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MEETING NOTES: 12/04/2024

Call to Order: Carolyn H. rang the meeting to order at 12:31. David B. led the flag salute. The Patriotic song was the National Anthem. Carolyn H. reminded us of the Four Way Test.

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: None noted

Thought for the Day: Paul W. presented the thought of the Day, "do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

Happy Dollars: Joy A. is happy as her budget was approved by the finance committee, David B. happy to play Santa Claus on Saturday and Sunday at the Benicia State Capitol, Sharon L. happy to provide money for the lunch server and Jim O. is also happy for the lunch server.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The weekly meetings will not be held on Wednesday, December 25 or Wednesday, January 1.

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 1P.M. by Carolyn H. The minutes of the Annual Meeting of 2023 were read by Anne. As there were no additions or corrections, Joy A moved to accept the minutes, and Bill B seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Nominating Committee consisting of Carolyn H, Peter V S, Jim O and Sue A nominated Peter V S as President-elect for July, 2025-26; John S as President Nominee July, 2026-27; Irv F as Treasurer July, 2025-2026 and Paul W as Secretary July, 2025-2026... The Nominating Committee also nominated two new Directors, each for a 1-year term: Norm A and David C. Patrice J moved to accept the slate of nominees as presented. Sharon L seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

The regular meeting proceeded. An amendment to the bylaws was presented by John R to comply with the Golden Rain room booking process which was approved as amended.

Weekly meeting discussions: Holiday Party presented by Patrice J. suggesting donations to Trinity Center clothes drive, One Warm Coat or Gift Baskets. The Ukulele Club will provide music and a sing along at our meeting. The club was asked to bring a pair of warm socks for the Trinity Center clothes drive for which they also need jeans and belts and sweats. The Rossmoor Rotary Club will present \$100 as a thank you gift to the lady who cleans up after our meetings. Sharon L. wrote a letter for the Rossmoor News describing the

generosity of the Rossmoor Rotary Club. The annual Sees Candy sales need signups for volunteers to help the sale at several locations.

Raffle: Sue A. won the money and Joy A. won the lunch.

Anniversaries: Joy A. and David C.

PROGRAM

Janette Kennedy of Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa was the presenter she explained that the Loaves and Fishes organization raises funds to help feed many in Contra Costa County. She has 20 years' experience with this organization.

Janette has attended several different Rotary Meetings in the area. This is a community-based organization for people who are food insecure. 2,843 people are unhoused and food insecure in the county. Loaves and Fishes was started in 1983 as a community based nonprofit organization. There are five dining rooms serving Contra Costa County. These dining rooms serve up to 4,000 meals per day. The Trinity Center is a partner of Loaves and Fishes. The average meal cost is \$2.83 and the food bank also helps provide the food. Everyone is welcome to come for a meal with no qualifications required. There is a central kitchen, which prepares the food with mobile delivery units taking the food from central kitchen to six partners.

51.4% of their diners rely on Loaves and Fishes for their only hot meal of the day. The organization has a work force development 12-week culinary arts training for 8-10 students per class who are learning culinary skills to help them get jobs.

Loaves and Fishes has recently purchased a refrigerated van with the support of the Martinez Rotary and cosponsored by the Pleasant Hill Rotary. The van cost is \$51,000. Loaves and Fishes is looking for Rotary contributions. Currently Loaves and Fishes sponsors a Gala Golf Event with the tournament at Rossmoor on June 2nd. Food drives are also very helpful contributors to the Food Bank. Martinez Rotary thanked us for our contribution toward the van purchase.

The meeting adjourned at 1:31.

UPCOMING EVENTS

| Dec 11 | Holiday Party – Hillside clubhouse 12-1:30 |
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| Dec 18 | RRF Trustee Meeting 9:30am |
| Dec 18 | Club Board of Directors Meeting 10:30 |
| Dec 18 | Dan Giraldi District Governor 5160 – District Programs |
| Dec 25 | DARK |
| Jan 1 | DARK |

PHOTOS



Carolyn and Janette