

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

May 11, 2017

Prez Hilding distributed our new Kiwanis caps to those who ordered them. If you need a new apron, please contact Hilding.

Annual Election- Even though we are several miles from the tracks, we could still here the sound of the railroad. Hilding Larson and Doc Steele will still do their Odd Couple (or is it Mutt & Jeff?) impersonation. Bob Kitamura remains V-P. Milt Batson stays on as Secretary and Henry Rible will continue as Treasurer until a replacement can be found. Board members are Gary Simas, Bob Alderman, Mike Murphy, Bart Topham, Diana Meyer, Jim Nielsen, and George Petty. Henry Rible volunteered to become interclub chairperson when his treasurer replacement is found.

Scholarship Committee- Led by Dick Riggins and consisting of members Diana Meyer, Doc Steele, Henry Rible and George Petty, we award 5 \$1000 scholarships to SLOHS seniors. Three of them will continue their studies at Cal Poly, one at UCSB, and one at San Francisco State. Another scholarship, worth \$2500, was awarded through the Community Foundation.

Feed The Homeless (5/7)- We fed 77 people including six children. Thanks to all who donated or served.

Drive-Thru BBQ (5/19)- We have sold or had outstanding 390 tickets as of 5/8. Please keep selling.

DCM (5/10)- This was held in Paso Robles. The Templeton club needs help with the annual July 4th parade.

Joke- Diana Meyer scored with a childbirth joke.

Soap Box- Bart Topham deferred to Stew Jenkins who reciprocated by telling a story about a stakeout of Bart at a men's room.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas presided with an updated birthday and anniversary list provided by Bob Kitamura. Stew Jenkins paid for being late and having an illegal rooster. Bart Topham gave for not having a Soap Box. Ralph Battles and Bob Kitamura were also late. Hilding Larson donated for losing the bell, his 16th wedding anniversary, and an upcoming 2-week trip. Mike Johnson and Dale Winslow gave for their birthdays. Ben McAdams forgot about Feed The Homeless. Mike Murphy donated for Hilding losing the bell. Dick Riggins was glad about his scholarship committee work being finished. Bob Alderman was happy to be back after an illness. Milt Batson feels proud about the service our club does when he fills out the monthly report to KI. Kevin Hauber and Stew Jenkins paid for leaving early.

Program- Our speaker was Mary Thielscher, the regional director for Get on The Bus. This is a group of volunteers which has been existence in California since 1998 whose purpose is to reunite children with their incarcerated parents. It has been active at CMC since 2006. The children come from all over the state to spend 4 hours of time with their fathers, talking, doing crafts, or playing games in a relaxed atmosphere. The children are provided with a free bus ride, lunch and dinner, photos, pen and stationery, and a teddy bear. The program helps relieve the guilt of the children of having an incarcerated parent, and helps the parent connect with their family. It has been shown to decrease the recidivism rate. Currently 11 prisons in California participate in the program. Nine busloads of children will be coming to CMC on 5/20.

Drawings-	\$10- Dale Winslow	\$33- Mary Thielscher
	Flag- Ryan Sedley	Fine Free- Jim Nielsen
	Song- Stew Jenkins	Joke- Milt Batson
	Inspiration- James Shammass	Soap Box- Mike Johnson

Membership (\$115.00)- Dick Riggins picked the heart two.

Next Program- Pack 31 Cub Scouts (we sponsor).

Upcoming Dates-

5/19- Drive-Thru BBQ

5/21- Community Garden work day. Starts at 8:30am. Food and drink provided.

5/27- 24 hr. Relay BBQ at SLOHS.

6/2- Food Bank Solicitation at Marigold Center.

6/6- Board Meeting.