

KIWANIS NEWSLETER

Dec. 12, 2019

Prez Kit returned after a 2-week absence. He reminded us what happened on this date in the past- Washington D.C. was named the capital, the Motel Inn was opened, Frank Sinatra was born, and Mexico was recognized as an independent nation. The only guest was our program speaker.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing (12/14)- Thanks to all who volunteered. Please remember to wear your Kiwanis apron and hat and jacket if you have one.

Progressive Dinner (12/15)- This will start at 4:30pm with appetizers at Ralph Slocum's house. It will then move to Hilding Larson's for salad by Lynn Cooper and Bill Fieldhouse and dinner by Hilding and his wife. Dessert by Jim Irwin and Doc Steele will be at Doc Steele's. Driving directions have been sent out under separate cover.

Key Club- There were 14 students at this week's meeting. Some will be joining us at the bell ringing and our meeting on Jan. 2nd.

Soap Box- Ben McAdams needs money for the Repertory Theatre.

Joke- Jim Irwin scored with an encyclopedic wife joke.

Fines & Happy Bucks- Gary Simas did the honors. He hit Hilding Larson for erroring the date of the Progressive dinner. Ben McAdams paid for not throwing Prez Kit under the bus. Gary, Kit, and John Durant were happy about the new Cal Poly football coach. Rich Carsel has Rose Ball tickets and happily reminisced about the time he broke his foot on the steering wheel. Doc Steele, Lynn Cooper, and James Shammass were fined on principle.

Program- Our speaker was Asit Rairkar who has a PhD. in Materials Science and Engineering and has worked for Apple in Battery Engineering. He told us the first electric cars were produced in the late 1800's but lost out due to the development of the internal combustion engine. EV's had a resurgence in the late 1990's and currently have about 2% of the vehicle market. Their 43 models encompass sedans, pickups, SUV's, delivery vans, and semis. They are about 50% greener than internal combustion cars when measured from cradle to grave. Their main challenges are developing a charging station infrastructure and a shorter charging time. The price of battery units is going down, but batteries are getting bigger to increase driving range.

Drawings- \$10- John Durant

\$30- Prez Kit

Flag- Ben McAdams

Fine Free- Henry Rible

Song- Gary Simas

Soap Box- Hilding Larson

Inspiration- Bob Alderman

Joke- Bart Topham

Membership (\$122.50)- Kevin Hauber picked the spade 8.

Next Program- First Five of California.

Upcoming Dates-

12/14- Salvation Army Bell Ringing.

12/15- Progressive Dinner.

12/26- No club meeting.

1/2- Regular club meeting.

1/5- Feed the Homeless.

1/7- Board meeting.

4/18- Crab Feed.