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MEETING NOTES: 10/09/2024

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn H. at 12:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David B. A patriotic song was sung.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Nina C., a friend of Brenda J.

Thought for the Day: Connie P. read some good things about getting older: It gives you the perfect excuse to forget things; you know lots of stories to tell; you can tell those stories many times; and you can amaze your friends with obscure facts preceded by "I remember when."

Happy Dollars: David B, happy his health is better; Connie, happy her husband is better; Irv, happy for his 91st birthday; Eddie worried his son is staying in Orlando during the storm and not evacuating, but happy his team did well in Philadelphia. He and many others acknowledged the Hamas attack one year ago; Ellen, our speaker, was pleased that her Covid is gone and she can taste again; Sue is happy she will be getting lots of food donations on Saturday morning; Norm happy he has his Blue Badge; Patrice, happy Ellen is our speaker, but has a friend in the hospital and also worries that her sister is in the heart of the hurricane.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rotary's 37th Annual Gala - November 9th

Tickets are now on sale for the upcoming Gala fundraiser. You may purchase them before the weekly meetings or online at rossmoorrotary.com/gala. Costs are: \$175 pp / \$1200 table for 8 / \$1500 table for 10. Payment can be made by check, cash, or credit card. Checks are made payable to: Rossmoor Rotary Foundation or RRF. For more information contact Sharon Long at 209-304-5118.

Gala items must be in to Kathy or Alison by the meeting on October 23, at the very latest.

Sharon says only 87 tickets have been sold. We need to sell 150. Please help sell tickets.

Carolyn presented Norm A. with his blue badge.

TGIF is rescheduled to 10/25 at Dollar Clubhouse at 4 p.m.

Walnut Creek Service Day is October 12. Sue A. is in charge of collecting groceries for the food drive from 8:30 to 12 beside Gateway Clubhouse. Please bring groceries to her there.

Carolyn says she will start to have cards on the table, where we can list something no one else knows about ourselves. She will collect the cards, and then every once in a while, when there is time, pull out one of the cards and see if anyone knows who wrote the card. A little bit of fun.

Raffle: Sharon won a bottle of wine and Norm won the money.

PROGRAM

Realtor Ellen Osmundson has dealt with many seniors, and is interested in bringing services to her senior clients. She had heard of Walnut Creek Village, but discovered it was no longer functioning. She is now trying to bring it back.

Walnut Creek Village will be part of the national Village organization dedicated to bettering the lives of people 55 and older. There is already a Lamorinda Village and a Clayton Valley Village in Contra Costa County.

The first of the Villages was Beacon Hill Village, Boston, started in 2002. The ideal is Villages all over the country which work together and support each other. In Country Costa County there is a mother hub for the three local Villages, called CoCoAging. This entity does the administrative work for the Contra Costa County Villages, taxes, and fund raising. The three Villages in the County then work at connecting seniors, keeping them learning, keeping them moving, and supporting them with volunteer services, such as wellness, drivers, handymen, etc. The three Villages will share programs, events, conferences.

Walnut Creek Village needs a meeting place. If you know of a church or other agency that could give them free working space, please let her know. Her contact information is 925-890-4276 or EllenOsmundson.com. There is a monthly membership fee to join Walnut Creek Village, to begin to pay the Village's expenses. Please help getting the word out about the Village.

November 22 the Village is meeting at Sports Basement to walk to the Rose Garden at Heather Farms, and back.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m.

Correction: Last week's meeting notes in the Program section should have read, "there is no 'l' in team."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 11	4:30 TGIF Party Rossmoor Dollar Clubhouse
Oct 16	Dark

Oct 23	Brenday Birrell – Global Uplift Project
Oct 30	Wayne Canterbury – Experience at US Supreme Court
Nov 6	Dark (see you at the Gala Nov. 9!)

PHOTOS



