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Notes: James O July 31, 2024

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MEETING NOTES: 07/31/2024

Call to Order: President Carolyn H. <u>Pledge</u>-David B., <u>Patriotic Song</u>- John Legend, National Anthem

Guests and Visiting Rotarians: Alice B, Leese C, Philip B, Lynn G, Steve & Jackie O, Claire R, Daryl W, Suzanne E

Thought for the Day: Nancy R-The Wright brothers flew through a smoke screen of impossibility. "As long as you are going to think, think big."

Happy Dollars: Eddie F. happy to be going away for a few days; Joy, for the presentation by the LGBTQ Alliance, and the speedy recovery of our scribe, her daughter Belinda, from her mountain biking accident; Jean D. on her enjoyment of the Olympics; David B., on his purchase of a new truck, and BEING ABLE TO DRIVE; Kathy S., thanking our guest speakers; and Irv F. for a recent family visit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carolyn H.-Report on Trinity Shelter Activities

T<u>GIF</u>, July 26, Club Room, Creekside-Well attended with 30+ attendees. Good food and drink. The highlight was our salute to the life of Mitzi B. Beloved by all, especially her husband George who paid tribute with a poem, and the good words from 4 of her children who described the life of a "woman with spunk," and class. We need to thank Bill B, Carolyn H., and Alison L., for their aid in setting up. We want to do TGIF's more often.

<u>Julayo</u> Event- 8/24/2024, to raise money in the organizations efforts to build health care facilities in third world countries that are underserved.

<u>"Midnight in Paris"-</u> Kathy S, APC(Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and Cancer) Silent Auction Kickoff. Sign-up sheets for various categories of items with their coordinators were put out for signators.

Raffle: Both won by Ron B. choice of wine, yogurt, or Starbuck's.

PROGRAM

<u>**Guest Speakers from the LGBTQ Alliance-**</u> The talk was a joint effort led by Alex, Lynn, and Darryl. They talked about learning "to be true to themselves," and the societal obstacles to their being accepted. In essence, their talk described that they desire the "same things" that all of us do; love, understanding, acceptance, and non-discrimination in employment, housing, health care, etc. We were told about what the Alliance does in creating awareness through educational programs, and their slogan of "moving forward." The LGBTQ Alliance has been at work since its formation in 2016. The Alliance is combatting 550 pieces of legislation nationwide denying them their equal rights. The Alliance's educational outreach programs are aimed at helping all of us understand that the LGBTQ community are just normal people, like all of us. The Alliance website is: rossmoorlgbta.org. Check it out.

Special thanks to Joy A. for encouraging our Club to embrace RI advocacy of DEI in its worldwide and nationwide clubs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 7	David Whelk – Climbing Mt. Everest
Aug 14	David Behring – Wheelchair Foundation
Aug 14	10:30 Club Board of Directors Meeting
Aug 21	10:30 RRF Trustee Meeting
Aug 21	Chrysty Lyng – Sisters of Sobriety