



MEETING NOTES: December 5, 2018

Guests: Mike Heller from Habitat for Humanity and Jennifer from the Yoga Like classes were guests.

Happy Dollars: Earl Abbe and Joy gave in honor of Sheldon's recovery. Bea mentioned the Peru Marathon of fifty-one miles. Merilee was happy about time with her daughter. Patrice also had a visit from her son and daughter.

Thought for the Day: Bea spoke about the Camp Fire loss and then she led a song on her guitar for the whole group.



Raffle: Bea and Merilee won.



An Honorary Paul Harris Fellow was awarded to Earl Abbe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Camp Fire Donations: We have now received \$9,000 from See's candy sales and donations. Thus, with the matching funds, we will be giving \$15,000.

St. Patrick's Event: We need a co-chair to volunteer.

A donation of \$500 was made to the STEM program at local schools.

PROGRAM



Mike Heller spoke about the efforts of Habitat for Humanity, a group that builds homes for those who cannot afford typical housing costs. Thus far, they have built twenty-two homes in Livermore, twenty townhomes near BART, and thirty townhomes are now being built in Hayward. The East Bay group has an

impressive history for building over five hundred new homes in last thirty years in this area.

Future projects will involve building forty-two homes in Pleasant Hill, ten in Bay Point, thirty at the site of the old Alameda Naval Air Station, and ten in Walnut Creek.

Nationally, there are 1700 chapters of Habitat for Humanity. Ninety percent of the organization is composed of volunteers. They are required to be at least sixteen years old but are not required to have any background in building. Families are partners in the process. They can buy a house for about fifty percent of its retail value. However, they need to render five hundred hours of volunteer work on these projects. Financial requirements are very favorable to these families as well. No cash down payment is needed. They are given thirty years of low-cost repayment on the loans. Families pay back principle only, but they cannot sell the unit until it is completely paid off. It is a conditional sales contract. If they must move out, the balance of the loan is cancelled. A ReStore location on Monument Blvd, run by Habitat for Humanity, offers housing materials, furnishings and appliances for purchase. Many of these items have been donated.

HOLIDAY PARTY 2018



Pictured below, District Governor Jon Dwyer honored **Bea Moulton, Ruth Reeves** and **Joy Alaidarous** for more than \$10,000 in combined donations. **Patrice Jensen** was recognized for her Presidency in 2017-2018.



CALENDAR

Today	Reta Wilcox – Rossmoor Fund
Next Week	Chester Santos – Memory Fun 101