

Rotary Club of Livermore



Spur Report 9-27-23

Spur Reporter: Will Bateson



President Sheila called the meeting to order at 12:30p.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Morgan filled in for Chuck Hartwig. Sblend mentioned that Chuck has not been able to attend a meeting in quite some time and really wants to get back to attending in person. Chuck, we all miss you very much and look forward to seeing you again!



Songsters: Michael, Stu, and Tim led us singing *I've Been Working on the Railroad* in honor of today's speaker, Alan Frank.



Thought for the Day: Will (myself) gave the thought today. I attended a sermon many years ago where the minister started with a simple question (actually 2): Do you get a flat tire? Or do you get a **FLAT TIRE!** The premise is, we all get flat tires, both literally and symbolically. Some of us get quite upset and turn them into FLAT TIRES that negatively affects the rest of our day. I suspect all of us do this from time to time, but I find life so much better when I just accept it as one of life's flat tires and move on.

Visiting Rotarians: Sherri Simoni, President of Livermore's morning club

Guests of Rotarians: Paul Thompson introduced Ron's caregiver. He noted that she was formerly Chuck Hartwig's caregiver, and John Shirley's caregiver before that! I apologize, I did not catch her name. Ed Coats introduced his wife Carol (more details to follow). Michael Ferruci introduced Jim Douglas of Prime Time Entertainment, possibly a future member?



Announcements:

Paul Thompson's phone went off (actually it was his watch); brother Mike was the culprit. Paul graciously donated \$250 to the foundation, along with the \$10 fine.

On October 11, District Governor Hung Wei will attend our meeting, in the larger Cresta Blanca Room at the Community Center.

New Member Talk: Catharina Ritts introduced herself to us. She grew up in Sweden and at 18 came to visit the United States. As luck would have it, she became a last minute replacement for a nanny in Orinda, and has been here ever since. She modelled for about 6 years. She's always loved horses and working with people. After raising her children, she choose a career in real estate and loves it. Welcome Catharina!

Kelly Bowers has 2 tickets to Friday night's production at the



Bankhead, *When you Wish Upon a Star*. Kim Gruidl donated \$200 for the tickets. Thank you and enjoy Kim!

Sherri Simoni from the morning club talked about the 3rd annual Chili Cookoff this Saturday, October 7, at Carnegie Park. She is short of volunteers, so please help out if you can.



Ed Coats shared his amazing love story with his wife Carol. They were high school sweethearts, even going to their Senior Prom together. Then college took them to separate schools (Carol to UOP, Ed to San Jose State) and they subsequently married other spouses. Both became widows, and they were reunited at a 40 year high school reunion. Moral of the story: attend your high school reunions! Ed agreed to join The President's Club.

Next week's talk: Club Grants!



Today's Program – Alan Frank on The Heritage Guild

(See below for a link to a video of the meeting)

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Club Meeting

Livermore
Meets at Hybrid at different locations
Robert Livermore Community Center 4444 East Avenue
Livermore, CA 94551
Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

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