



# Munchkin' Land PWR News



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## Holiday Meeting Giving Opportunity

Every year we come together for our last meeting of the year with our Holiday Extravaganza meeting. We celebrate the Holiday Season with song (the 12 Days of Christmas) and good cheer. We also take a moment to reflect on how fortunate we are to have family, friends, and our own financial security. It is a time to rejoice in what we have and to reflect on those who are less fortunate than us. Through the GRC our Club works hard to focus and direct the dollars that we have amassed in the Club Foundation toward causes that make a real difference in the lives of those very needy families in our community.

On December 17, at this final meeting of the year, we will be asking our members to donate to help us support those in need. You will have the opportunity to donate to the PWR Club Foundation in two ways. You can donate to the Club Foundation increasing the corpus now at \$1.6 million, or you can donate directly to the Grant Review Committee so that the Club Foundation funds can be used immediately for grants this term. The GRC started this year with a budget of \$83,100 and we are down to less than \$10,000 available to fund grants for the remainder of Mary Lyn's term. So far this term the GRC has awarded \$76,590 in grants funding local Title 1 schools, educational enrichment programs, food insecurity programs, foster child programs, refugee assimilation programs and other important programs for the needy. With a dwindling GRC budget it would be fantastic to receive additional funds from our generous PWR members' Christmas Meeting donations so that the GRC can continue to fund community grants through the end of Mary Lyn's term!

## Point West Rotary Meeting Recap

Today's Live/hybrid meeting at DPCC.

- **Tom Cicchini** leads the pledge reminding us that it was written by a Buddhist monk and the proper recitation.
- **Lee Holmes** leads our song.
- **Jim Hare** leads the Four Way Test.
- **PP Russ Fuji** has our thought for the day, recounting double Nobel winner Linus Pauling.
- Board elections were held with **Russ Fuji** Presiding.
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing is 12/17. **Mike Bede** looks for alternates..
- **Todd Murray** wants more Chicken Chuckers for 12/22.
- Save the date for the PWR Chili Cookoff 1/29/22. **Lee Holmes** home is the place.
- Partners in Leadership is scheduled 1/21/22.
- **Jesse Nix** thanks his Brew-fest team.
- Bell Ringers—**Mike Bede, Ann Osborne and Jesse Nix.**
- **Mike Garcia** introduces **Amy Gregory** from SJUSD and **Sean Latour** from Project Lifelong showing how our GRC donations are impacting the lives of the area's youth.
- Happy bucks **Chris Taylor** \$500, **Randy Burton** \$100 and **Mary Lyn** \$50 all for the GRC.

## New PWR 2022-23 Board Members

The newly elected PWR Board members for the 2022-24 years are: **Dominic Porrino, Bob Berger, Greg Garcia, and Paul Friedrich.**

**Roger Gilleland** is confirmed as President-Elect-Elect.

Congratulations to the new members and we appreciate everyone who threw their hat into the ring to run.

## Holiday Spirit On December 17

Aside from our opportunities to give at our holiday meeting, further chances to do good in the community are occurring that day. The Point West Rotary and Del Paso Country Club Blood Drive will be during our meeting. The bloodmobile will be in the DPCC parking lot from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Roll up those sleeves and donate. We need to catch up to the other Rotary clubs and rebuild our reputation. Later, in the afternoon, Point West Rotarians will be at Arden Fair mall in front of Macy's ringing the bell for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettles. The shifts are now full. Thank you.

### PWR Events

12/17/2021 – Blood Drive. DPCC.

12/17/2021 – Salvation Army Bell Ringing. ARDEN FAIR MALL

12/22/2021 – Chicken Chucking.

### KEY DATES

Dec 17 – In person Holiday Meeting, "PRICE IS RIGHT"

Dec 24 and Dec 31—DARK

See PWR Home Page for further details on events.

