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#### **ROTARY CLUB OF LIVERMORE**



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"A very good club"

Noon Club News

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#### Livermore-rotary.org

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### **President Sblend's comments**

As we lean into the holiday season, it's time to remember our friends and family. As Rotarians, and especially as Livermore Rotarians, we must also remember our commitment to our community's young people and those less fortunate than us. Our club's support for children is a commitment to the future of Livermore. Our club's support for those in need should exemplify the Four Way Test. As you read this, our fellow Rotarians are collecting needed items for families, they are planning a holiday party, and Beth Wilson is delivering socks. I'm sure that there may be other activities that our club is doing to help others. I hope that each of you attend our in-person or zoom meetings with a smile knowing that you are part of making our community better.



### President-Elect Sheila Fagliano's calendar

MEETING CALENDAR—December

Wednesday 7: Kelly Bowers and Goud Memula Birthdays and Anniversaries
Wednesday 14: Chris Filice — Livermore High School Choir Wednesday 21: Nicholas Harvey — Bay Area Redwood Sustainability

Student of the month from Del Valle High School Theme for the month TBA Thursday 22: Board meeting



### Secretary Joel Swanson — November Board Highlights

Visiting the Board of Directors meeting this week was the District 5170 Governor, Ms Savita Vaidhyanathan. During the meeting, Savita discussed satellite clubs with us, as a way of getting younger working people into our club, without them having to meet at noon on a work day. The satellite club could meet in the evenings, maybe at a restaurant, and our club would have an evening meeting maybe once a month to enable the satellite club to join the rest of us in a meeting.

President Sblend presented a proposed change to the Club Bylaws. The change would allow more flexibility in filling positions, eliminating the requirement that someone filling a position be an elected member of the board. The Board of Directors voted to send this change to the club for a vote.



### Treasurer Report—Norm Bregman

The November cash balance on November I was \$70,944.62. On October I we had a cash balance of \$67,769.00. The increase was a function of collecting almost all outstanding and facility fees.

Expenses were much higher in October as a function of Mini-Grants being distributed in the amount of \$4,860. \$700 in Mini-

Grants is still outstanding.

The bill from our accountant covering the months of March through June was less then budgeted.

We received a cash check for \$10,463.75 for a Global Grant that Pat Coyle will be the point person on.

Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the Treasurer and the President prepare a budget of estimated income and expenditures for the year, which stands as the limit of expenditures, unless otherwise ordered by action of the Board. Balances in Re-



stricted funds held by the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore are not included in the budget but are noted as funds available for uses

prescribed. Board approval is required for distribution from those funds.

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## Community Service — Loretta Kaskey

Earlier in the year, Sunflower Hill at Hagemann Ranch received a Rotary grant for a new shed. The new shed (it will be an upgrade) will replace an older shed which had served its function.

On Nov. 5, we took on the project of preparing the way for the new shed by 1) unloading the contents of the old shed, 2) dismantling the old shed, and 3) making a level base for the new shed.

Loretta Kaskey





The old shed emptied and the start of the demolition.

Old shed about to come down.



This is where the new shed will go.



. Once the demolition had been cleaned up, we moved on to leveling the site for the new shed.



The old shed is down. I don't know if this is a Livermore Rotary record, but the clearing and demolition took less than 27 minutes and that includes the morning coffee and donuts.



### Membership — Alan Burnham

In the previous monthly newsletter and in my club presentations, I've provided statistics on our membership composition and trends. In brief, **we shrunk 20%** from 2017 to 2022, our club is **considerably older** than Livermore adults, and we are **not as diverse in race and ethnicity** as our community. **We lose about 10% of our members each year**, so we need to induct nearly one new member every month to stay even and more to grow.

This month we inducted two new members, Chau Pham Bui and Linda Stanford, which is great. This brings us to 99 active members from a low earlier this year of 96. We haven't had any attrition yet, but we cannot count on that continuing, so we need to serious get back to our goal of inducting at least one member per month or we will continue to decline.

How are we going to do that? We discussed a potential expansion of our corporate memberships, and some of us are working on a few possibilities. **Most of us, however, have more potential individually to bring in new members.** Here are a few suggestions to help do that.



1. Invite a member to a regular meeting. Look at the agenda for upcoming meetings and think of someone who might be interested. The next three are posted on our website: <u>https://livermorerotary.org/</u>

2. When you see a visitor at our meetings, introduce yourself and tell them how happy you are that they are visiting. Look for areas of common ground.

3. When we have a work project, think about whether any of your friends might want to help and invite them to join with no obligation. When they learn more about us, maybe they will become interested in joining.

4 When our new member socials reactivate early next year, bring a friend to socialize and be introduced to what Rotary is all about.

