

August 14, 2024

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Call to Order

Her Highness, The Pamster, called the meeting order at 12:10.

Pledge

Greg led us in the pledge to our flag, after which we were told to sit down.

Moment of Silence

Was held for our very own Dana who fell at home recently. We were also asked to keep Georgette in our thoughts. She is still recovering from a recent hospital stay.

Thought for the Day

The lovely and talented Faith, who lights up whatever room she enters, asked us to get out of our comfort zone from time to time and go out and do something special for someone. In other words, "Live Rotary."

Guests

We welcomed future members Kathy Miller Wells, Wilda Shock and Diane Plante Tompkins (later that day Diane became an official member of the club).

Fellowship

Was wonderful!

Happy Bucks/Detective

Detective Tom O'Rourke fined Art for sending him a viral email which, after making the rookie mistake of opening it, trashed his computer. Art got a big chuckle out of the whole thing, as did the rest of the membership. You would think that AAA had trained Tom better than that.

On to Happy Bucks:

\$10. Faith donated her cat which had its tail eaten to Diane.

\$100. Jeff W. is happy to be the proud new part owner of the Skylark Shores Resort. Looking forward someday to being 100% owner.

\$10. Diane is just tickled to have her new cat "Bob" in the house.j

\$20. Diane is happy to be the newest member of the club.

\$24. Dave S. just returned from an Alaskan cruise for 24 people, of which he was one. And someone else paid for it!

\$10. My darling Ruth bragged about her new "salt and pepper" kittens that someone tossed over our fence. California being a community property state, the kittens are unfortunately one-half mine.

\$10. Beth was happy that Lance spruced up her Aunt Linda's classic Geo Tracker and hung a "for sale" sign on it. It sold quickly.

\$10. Me....our daughter Amelia and family just moved to a new home in Carmichael. Ruth and I visited last weekend.

The "Bell": Project

Pam reminded us that we still need to contribute \$\$\$ to help complete the project.

Induction

Diane Plante Tompkins was duly inducted into the club by club President Pam. Welcome aboard, Diane !!

Announcements

Sponsoring Survivorship Walk-a-thon will be held on October 5.

Pam shared thank you cards from two of our scholarship recipients, Oliver and Reilly.

Pam reminded us that District Governor Jim O'Grady will grace the club with his presence next week. There will be a pot luck shindig at Ripe Choice Farms on Tuesday, August 20, in his honor. Bring your dish and choice of beverage.

Dave S. shared that the club board of directors recently met and approved Pam's extravagant \$83,000 budget. She needs the money to help us celebrate the club's centennial anniversary next year.

Rotary After Dark will be held at the Westlake Clubhouse on August 28. It's Karaoke night!

Mark reminded everyone that the next 100 Bucks Strong gathering will be at my house on September 12 at 6 p.m. After we give away the \$\$\$, there will be an epic Corn Hole tournament. Laura got a big laugh out of that!

Sunshine

Beth shared all of the club's landmark celebrations for the month.

Birthdays: Kelly B., Denise C., President Pam, Tom L. Deb W.

Club anniversaries: Matt B. 100 years; April 13 years; Tom O. 26 years.

Wedding anniversaries: Dennis 2 years; Laura 15 years.

Program

Our speaker was Filemon Lara-Lopez, who heads up Mendocino College's "Handshake" program. His program helps bring students and prospective employers together. He helps students build resumes and conduct job searches. Employers use his services as a recruiting platform. He helps employers build their brands, source qualified talent, nurture relationships and fill recruiting pipelines. More information can be found at careerhub@mendocino.edu.

Finley

I think Laura won the \$10. And I know I won the booze and bath salts. What a wonderful addition to go with our very expensive master bath remodel! Ruth can use the salts; I can use the vodka.

Adjourn

We adjourned.