



ACTIVE Y'VES FRESNO CENTRAL Y'S MENETTES

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“Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord.

Psalm 117:1-2

MARCH MEETING – POTATO BAR



Let's all be Irish for one day and celebrate with a potato bar. Our meeting will be at 11:30 a.m., TUESDAY, MARCH 16th at the home of Louise Coleman (3453 E. Joyce Drive, 485-4947). Check the list to see what you signed up to bring. Let's celebrate that we have made it through one year of covid.

Sour cream – Jan

Green onions -Nadine

Bacon bits – Marilyn

Butter - Connie

Chili – Felicia

Cheese - Karen

AN IRISH BLESSING

May the sun always shine on your window pane.

May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain.

May the hand of a friend always be near you.

May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

COMMENTS FROM PRESIDENT CONNIE

I am encouraging our members to get an appointment for the vaccine. It doesn't matter which vaccine that you sign up for- just important to get the vaccine. Remember when we were young and it was so very important to be immunized against all those nasty illnesses. Get smart girls get immunized. (Ed. Comment) If you can't find an appointment, check with CVS, Rite-Aid or Walgreens pharmacies, many of them are doing vaccinations.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2021-22

The following slate of officers have been nominated for 2021-2022.

PRESIDENT- Karen Johnson
SECRETARY- Felicia Kellenberger

VICE PRESIDENT- Nadine Hickle
TREASURER – Louise Coleman

TIME OF FAST

Normally we would have a soup dinner with the Y's Men to raise funds for Time of Fast. Due to the covid restrictions we are not able to do that. If you would like to donate to Time of Fast, please bring cash or a check made out to Y SERVICE CLUB INTERNATIONAL to the meeting. Karen Johnson will collect them and send them to the Time of Fast director.

FUTURE DATES

March 16 – Potato Bar meeting 11:30 a.m.

April 21 – club meeting DATE CHANGE visit to Shinzen Friendship Garden

September 17-19 – Regional convention in Fresno

August 11-14, 2022 – International convention in Hawaii



DID YOU KNOW??

On March 17th, St Patrick's Day, everyone is Irish, and corned beef and cabbage is on all the menus. If you have ever looked at the Irish flag it is not only green but also white and orange. Do you know why? In 1690, William of Orange, the King of England, a Protestant, defeated King James II, a Catholic in the Battle of the Boyne and they came to a truce. If you are Catholic you should wear green, but if you are Protestant you should wear orange on St. Patrick's Day. The Flag of Ireland is green, white and orange. The green represents the Catholics, the orange represents the Protestants and the white in the center signifies the truce between the two Kings.

WE ARE SURVIVORS

One year ago this month, the world was changed overnight due to a virus called Covid 19. Everyone was asked to stay home, schools closed and many jobs were done from home. Many people panicked and suddenly the grocery store shelves were empty of toilet paper, paper towels and any type of cleaning supplies. After a few months, things opened up and store shelves were stocked, beauty salons and barber shops opened and we were no longer shaggy. Things seemed to get a little better in the summer but movie theaters, water parks and other entertainment places were still closed. Sadly as we ended 2020, our schools were still closed and all learning was done online. Many of the wonderful holiday celebrations were cancelled and we celebrated with family and friends on zoom.

We are now in a new year. Our schools are starting to slowly open up for in class instruction, many more businesses are reopening and we are now able to get vaccinated for the virus. While life is looking better, I am sure there have been times when all of us were missing being around family and friends, shaking a hand or giving a hug. Sadly, during this time many wonderful people left our lives. We need to remember them and their families in our prayers. Pray for the leaders of our country, that they can somehow figure out how to work for the better of the country and not for just themselves. Pray for the world, and our sister clubs in Canada and Australia. Celebrate the fact that you are a survivor. When life tried to get you down, you hung in there and made it through!!