Orange Peel

Rotary Club of Orangevale District 5180 April 7, 2022 Meeting

Welcome on Zoom

--Sue Frost

Welcome --Suzanne, Julie O'Connor, Joe Duran

Announcements

--*Prez. Dennis* shared that 44 families were helped at the Orangevale Food Bank last Friday and 4 were new sign ups. Thank you to all who worked. It's rewarding and fun!

--Board Meeting on April 25 at 6pm at the Chamber

--A Thank you was received from Ottomon for our support of classroom grants. Pictures were shared of kids enjoying the new comfortable furniture in the Library.

--Don R. said that the wine wall is growing. Only a few members have not brought in their wine. Also, April 21 is the next dine around....where to...so many choices. Let Don know yours!

--Mia our former exchange student from Ukraine, was on zoom to keep us updated on her safety. Please keep all in your prayers and thoughts.

--*Ann* shared that two young men have been accepted at our RYLA campers for this summer. Thanks to *Bob and Patty* for assisting on the interview process.

--Joni is asking for volunteers for the BBQ drive through....She's made her list and checking it twice.

--*Russ* shared that the 50-50 is a no go per state regulations. Bummer....Friday is your last day to get your tickets in!!! Yes that date is set in stone!

<u>Prospector</u> – *Catrina* may have a radiant smile...but she was looking for money from Rotarians! No wine...\$\$, Pin and Badge check...\$\$, Russ and Lorie got fined a second time for vacationing.....Happy Fines filled out the time.

Guest Speaker

Suzanne Gostovich was our speaker. Growing Past Today is a non-profit supporting unhoused kids. She focused on service and reminded us what she tells the kids....you did not create this problem, parents did. Many of us were blessed to have parents, grandparents and aunts and uncles who nurtured us along the way. Sadly, too many of these kids do not have that. She brings food from the Orangevale Food Bank twice a month to 40 families. These families are often unhoused and/or couch surfing. Extra food is supplied to an after school program, run by Julie O'Connor, that helps nurture kids who need additional educational support. She asked if anyone has books, especially GED books. (If you do, bring them to the meeting and Lorie will get them to Suzanne.) They also do activities...movie, bowling, skating and holiday parties. Finally, she asked for one thing that is definitely needed...tampons (the plastic kind). It is something desperately needed! So, I'm asking each lady in the club to pick up a box and get it to me (Lorie). Men, if you're not comfortable buying these but want to help, I'll shop for you! We all know education is the key to getting out of poverty and this lady goes above and beyond. An excellent speaker and community activist.

<u>Raffle</u>

With 6 balls and \$?? in the pot, *Dianna* found the...white one.

Upcoming Speakers for April

--April 15 – Mark Aring – Orangevale History Project
--April 22 –Casa Roble FFA
--April 29 -- Dark

<u>Jobs for Next Week</u> Greeters – *Cindy &* Invocator – *Lorie* Vocational – *Cindy Hill Morris* Raffle Ticket Seller – *Dianna* (be there at 6:30am)

Thought for today...

"There is a rare breed of people who go all in. They keep their word. They give it their all. They put themselves last for those they care about. These individuals rarely receive the same compassion and effort in return yet continue to give freely. To the givers, forgivers and selfless lovers out there... Keep pushing forward. Don't let this cold world change who you are." – Unknown

Pictures following thanks to Bob K.

