act on Rotary Projects.



Today's Program: Executive Director John Bost of Open Heart Kitchen gave us an update on a construction project including housing the homeless and their new kitchen headquarters on N. Livermore Avenue. To see his presentation, click on the YouTube Link, below.

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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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