



Events

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Birthdays

George Calhoun
December 3rd

Ingrid Hempell
December 4th

Luis Alkon
December 4th

Tania E. Brugger-
Blanchard
December 9th

Tina S. Akins
December 10th

11.8.24 Concord Rotary Club Meeting

By Guy S. Bjerke on Sunday, November 10, 2024

President **Jim Kohl** welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Paul Krugman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Helen Crump recited the 4-way Test.

Our visitors included Ron Harris, Kassey King, Josh Johnson, Dianne Ernst, Dennis Woodard, Erica Torres, Chuck Waltman, and Sue & Les Polgar.

HAPPY BUCKS

- **Scott Singley** announced he is feeling confident about his 45-1 bet on a Golden State Warriors' Championship this season - \$10 to the club.
- **David Miller** donated \$50 to the endowment to celebrate a family gathering in the wine country for Judy's birthday.
- **George Calhoun** offered \$2 to acknowledge his successful planting of 350 onions this week.
- **Paul King** contributed \$5 for a great show his group put on at Luigi's in Martinez this week.
- **Jim Kohl** donated \$10 thanking his mentor Al Kappadahl.



Bell Ringing

Al Kappadahl announced that our Bell Ringing in support of the Salvation Army is set for Saturday, December 21. He gave a history of our club's support for this effort over the years and urged everyone to sign up for a shift at the two locations being covered by our club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (UPCOMING)

- The Club Board will be meeting on Tuesday, November 12 at 4:30 pm at Golden State Lumber.
- The Dictionary Distribution will be happening next week.
- The Club's Holiday Party will be held during our normal lunch on December 13 - here at the Museum & Event Center.
- The next Rotary Means Business evening event will not happen until January 2025.

Toys for Tots

Rita Corbinook announced our goal of 100% participation in our donations to the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program - now through December 20. Each member is asked to donate a new, unwrapped toy, book, or game for infants to 16-year-olds. You can bring it to a future meeting or the Holiday Party. You can also buy something on Amazon and have it shipped to Rita @ 2085 Mendocino Dr. Bay Point, CA 94565.



OUR SPEAKER

Inge Yarborough introduced her husband, Bill.

Bill has authored a newly released book "*Memories of MK-Ultra*." He explained the book is a fictionalized account of events that actually happened to him and his siblings in the summer of 1958.

The CIA ran mind-control experiments on unsuspecting people of all ages to find ways to better obtain information in the race to counter Soviet and CCP efforts. Drugs, torture, shock

treatments, and other methods were utilized. Many test subjects never recovered. The program contributed to the drug revolution and counter culture of the 1960s and the distrust of government and traditional institutions.

The book focuses on the life-changing effects for the main characters as they come of age into early adulthood and on the healing journey of the protagonist.



For more information on the subject, go to billyarborough.com. The "novel" tab takes you past details about the novel & the author's experiences to non-fiction books and articles about MK-ULTRA.

"*Memories of MK-ULTRA*" can be purchased at Amazon and other retailers.

DRAWING

Al Kappadahl won the drawing and pulled the black marble.

Unfortunately, Nick won last week, so the Starbucks card may have more value than the pot.

Next week's speaker is John Shelton from Temple Bread. On November 22, Tina Akins will be teaching members how to better use DACdb - the club's information database.

Upcoming Speakers

Club Leaders

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President-Elect

[Sandra J Newman](#)
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[William P. McQueen Jr](#)



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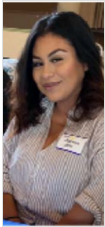
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