

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

Dec. 8, 2016

Guests- Dean Tyler of Toys for Tots was our only guest other than our program speaker.

Curb Painting (11/19)- Hilding Larsen, Jim Irwin, Bill Fieldhouse, and Doc Steele painted the curbs on Carmel St. from Marsh to Higuera. This will be the last painting until the late Spring.

Feed The Homeless (12/4)- We fed about 80 people. Thanks to all who donated and served.

Board Meeting (12/6)- The 2016-17 budget was approved. The Crab feed (2/18) was discussed. Upper Crust will be a sponsor and is donating the pasta. Donation items for the silent and live auctions are needed. Contact Roger Jump or Diana Meyer if you can help with these.

See's Candy- We raised about \$300 from this fund raiser. Thanks to Bob Kitamura and Doc Steele for their efforts.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing (12/17)- We will have stations at Best Buy, Beverly's Fabrics, and Ralph's. There are still a few holes in the schedule. Contact Hilding Larson if you can help.

Community Garden- This has finally been permitted after over a year. Workdays are planned for March 18th as well as days in April and May.

Joke- Stew Jenkins thought the song "Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer" was funny.

Soap Box- John Durant, a Kiwanian since 1998, was born in Santa Monica and played football for Cal Poly. He served in the Marines and Marine Corps Reserve for 32 years, seeing action in Viet Nam. He taught, and coached football at SLOHS.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas returned in top form. He gave for forgetting George Petty's name in order to fine George for his cell phone ringing. Hilding Larson was hit for not nabbing anybody as Secret Greeter and not mentioning that Gary was an excused absence from the board meeting. Stew Jenkins paid for not leading his joke song well. Doc Steele gave for a trip to Yosemite and Hilding doing the bulletin last week. Milt Batson gave again for his upcoming 22nd grandchild. Larry Meek donated for Paul Wissler's hip replacement and getting a membership badge. \$2 was extracted from each former member of the evening club who received a new badge.

Progressive Dinner (12/18)- This is not a meal for those with a liberal political bent. It is a chance for our members and their guests to get better acquainted on a social (not socialist) basis. Appetizers will be at Larry Meek's house starting at 5pm. Salad and entrée will be at Hilding Larson's at 6 and dessert at Ben McAdams after about 7:30. Driving directions will be forwarded under separate cover.

Program- Our speaker was Gary Gray, current trustee for CalNevHa Region 10. He spoke about the Kiwanis “Formula for the Future.” It entails strategic planning, membership surveys, community needs surveys, and defining the purpose of the club’s existence. He emphasized giving new members jobs when they join so they can learn leadership and become prospective officers. He passed out a survey of the members present to evaluate what they feel about the pros and cons of the club, and will return in January to give us the results. He also mentioned holding a retreat to discuss the club’s needs and possible solutions.

Drawings-

\$10- Ben McAdams

\$30- James Shammas

Flag- Dick Riggins

Soap Box- Bob Alderman

Song- Rich Carsel

Joke- Bill Fieldhouse

Inspiration- Mike Murphy

Fine Free- Roger Jump

Membership (\$60)- Hilding Larson picked the 8 of hearts.

Next Program- Camp Roberts Commander