



MEETING NOTES: November 14, 2018

Sunshine: Ted Tomblinson was released from hospital.

Happy Dollars: Bob Selinger and Joy were happy about football. Chuck Lamb gave for the Trojans loss. Bob Sutherland was rooting for the Golden Bears. Earl was relieved that family had escaped the fire. Tom Huse noted the celebration of WWI Armistice Day. Both Pat Zahn and Earl Abbe were happy about their health recoveries.



Thought for the Day: We were reminded about how critical gratitude is. Being thankful and returning kindnesses are also important to one's happiness.



Raffle: Bob Sutherland and Joy won.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Congratulations! Pins were awarded to Joy Alaidarous and Sue Adams.

Honduras Program: The WASH Honduras program is improving life for poor Honduran kids by better sanitation and education.

Catering: Starting in December, Il Pavone will be catering weekly meetings. The price will be \$25.

Reminder: No meetings will be held on December 12th, December 26th and January 2nd.



Sign up for the Holiday Party!

A wonderful evening is planned for Wednesday, December 12th at 5 PM in the Fireside Room. You will have a choice of medallions of beef, grilled salmon, or stacked polenta veggie lasagna. Wine is included. Entertainment will be provided by the San Ramon Valley High School Chamber Choir. District 5160 VIPs will be attending to hand out some special awards. We will be providing rides for those requesting it. Send your check for \$50 per person with your food choice to Joy Alaidarous, 2737 Ptarmigan Drive, #2, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.

Campfire Rotary donations will be accepted and matched from the Club for a \$2000 match. Make checks to Foundation.

Nominations for the board are needed.

PROGRAM

Peggy White, director of the Diablo Regional Arts Association and Foundation (DRAA) and former dancer, gave an overview of the many projects she oversees. DRAA, the fundraising partner of the Leshner Center for the Arts, invests in artistic excellence within the Leshner Center for the Arts through quality live theatre, visual arts, and youth education, while providing avenues of accessibility for everyone to enjoy the arts.



Several areas she noted were:

- The Jazz Series, currently in its eighth season, offers performances by world-renowned musicians.
- More than 100 women gathered to launch the Diablo Regional Arts Association's (DRAA) Women's Artistic Alliance.
- The Bedford Gallery, a program of the City of Walnut Creek, exhibits the work of historic, modern, and contemporary artists. With 3,500 square feet of exhibition space, Bedford Gallery is the largest community-based visual arts facility between the Bay Area and Sacramento. The Gallery organizes and presents four to five exhibitions each year. They offer lectures, workshops, panel discussions, and other kinds of public programs. Gallery docents give free tours that include hands-on art projects to over 3,500 school children each year, in addition to tours for seniors and adult groups.
- The Young Rep Program offers opportunities to train and develop students interested in the theatre arts. Performance workshops, script writing, and musical theater are a few of the experiences available. Scholarships are also provided.
- College Notes is an A Capella Program underwritten by Kaiser Permanente for college groups across America. It deals with mental health issues. Older kids conduct workshops with younger children.
- In the future country music will be expanded and an outdoor plaza will be developed.

CALENDAR

Today	Ben Weise - Contra Costa Resource Conservation District
Dec. 5	Rotary District Governor Jonathen Dwyer
Dec. 12	No Meeting Holiday Party at 5 PM in the Fireside Room