Alan Burnham

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### Major Events — Linda Tinney

Well, fellow Rotarians, it is that time of the year when the "crab feed committee" begins planning the annual crab feed. Bob Cowan and Don Wentz are busy organizing their committee and scheduling weekly meetings so that we can, once again, enjoy this fabulous event. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we will no longer be holding the event at the AAHMES Shrine Event Center. Instead, the crab feed will be held on Friday, March 3, 2023 at the Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Avenue. The committee is busy securing food & supplies, wait-staff help, raffle items and organizing crews to assist with every task including clean-up and haul-away when the event is over. Bob and Don are our crab feed leaders assisted by:

Trex Donovan (Scouts & Clean-up) Joel Swanson (Scouts & Kitchen) Sheila Fagliano (Set up) Marc Roberts Mike Thompson Debbie Peck (Flyer & Forms) Debbie Peck & Kathleen Tabet (Ticket Sales) Diana Geyer (Raffle Items – Inner Wheel) Sonya Sheffield (Public Relations) Gordon Jones (Bar) Glenn Kubiak (Banker) Carolyn Siegfried & Sblend Sblendorio (Sponsorships) Carole Lince (Interact)

### Club Service — Gordon Jones

I am not working on anything related to Service Director position right now, but I am responsible for bar actions for the March Crab Feed.

I am gathering details for ABC alcohol license but need City Police sign off first. I need to chat with AV team on the possibility of a second display as people at midpoint and rear of room may be unable to see Presenters PowerPoint slides.

Gordon Jones





## International Services Committee — Goud Memula

The International Services committee members include Goud Memula as Chair and Pat Coyle, Pat McCandless, Paul Thompson, Keith Beck, and Evonne Hopkins.

The following are updates on completed projects, proposed, and planned Activities.

- ENT (Ear, Nose, Throat) mobile Van project implementation is very successful. Last 4 months, 524 children were screened for hearing deficiency that resulted in 28
  - surgeries, 23 received hearing aids, and 33 needed further investigation.
- Our club agreed to be the international partner of a Global Grant 2342155 project Anubandh (India). Anubandh Project is an end-to-end solution for Cancer patients involving
  - a) Basic Cancer Awareness & Screening,
  - b) Cancer Diagnostics for confirmation,
  - c) Cancer Treatment and
  - d) Counselling, cancer screening will be for breast, cervical and throat/mouth cancers. Our club will be raising funds to purchase \$10,000 DDF from our District 'MaxTheMatch' program and \$1,000 cash. In the event, we cannot purchase DDF, our cash contribution will be \$19,950
- ENT is pursuing to expand the hearing project in Nepal to detect hearing loss and treat including surgeries for more children.
- ENT is exploring development of a project in cooperation with Peace Corps.

ENT is looking to start a youth exchange program and to hosting in Livermore International Students from UC Berkeley for a weekend.





## Vocational Services — Paul McCandless

**Vocational Service**: Paul Harris wrote: "Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession." Vocational Service may be the least understood of the Rotary Avenues

of Service, and yet it is the very foundation of Rotary itself. **Committee members:** Paul McCandless (Director), Carol Howell,

Carolyn Siegfried, Dennis O'Brian, Marc Roberts.

### **ROTARY HAS FOUR "OBJECTS:"**

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.

- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life.
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellow-

ship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service. **VOCATIONAL SERVICES** is the natural outcome of the second objective:

"High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society"

### **ROTARY PROMOTES HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS**

This month let's look at how Rotary promotes high ethical standards with the "4 Way Test." The Four-Way Test was conceived in 1932 by businessman Herbert J. Taylor, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago who served as Rotary International President in 1954-55. Having taken on the task of saving a company from bankruptcy, Taylor developed the test as an ethical guide to follow in all business matters. The company's survival was credited to this simple philosophy.

Adopted by Rotary International in 1934, The Four-Way Test remains an essential way Rotarians measure ethical behavior. It has been translated into dozens of languages and promoted by Rotarians worldwide.

All Rotarians should use this test, and encourage others to use this test, of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Using this test will make you a better person, businessperson, and Rotarian.

Paul McCandless

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## **The Rotary Foundation (TRF)**

Our TRF fundraising goal for Annual Fund is \$66,000 and PolioPlus is \$18,000. To date we achieved 43% of Annual fund goal and 28% of PolioPlus goal.

Our club has set a goal of reaching 100%EREY, meaning Every Rotarian Contributing Every Year.

We are now at 23%, need help from ALL to reach the goal.

All donations of \$100 or more are matched with equal Foundation Recognition Points to reach PHF recognitions quicker.

Patrick and Madeline McMenamin were honored for their outstanding contribution to TRF and reaching Major Donor Level 4 and beyond to become members of Arch Klumps Society with donations greater than \$250,000.

The following club members were recognized for reaching PHF and PHS members:

PHF -Kathlene Tabet
PHF+1 -Paul McCandless
PHF+2 -Sheila Fagliano
PHF+3 -Glen Kubiak
PHF+4 -Sblend Sblendorio, Alan Burnham
PHF+5 -Carol Howell, Carolyn Siegfried
PHF+6 -Tammi Souza, Vern Green, Jeff Youngsma
PHF+7 -Christian Chuckwuma, Norm Bregman
PHF+8 -TJ Gilmartin

Goud Memula





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