

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

September 8, 2016

There were no guests other than our program speakers.

Diana and Roger Jump are also meeting with an advisor at the junior high to possibly start a Builder's Club. Airport Day is scheduled for Oct. 15th and volunteers are needed for the various shifts. Hilding Larson has been in contact with KI to possibly start a millennials club in SLO. A DCM is scheduled in Paso Robles on 9/15 to retire Lt. Gov. Brian Atwell and induct Albert Almodova. Our club is invited to attend a family gathering sponsored by the PM Club on 9/18 at Greengate Ranch.

Feed The Homeless (9/4)- We fed about 80 people including 5 children. Thanks to all who donated and served.

Joke- Leslie Cone scored with a George W. Bush-Moses joke.

Soap Box- Bob Kitamura wondered about the origins of the San Luis Obispo Handicap run at Santa Anita Racetrack from 1968-2011.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas was the tail twister. Rich Carsel gave for being late and the publicity given to Colin Kaepernick. Roger Jump paid for trying to get the fine master to fine the fine free person, being happy about the youth clubs, and being excited about a new singing gig with Ralph Battles and the start of the pro football season. Hilding Larson enjoyed the Pismo club's football BBQ. James Shammas was happy about football season but sad about USC being trounced by Alabama. Milt Batson is having tractor problems again and missed the board meeting. Bob Kitamura missed the board meeting and will be away next week.

Merger- A special meeting was held by the leadership of both clubs to discuss merging the rosters, financial matters, and doing the paperwork for KI in order to get the clubs merger by Sept. 30th. Also discussed was the mutual help needed for each club's big fundraisers (Crab Feed and Tri-Tip Drive Thru) and possibly having a satellite evening club. We will have a club membership meeting and a formal vote to merge with the night time club as required by KI. This is your two week notice, we will vote on Thurs 9/22.

Program- Our speakers were Felipe Gonzalez and Arya Jones of the Dept. of Social Services Foster Care Support Unit. There are about 350 children in SLO County in foster care homes. Most are there because of neglect and abuse due to drug use on the part of their parents. About 30% are placed with relatives and friends but the rest have to be placed with unrelated foster families. The average placement is for 2 years. There is a great need for resource family homes. Requirements to become a foster family include attending 27 hours of classes and passing a home inspection and criminal background check.

Drawings-	\$5- Stew Jenkins	\$20- Rich Carsel
	Flag- Doc Steele	Fine Free- Leslie Cone
	Song- Milt Batson	Soap Box- Henry Rible
	Inspiration- Gary Simas	Joke- Bob Alderman

Membership (\$140)- Henry Rible picked the 9 of diamonds.

Next Program- Mike Clark, SLO City Council Candidate