



Rotary **ROSSMOOR ROTARY NEWS**



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MEETING NOTES: 12/18/2024

Call to Order: President Carolyn. David B. National Anthem

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Debbie R., FAB 5 Rep

Thought for the Day: John K. presented comments on “Illuminating the World” from Elizabeth Gilbert. A more serious TFTD from John who usually presents something humorous. The homily described a bus driver who asked his passengers to leave all their negative thoughts in his palm as they departed his bus; thus, freeing them from their troubles. He would drop their bad thoughts into the Hudson River.

Happy Dollars: David B., Eddie F. (happy with the visit to see his son in Texas); Bill B. for our members generosity; Jim D.;, Ron B., appreciating our celebration of his birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Board- Approved donating speaker fees to non-profit community organizations whose speakers present their projects to us rather than awarding their fees to Trinity. All other speakers' certificates and fees will go to Trinity.

Trinity- Friday, Bill, Carolyn, and others will cook. Carolyn is still working on ironing out details about working in the Trinity mail room. More to come.

SEE's Candies- Due to bad weather, Rotary will setup this Friday at Safeway from 10-4. John R. has gotten member commitments to work. We need to sell \$7k this Friday and Saturday if possible.

Gift Basket- “All things Italian” gift basket presented to District Governor Dan to be auctioned off by another club with proceeds going to the Districts' support of the Wheelchair Foundation.

Raffle: Peter S., lunch; Joy

PROGRAM

Dan G., District 5160. Dan gave a spirited talk about the activities of the District. He talked about the last two years when women have ascended to Rotary International Presidencies. This year, Stephanie Urchick became the first female American president. Dan told the story about how she came up with the theme, "The Magic of Rotary."

Dan highlighted Rotary's work in "Ending Polio Now." It is an example of how Rotary has been doing "good in the world" for the last 119 years.

Dan emphasized the priority of membership, and that the district hoped to gain 100 new Rotarians each year. That each of our members sets a goal of inviting one guest to our meetings.

Dan's theme for District 5160 is "Our Rotary Family." Like his Rotary family, Rotary brings families together. It is an example of one of the Four Truths, will we "build goodwill and better friendships?"

District 5160 exists to support all our clubs. It is one of the largest in the Big West with 68 clubs from San Ramon in the South to Weed in the North. He praised our Club as being one of the most generous in individual donations to Rotary International, and our Foundations' generous gifts to local organizations.

Dan asked us to check DACdb for dates of upcoming events; e.g., the District Assemblies; the annual district 5160 Conference, and the International Conference in Calgary.

Finally, Dan acknowledged members John R and Sharon L for their dedicated work in all ways for our club this year.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 25	DARK
Jan 1	DARK
Jan 8	10:30 Club Board of Directors Meeting
Jan 8	Ken Dowling – Habitat for Humanity

PHOTOS



