



Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club
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Minutes of the Meeting

Meeting conducted at Sportsman's Hall, Camino

Members present: Eric Bonnicksen, Christa Campbell, Ken Harper, Jack Mallinson, Jim Maroun, Rich Mason (Fuzzy), Kevin Monsma, Dave Rogers, Dennis Staller,

Guests: Pat Kernan

Guest Speakers: Ron & Linda Buchanan

President Elect Jim opened the meeting at 8:00 am.

Birthdays: Fuzzy is celebrating his birthday this week. Happy birthday!

Two bits...dollar: Fuzzy contributed to celebrate a 23 hour trip to southern California to see his new grandson. The young man is the brother of a boy who had previously been adopted by the same family. Christa contributed to celebrate, and congratulate Kevin on his acceptance of a position as Associate Superintendent in the County Office of Education. Fuzzy again contributed and complimented Carol, and the participants in the club music contest.

Membership minute: Dennis let us know that there have been some expressions of interest in becoming a member from different people. Guest Pat Kernan let us know that he would like to become a member.

Guest speaker: Our guest speakers are members of the Board of Directors of Cornerstone of Hope, a faith-based transitional living home that will meet the needs of homeless women with children. Linda is the President, and Ron is the Treasurer. Another board member is an attorney, who has done the organization's formation paperwork. Other board members include a retired Probation Officer, a banker, and an educator. The organization is currently seeking IRS 501c3 status.

Many of the women they hope to serve have problems with substance addition, and personal family violence. In order to be accepted, a woman must have been drug-free for two years. The

organization teaches life lessons that the women need, such as personal finance, parenting, and other basic skills. The group wants to establish a group home which will be family, rather than rule structured. The goal is to get women to the point where they can get jobs, become independent, and be good parents.

The organization is self-supported, getting no government funding because it is a faith-based group. They depend on donations from private individuals, churches, and grants. They hope to start with four women. They hope to purchase a five-bedroom house in Pollock Pines.

A fundraising dinner is planned using a County & Western theme. A golf tournament is planned at a cost of \$125 per person. The date is May 23rd. The fundraising goal is to get \$40 thousand.

Rotarians At Work: Scheduled for April 23rd at Camino School, at 9:00 am. Members who wish to participate can sign up with Jim. We will be interacting students with an e-waste program. The students are not allowed to handle the e-waste.

High School Scholarships: Christa noted that we had received a number of excellent applications. Currently the club gives three scholarships of \$750.00. Kevin, who had been part of the evaluation process, noted that a fourth applicant had a sterling application, and only failed to make the cut because of our number of three awards. She would be the first in her family to ever attend college. He and other evaluators were impressed with her life plan mapping. Motion by Fuzzy to add a fourth scholarship this year only, seconded by Jim, passed by unanimous voice vote.

Club membership in Chamber of Commerce: Christa reminded us that our club is a member of the El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce, which allows club members to attend chamber functions. She attended their monthly meeting yesterday where a presentation was made about the Tuskegee Airmen. She thought it was an excellent presentation that all of us would have enjoyed.

Camino Interact: The Camino School Interact Club has involved in a bicycle program, where bicycles were picked by Waste Management Company, taken to be repaired by inmates at Folsom State Prison, and further rehabilitated by students in the Interact club. Ten bikes were in this program. Club members noted the extremely thankful way that the bikes were received by their recipients, and thought the program was very worthwhile.

Cub Scout Camp Scholarships: Jim has spoken to Mark Copple about this. Mark is wondering if our club can support sending a couple of cub scouts who come from families that cannot afford the camp.

Independence Day Parade: Dave brought in a prototype sample of what he would like to make to replace the wooden signs we have used for years to mark side streets during our 4th of July parade. The sample, made of PVC pipe, included a paper sample of what could be a banner that vendors could buy to advertise their businesses or events. Cost estimate is \$70 per sign. Kevin

motion, Ken second to commit the funds needed to produce 10 signs, passed unanimously on voice vote. Jim asked Dave for a list of materials requirements and will see if Home Depot will donate the materials.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 am

Respectfully submitted:

Kenneth Harper, Secretary