

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

Nov. 10, 2016

Prez Hilding returned from his 2-week sojourn. Mike Johnson and Mel DeLaMotte of the former evening club made their first visit to the nooners.

Crab Feed (2/18/17)- This committee met and discussed sponsorships, auction items, and the serving of pasta in addition to the crab, bread, salad, and desserts. If you know any company or organization that might be willing to be a sponsor, contact James Shammass.

Youth Activities- Bob Kitamura reported that the Cal Poly Circle K Club had 2 meetings with attendance varying between 7 and 15 prospective members, and conducted a food drive. We received a thank you from the Laguna Leadership Class for the BBQ we conducted for them.

DCM (11/16)- This was held in Atascadero and the importance of designating Distinguished Service Awards was mentioned. A DCM, which we will co-sponsor with the AM club will be held in March (exact date and location to be determined).

District 10 Meeting (11/12)- A new trustee was elected for the 3-year term starting in 2017. Seminars on club goals were also conducted.

Soap Box- Mel DeLaMotte gave a brief introduction of himself. He retired as an attorney in 2001 and has since been a financial planner. He is married and has 4 grown children.

Joke- Doc Steele got thumbs up for a Mafia joke.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas did the honors. Secret Greeter Lyn Cooper would not rat out the 2 people who didn't shake his hand so he was fined appropriately. Bob Kitamura and Kevin Hauber were late, with Kevin missing his job to lead the flag salute. Roger Jump got hit for whining and hoping that all the new members would dilute out his future chances of getting fined. Milt Batson paid for a brochure about his daughter's former vet school (UC Davis). Mike Murphy and Henry Rible gave up the money they saved when a poker game was canceled. Rich Carsel was happy brother John will be back in the new year since the family court is being returned from Paso to SLO. Stew Jenkins said his daughter has had good experiences working with Grizzly Academy graduates (see below).

Program- Our speaker was Lt.Col. Tim Vincent, the director of the Grizzly Academy. This is a program that has been in SLO for 18 years which takes at-risk youths, who have had trouble with school, drugs, or school, and teaches them discipline and vocational skills. There are 225 cadets in each 22 week program, spending their days in studies, exercise, and vocational training. It is entirely voluntary, and has a 90% graduation rate. The Academy also provides thousands of hours of service to the community. Studies have shown it returns greater than \$3

per \$1 spent and results in decreased rates of incarceration and pregnancy and increased rates of employment.

Drawings-

\$10- Roger Jump

\$33- Gary Simas

Flag- Shane Kramer

Fine Free- Larry Meek

Song- Hilding Larson

Joke- Vince Fonte

Inspiration- Mike Johnson

Soap Box- Ben McAdams

Membership (\$55.00)- Henry Rible picked the 9 of diamonds.

Next Program- TBA

Progressive Dinner (12/18)- Appetizers at Larry Meek's; salad at Hilding Larson's; entrée at Lynn Cooper's; dessert at Ben McAdams'. Times and details to follow.