

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

February 18, 2016

Guests- Lt. Gov. Brian Atwell and Clint Weirick of the Arroyo Grande Valley Club were the Kiwanian visitors. Bart Topham brought his wife Denise and Henry Rible brought an old friend Steve Carlstrom who is a Fresno Rotarian.

Distinguished Service Award- Doc Steele and Brian Atwell presented this annual District Foundation award to Diana Meyer in recognition of her service to Kiwanis in the past year. Diana was instrumental in starting the SLOHS Key Club, nominating and interviewing students for the Key Leader Camp, getting donations for the Crab Feed fund raiser, and being the interclub chairperson.

Governor's Visit (2/13) - We had 4 members representing our club for the visit of Governor Cherise Gilliam of the CalNevHa District. At a luncheon at the Madonna Inn attended by about 300 members of the Kiwanis Family from SLO and northern Santa Barbara counties, she discussed the Formula for the Future. This would involve having counselors for each club (Roger Jump will be ours), using social media more frequently, getting public relations training through Kiwanis International, wearing special Kiwanis Family T-shirts at our activities, and considering alternative club structures which would require less meeting time and lower meal expenses.

Crab Feed (3/12) - Ticket sales and auction donations are going along fairly well. We still need to nail down some student help for the heavy lifting. Contact James Shammas or Diana Meyer if you can help out.

Soap Box- Hilding Larson gave an autobiographical sketch starting with his birth in southern California and being raised in Washington State. He received a civil engineering degree from the Univ. of Washington and helped his father Hal (a Kiwanis past-president) start San Luis Paper Co. in 1970. He later started Matrix Mobile Television about 25 years ago and has done the audiovisual work for many Kiwanis Family conventions over the years. He has been a Lt. Governor and is active in the Past Division Officers organization.

Joke- Diana Meyer got off to a slow start but redeemed herself with a Depends joke.

Interclub- Sabrina Harper, James Shammas, and Hilding Larson visited the Bay Osos Club on Wednesday, Feb.18th, but came away without the bell or gavel.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Bart Topham did the honors. Secret Greeter Bob Kitamura was befriended by everybody. He put in a buck for this and was hit for another for talking during the business meeting. Milt Batson had sad bucks for the death of a grandson in a motorcycle accident. Rich Carsel paid for a poor introduction, Bart's B-D and his own B-D, a trip to Las Vegas, and that the California Primary isn't until June. Bart matched the B-D gift. Jim Longabaugh was nabbed for a poor intro. Doc Steele's DSA

presentation was criticized. Kevin Hauber's daughter got a job offer. Brian Atwell gave for the Governor's visit. Gary Simas noted that his grandparents and Denise Topham's came from the same island in the Azores. Sabrina Harper's friend joined the Bay Osos Club.

Program- Sharon Rippner was a last minute substitute for Heidi Harmon. She talked about climate change being a threat to the global economy. She enlightened us on what cities such as Lancaster, Ca. are doing to meet a net zero energy goal. Sharon is in favor of a wind farm being considered for off shore Morro Bay. She is an advocate for carbon-fee and dividend legislation.

Drawings-	\$10- Doc Steele	\$20- Henry Rible
	Flag- Sabrina Harper	Soap Box- Gary Simas
	Song- Jim Frye	Joke- Diana Meyer
	Inspiration- Bob Alderman	Fine Free- Jim Nielsen

Membership (\$67.50) - Roger Jump picked the 8 of diamonds.

Next Program- CHP helicopters