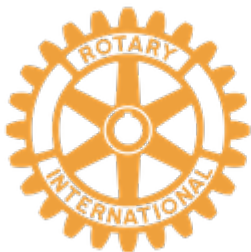


# Rotary



# Club of Livermore

## Spur Report Sept 7, 2022

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## Spur Reporter - Tim Barry



**Start of Meeting:** With President Sblend still off somewhere in the UK, President-elect Sheila brought our meeting to order for the second week in a row by banging the bell with her grandfather's branding iron at 12:30.....Eeeee Hah!



**The Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Lance Cavalieri.

**Songsters:** Michael, Stu and Tim teamed with Linda and Sheila to lead the group in singing "Bottle of Wine" in honor of our guest speaker who owns vineyards. Well done!



**Thought for the Day:** Ronnie Forbes gave a very personal and thoughtful Thought for the Day reflecting on the difficulties of his personal life and his journey from a bad place to now dedicating his life to the service of others. From his talk, it is obvious that living by the Rotary motto, service before self, has brought a profound sense of peace and satisfaction to his life.

**Front Line Support:** Many thanks to Tim Barry- Spur Reporter, Irv Stowers- Photographer, Joel Swanson- A/V, Caroline Siegfried- Zoom Host, Greeter- Jim Schmidt, Dennis O'Brian-Mobile Mic, Don Wentz- Spur Publisher.

**Visiting Rotarians:** None.

**Visiting Guests:** Al Cerro of Cerro Vista Ranch and Guest Speaker Mark Triska.



**Member talk:** Barbara Hickman gave a “seasoned member” talk about her long tenure as a Rotary member. Barbara sponsored my membership in Rotary! You go girl!

## **Announcements:**



**Ready Program:** Bob Cowen is asking for more volunteers to assist Junction Middle School students. One hour a week is all we ask, but you have to go through the school district background check procedures.

**Club grants:** Chair Roland Ellington shared that applications for the quarterly grant program are due Sept. 7th.

**2.2 for 22 Challenge:** Ronnie Forbes encouraged members to get involved in this program, helping Las Positas College student veterans.

**Culinary Angels:** Lynn Monica encouraged members to attend an Oct.8th event at McGrail Vineyards to raise funds for this program.

**Student of the Month Request:** Paul McCandless said coordinators are needed for one hour a month to organize this program that honors high school students from Livermore HS and Del Valle Continuation HS.



**Kids against Hunger:** Loretta Kaskey encouraged members to join her on Sept. 17th to package foods for Ukrainian families from 1:30-3 pm.





**Birthdays and Anniversaries:** Carol announced member birthdays and songsters led us in singing Happy Birthday. She also announced anniversaries and songsters led us in singing “You Are My Sunshine.”



**Next Week’s Speaker:** New Livermore City Manager Marianna Marysheva.



**Guest Speaker:** Local Commercial Realtor Mark Triska gave a talk about farming grapes and truffles in Livermore and about an upcoming ballot measure to extend water and sewer service further east to help agribusiness and some neighborhoods that need it.

See his talk at the link below. *(Editor's Note: At the time of publication, the YouTube video for the meeting had not been uploaded.)*

## Youtube channel

### Youtube Channel

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  
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 Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM

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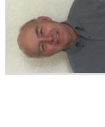
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