

KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

May 16, 2019

Doc Steele ran the meeting as Prez Hilding was in Santa Barbara.

Guests- Ralph Slocum bought accountant Bob Crosby and Doc brought retired municipal administrator Gene Waddell. Circle K was represented by President Sabrina and Past Lt. Gov. Nicholas.

Drive-thru BBQ (5/31)- We have sold close to 300 tickets toward our goal of 400. A prep afternoon has been scheduled at the Legion Hall for after our meeting on 5/30.

Hunger Awareness Day (6/7)- Contact Milt Batson if you can help out for a 2-hour shift at Von's at Marigold for this fundraiser for the SLO County Food Bank.

Circle K- The pot luck has been postponed until the Fall.

Key Club- The end-of-year party is being arranged.

College Scholarships- Dick Riggins, Bill Fieldhouse, and Doc Steele interviewed the winners from SLOHS. Two will be attending UC Berkeley, and one each at Cal Poly SLO, Cornell, and the Univ. of Pennsylvania.

Soap Box- Bart Topham made a pitch for someone to volunteer to take a leadership course for Toys 4 Tots in Washington, D.C. from Sept. 9-12. All expenses are paid and most of the toy collection work will be done by the Salvation Army.

Joke- Henry Rible told "not exactly a joke" of stock market nostrums.

Memorial Day Jam (5/27)- We help sponsor this benefit concert for disabled veterans held at the Avila Beach venue. General Admission tickets and fees are usually \$23. We will be auctioning off 4 tickets next meeting.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas did the honors. Doc Steele paid for not being able to read his own handwriting while doing the opening ceremonies. Bart Topham gave a sad buck for that and a happy one for a rescheduled bridge game. Bob Alderman broke a coffee pot. Rich Carsel donated for squealing on Bob, visiting Mike Murphy in Mexico, and having to put his 16-year-old dog down. Diana Meyer paid for a poor intro. Roger Jump was hit for his phone ringing but was happy about having developed a new set of singing presentations with Ralph Battles. Henry Rible paid "not exactly a fine". Ralph Slocum was happy about his recent trip to New Zealand. Bob Kitamura will be going to Hawaii.

Program- Aliah Meza, aided by Kyle Sweasey, gave a talk about The Marine Mammal Center, whose SLO Operations Center is located in Morro Bay. Along with about 100 volunteers, they

rescue 100-430 animals per year in an area from SLO to the Mendocino Coast. Mammals such as sea lions, dolphins, harbor seals, elephant seals, and sea otters are triaged locally, and then shipped to the main hospital in Sausalito if necessary. Common illnesses include malnutrition, infectious disease, cancer, dehydration, and complications from ocean trash. Volunteers are always needed.

Drawings- \$10- Bob Kitamura	\$38- Gene Waddell (donated back to club)
Flag- Roger Jump	Fine Free- Bart Topham
Song- Ralph Battles	Joke- Henry Rible
Inspiration- Bill Fieldhouse	Soap Box- Diana Meyer

Membership (\$52.50)- Ralph Slocum picked the spade 6.

Next Program- John Durant on 40 Prado.

Upcoming Dates-

5/31- Drive-thru BBQ.

6/2- Feed the Homeless.

6/4- Board Meeting.

6/7- Hunger Awareness Day.