## KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

Feb. 23, 2017

**Guests**- Milt Batson brought his wife Pam. Soon to be inducted as a new member, Ryan Sedley came for the 4<sup>th</sup> time.

**Distinguished Service Award-** Milt Batson was awarded a DSA at the Governor's visit on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. He was nominated by our club for his work as Club Secretary for over 20 years as well as his community service with the Scouts and multiple veterans' groups.

**Crab Feed (2/18)**- We grossed over 23K and will net in the range of 14K when all expenses are paid. Thanks to all who participated in the event.

**Jokes-** George Petty scored with some military service axioms. Doc Steele did also with a politically correct blonde male joke. Milt Batson was not so lucky with a sea gull one.

**Soap Box-** Larry Meek recognized Bill Fieldhouse and Lynn Cooper for travelling to Las Vegas this weekend to do a fund-raising BBQ.

**Fines & Happy Bucks**- Gary Simas did the honors. Milt Batson paid for his DSA and his jokes. Rich Carsel left early. Mike Murphy gave for an insult, being proud about the people he brought to the crab feed who bought multiple auction items, and made an appeal for the YMCA. Hilding Larsen was hit for not calling for the Soap Box last week. Larry Meek pled poverty. Bart Topham missed the crab feed for a trip to Yosemite. James Shammas is happy the crab feed is over with. Tom Tolbert and Dick Riggins were also happy about the crab feed.

Program- Our speaker was Anne Wyatt, representing the Homeless Services Oversight Council and the program coordinator for HomeShareSLO. Currently there are about 1500 homeless in SLO County with few available housing units, most of which are at high cost. The demographic is changing in that there are more singles, less families, and more non-drivers. Possible solutions to the problem are use of vacant units (such as 2<sup>nd</sup> homes), home sharing, repurposing commercial structures, using motels in the off season, more multifamily housing, granny units, and more mobile and manufactured homes.

**Drawings-** \$10- Larry Meek \$35- James Shammas

Flag- George Petty Fine Free- Doc Steele

Song- Jim Irwin Soap Box- David Volk

Inspiration- Ben McAdams Joke- Roger Jump

Membership (\$87.50)- George petty picked the spade Queen.

**Next Program**- Bob Shanbrom on the "We Belong" program at SLOHS.

**Upcoming Dates-** 3/7-Board meeting

3/8- DCM at Nazarene Church at 6pm.

3/11- Club Retreat at 10am at Hilding's house

3/18- Community Garden workday.

5/19- Drive-Thru BBQ