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The ROTARY CLUB of LIVERMORE



Rotary Charity Projects



Meeting
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Marty Plone
Thought for the Day

To honor the program speaker we sang a pizza song....AMORE

Before he gave the thought for the day Marty Plone shared with us the reason for his bromance with Warren Buffett....Warren still lives in the same five bedroom house in Omaha that he bought in 1958 for \$31,500 (authors note: this seems low only by current standards....



Rotary Make-up Opportunities in the Tri-Valley

MONDAY	TUESDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	THURSDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
11:55 AM-12:30	7:00 AM	12:15 PM	12:15 PM	7:30 PM	6:00 PM	12:10 PM
Interact	Livermore Valley Club	Dublin Club	Pleasanton Club	Rotaract Club	Tri-Valley Club	Pleasanton North Club
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you could buy a mansion in Livermore for \$31,500 in 1958)...his office is five minutes from his home and he drives himself to work in an ordinary Cadillac. In between his home and office is a MacDonal'd's where he goes through the drive up window and buys the same Egg McMuffin with sausage for \$2.90 every work day. His wife puts the correct change in an envelope each morning. He opens the Egg McMuffin at his desk and eats while he reads one of the five newspapers he reads daily. He does not have a cell phone or a computer in his office. Buffett once said, "give me a jogging suit to wear, a bowl of popcorn and Nebraska football on television and that is all I need to be happy."

And now, the thought for the day...

The early bird may get the work, but the second mouse gets the cheese!



Guest for the day was Katie Brazil from State Farm visiting Rotarian was Gary Schwaegerle a real estate consultant in Pleasanton.



President Don recognized Kathy Streeter as the Rotarian of the quarter for her efforts on birthdays/anniversaries and for the club survey she conducted via Survey Monkey and all the other good work she does for Rotary.



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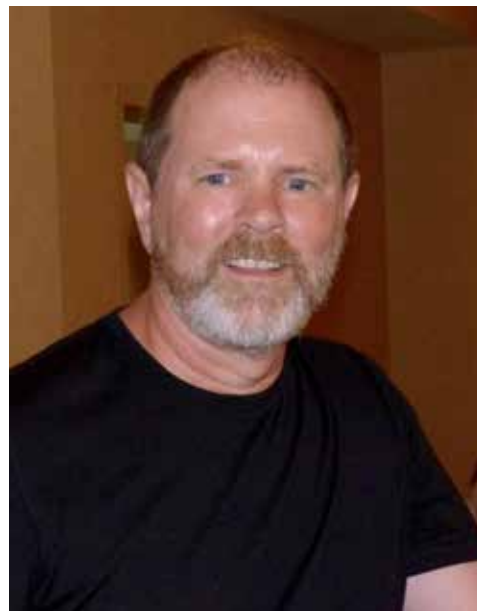
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Lynn Monica, from Sunflower Hill was inducted as a Friend of Rotary. Welcome Lynn!



New Rotarian, Dean Simpson was inducted today by his sponsor Jennifer Tate, Ken Perine and by president Don. Dean is a native of Livermore and works in real estate focusing on reverse mortgages. Welcome Dean!



New member talk by Jon Hart. Jon was born in St Louis and moved to Livermore in 1964 and like many in the club attended Jackson Ave elementary, East Ave middle school and Livermore High. His higher education was also local with an associate degree from Las Positas and a BS in computer science. Apparently

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Jon has an attraction for chaos and spent a lot of time working with high tech start-ups. Jon also tried to be a professional musician but clearly got that out of his system. (Note: I have heard and seen Jon play and he is a very talented bass player). Married to Carol with one daughter Jon is a key member of Livermore Odd Fellows and he is also involved in Livermore Heritage Guild, Open Hearth kitchen and he is in a local band called The Shop along with fellow Rotarians Michael Ferrucci and Jr Romero. Jon closed his remarks by saying the Club will have float in the Rodeo Parade so stay tuned for more information.



Stu Gary recognized Henry Shay with his first Paul Harris. Stu said we are light of our club goal for foundation giving by \$1,100. Stu offered to put in \$500 and Bob Cowan put in the rest. Thank you to the club for hitting the goal.



Cheri Sheets said Senior work day was a success and that there are a couple of follow up projects which she will coordinate. Thanks everyone for their work here.

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Lynn Monica of Sunflower Hill reminded everyone that the green house assembly project is May 16-17 at Hagaman Ranch. There is still time to sign up to help.



Paul Szmyd is getting serious not and took the podium to pitch for volunteers for the Rodeo Parade (June 10). He says we have work that can be done all week prior to the parade and of course on the day of the Parade






Apparently we are going to have a demotion party for president Don. JR reminded us that something will be put together for the last Wednesday of June.

Next Wednesday, instead of a wine fun night we will be going to Altamont Brewery for some brew and snacks.

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Mike Thompson was recognized by Foundation President Pat Coyle, as a grand doner having given over \$1,000 to the Rotarian Foundation of Livermore. Thanks and congratulations Mike.



Jaslynn Liotard introduced this week's speaker, her father Jeff Liotard. Jeff owns Mountain Mikes Pizza and is a member of the Manteca Rotary club (afternoon club).



The program was about Rotary and Charity and Jeff gave a spirited talk on how a few people in Rotary can make a huge difference in other peoples lives. Jeff started in Rotary for, he says, all the wrong reasons. For the marketing and networking opportunities. That soon changed with a trip to Honduras several years

ago when he saw the need for eyeglasses. This initial exposure to an international humanitarian need has grown to a huge effort by Jeff, his family and a handful of committed Rotarians in the Manteca club. He estimates that over 65,000 pairs of glasses have been fitted and given to those in need in Honduras and other nearby Central American countries.

Two years ago Jeff was in Brazil and met a Rotarian who was working with providing

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and fitting prosthetic hands and this effort has been added to the annual effort to provide eyeglasses. Jeff says he has another trip planned for Honduras May 26th...if you are interested.... Thank you Jaslynn for bringing Jeff and his energetic program to the club.

Next week's program will be Scott Kennison.

For the fourth or fifth time in a row Pat Coyle won the drawing....channeling Mr Steele I suppose.





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COMING ATTRACTIONS

- 5/10 Meeting - Speaker Scott Kenison "The Bankhead Theater"
- 5/17 Meeting - Outstanding Educator Awards - Kathy Coyle
- 5/24 Meeting - Speaker Brian Shul "The SR71"
- 5/31 Meeting - Memorial Day Program
- 6/7 Meeting - Speaker Paul Szmyd - Rodeo Parade

Our June 7 meeting will be at the Rodeo Grounds

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