

Rotary



Club of Livermore

Spur Report 3-3-21

By Kathy S. Coyle on Sunday, March 7, 2021

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Your Spur Report today is Susan Mayall



The Pledge was led by Markus, and followed by the wonderful music of Michael and Stu, with a little help from the Beatles. Though **When I'm 64** now reminds me how far beyond that age I am, it's still one of my favorite songs. Thank you, Michael and Stu, for the work you put into this.



The Thought of the Day was given by Ted Michels. He told of a talk by a Philosophy professor to his class. This featured a Mayonnaise Jar and two beers, plus several golf balls, a few pebbles, and some sand. Listen to the story on the recording! It led to an inspiring and enjoyable conclusion. We need more philosophers like that!

There were no visiting Rotarians and no guests. Carolyn showed two beautiful photographs taken in Brushy Peak Regional Park, demonstrating how ones perspective changes according to the view of the moment.



Announcements

Club Grants Mary Anne Rozsa reminded us that applications were due that day. There were 14 in already, from teachers and the community.

A volunteer is needed for a Thought of the Day coordinator. Call President Carolyn if interested.

Next Week's Program: Rotary Children's Fund- Golden Gates International Cultural Exchange Program
Vitaliy Bezrodnov



Club Assembly



President Carolyn opened with the words of Holger Knaack, President of Rotary International, "Change has always been a part of Rotary's mission." The past year has shown that Rotary is stronger than Covid. The club goal was to reach donations of \$30,000 for the RI annual fund, \$10,000 for Polio Plus. Both have been achieved. The continued aim is for every Rotarian to donate to RI. every year.

Pat McMenamain introduced three Paul Harris Fellows who have achieved new levels " Glenn Kubiak level 1, Evonne Hopkins Level 3, Linda Tinney level 4.



He went on to announce that the Trustees of the Rotary International Foundation had declared our member Goud Memula and his wife Chandrakala to be Level 2 Major Donors. In honor of their generosity they have been awarded two crystal medallions.

Pat then introduced Goud. Chandrikala was unable to be with him. He gave an inspiring talk about arriving in America 55 years ago with no money and no family, making his own way, achieving a successful career, founding a happy family. He says he is "Happy and proud" to donate to Rotary, and feels it is "the best way to help the needs of humanity around the world." Having traveled to 45 countries he is personally aware of the problems and poverty of so many, and is grateful that he has had so many opportunities himself.



America and Rotary are lucky to have Goud and Chandrikala.

Area 4 Global Grant



Jeff Roundsma reported on the projects made possible by our Club's share of this grant, which amounted to \$15,000. The Area 4 Board had suggested Eden Hospital as a recipient. At a meeting with Pulmonologists and other respiratory specialists there it was determined that there were too many problems with present treatments for very sick Covid patients " they were too invasive, often led to complications and slow recovery. They were also expensive in terms of staffing and use of rooms. And most of all, they were extremely uncomfortable for the patient.

A new device, the VapoTherm NIV, delivers oxygen to the patient through a nasal canula, allowing her/him to eat normally, move around, generally be much more comfortable. Recovery is faster. Eden had only 2 of these. The Rotary Grant allowed it to buy or borrow 6 more. Eden has 120 beds, of which 20 are the ICU. The new device has enabled them to make 16 more beds available to the ICU, and suffering is much less. It serves a large unrepresented community.

We continue to support AXIS health system. There is a need for "at home" blood pressure monitoring. The devices have arrived, and volunteers to deliver them will be needed at the end of March

Coaniquem Burn Center in Chile has long been a recipient of aid from our Club. Kathy Coyle reported on past and present cooperation and successes, with slides to illustrate. Kathy and Pat have long been sponsors of a child there, and she emphasized the hopeful and child centered atmosphere of the organization. Using lasers in Rehab. leads to shorter and better outcomes. To sponsor a child or donate please use the Club website which lists Coaniquem.



Christian Chukwuma immediately donated \$250.

AND ♦ to end a year of Pandemic and to celebrate a possible ♦End of the tunnel♦ President Carolyn announced that there will be a Zoom wine and snacks party at 6.30 on March 12. Wine provided by Big White House ♦ pick up at 10-12. We made it ♦ so far!

Links and Advertisers

Check out our Flickr site for all of today's photos and more!

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/62794352@N07/albums/with/72157709710922731>

Today's video will be available on our web site: <https://livermore-rotary.org/2020-21>

The collage contains the following advertisements:

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- Mary Anne Rozsa**: Broker Associate, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, 925.963.0887 (mobile), 925.963.0887 (office), 540 Main Street Suite 207, Pleasanton, CA 94508.
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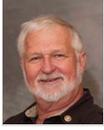
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Club Meeting

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Meets at We are meeting via Zoom for the foreseeable future.

Zoom

Livermore, CA 94551

Time: Wednesday at 12:00 PM