ROTARY CLUB of HEALDSBURG SUNRISE TAYMAN PARK MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Wednesday, 24 August 2016

ATTENDANCE: 30/45 66.7%

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

New member, Matthew Machi, performed his first official function as a new Rotarian by leading the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Well done!

INSPIRATION:

Pam Moulton offered the following:

GROUP SINGING:

To further increase the excitement about our forthcoming trip to the Giants/Diamondbacks baseball game next Wednesday, the group hit a home run by Belt..ing out t a wonderful version of *Take Me Out To The Ballgame*.

RECOGNITIONS:

Pres. Brad was unable to find anything to be recognized this week, but... Just wait until next week!

HAPPY \$:

Brad Benson had two events that brought great joy to his life. His first grandchild was born yesterday, Franklin , weighing 9 lbs. 3 oz. and measuring 21 1/2 inches in length. Mother and baby are doing well and will come home later this afternoon. The second reason for joy was the remarkable recovery of his nephew, injured over a year ago in a skateboarding accident. He is now walking and has some residual left-sided weakness that needs continuous work. His speech has become very comprehensible and he no longer needs a health aide to be with him around the clock.

Jerry Anderson is happy to report that the winning team for Duck Dash ticket sales in 2014 has finally received their meal, prepared and sponsored by the losing team. Will Seppi was happy to make a donation of \$1 for the *pheasant that tasted like chicken at the dinner*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. On **Saturday, 9/2/16** at 10:30 AM there will be **a graveside service for Dan**

Erickson's father at Oakmound Cemetery in Healdsburg. This will be followed by a Memorial celebration at Georgi Park at 11 o'clock.

- 2. **Steve Solomon,** Rotary international Senior Annual Giving Officer will be in the Bay Area in March, 2017. Members are encouraged to try to attend one of the presentations that he will be making. Further details will be forthcoming.
- 3. On **September 24**, there are two **Rotary training sessions** that will be held at Sally Tomatoes in Rohnert Park. From 8:00 to 11:30 will be a meeting for **Membership Training**, and from 12:30-4:00 there will be training for **Rotary Foundation**. Members of our club committees are encouraged to attend.
- 4. The **Rotary Institute for Leadership** program in Santa Rosa to be held on 9/16-17, is closed to further applicants. Unfortunately, the Healdsburg club had no representatives at this function. Maybe next year we could anticipate sending one or two members.
- 5. **Nancy Palombo** reported on a recent **outing with youth exchange students** to Willow Creek and Leggett. 44 kids were involved and all had a good time.
- 6. The **Choices** program will be held at Healdsburg Junior High on **September 29 and 30.** 14 club members are needed to work as two-person teams each team will be responsible for presenting a one hour program on two successive days. The program is well scripted and is a wonderful opportunity to meet with and influence the future development of the students who will ultimately be in charge of our country. All members who have participated in the past feel that this is a very worthwhile activity. A sign-up sheet was circulated. **Lance Cottrell** may be contacted if you did not have an opportunity to sign up, or if you want additional information on the program.
- 7. The Board of Directors has approved a new project For **Saturday, October 15**. This is a **golf tournament** to raise money for the Drew Esquivel Memorial Scholarship Fund. A committee has been formed to help with organizational details. **There will be a meeting on Thursday, 26 August, at the home of Terry Tremblay starting at 5 PM.** There will also be a need for club members to volunteer the day of the event.
- 8. Pam Moulton is organizing a club presence at the **Tuesday night Plaza concert featuring Charlie Musselwhite next Tuesday, 30 August 2016**. Space will be secured by Pam and members are encouraged to bring beverages, food and chairs to **enjoy the concert with our new exchange student, Emma Nissen**, from Denmark. There will be a banner indicating Rotary's presence and hopefully members will be able to find that.
- 9. Shaun Shields once again reminded members to contribute to **Change for Change**, our contribution to the Rotary International Foundation's effort to eradicate polio.
- 10. Our annual **Veterans Breakfast will be held on Friday, 11 November** rather than on Wednesday, 9 November. This is to facilitate a broader participation of the veterans who are also involved in other activities on the actual date of Veterans Day. This is a mandatory meeting, **We will be dark on Wednesday, 9 November.**
- 11. Our club is participating in a **multi-club grant to replace the shower**

facility at St. Paul's church that serves the homeless population in the North Sonoma County area. We are partnering with Windsor Sunrise, Healdsburg Noon, and Healdsburg Sunrise to facilitate this project with matching funds from the District.

12. **Andy Esquivel** will be running in the **Santa Rosa Marathon on Sunday, 28 August.** He is doing this to help raise funds for the Drew Esquivel Memorial Scholarship Fund as well as running in honor of his son, Drew. Members have been encouraged to support him by sponsoring his participation. The Healdsburg Running Company has printed a T-shirt emblazoned with *Live Like Drew* as well as information about donating to the scholarship fund that is available for purchase. Skip, from the Healdsburg Running Company will email members with details of where they might meet to cheer on Andy in his full marathon, and to offer hope and support for Will Seppi as he attempts to complete a half marathon.

MEMBER PROFILES:

Pam Moulton, a charter member of the club, presented a profile of her Rotary experience as well as a chronicle of her life, condensed into a five-minute period of time. Rotary International is a very good fit for her as she has always had a wanderlust and has lived in France where she learned to speak French, in Spain, where she learned to speak Spanish, and has been involved with numerous international projects with Rotary International. She was one of the few bilingual school psychologists in Sonoma County who has always specialized in children who learn differently. She states that Rotary literally opened doors for her in Healdsburg for making new friends and engaging her with the local community.

Bob Durler has lived in Healdsburg since 1961. He is a graduate of Montgomery High School, and shook hands with his high school counselor, Jack Vallerga, who is also a member of our club. He joined Rotary in 1983 and feels like this has become a second home and an opportunity for him to give back to the local as well as international communities. He is a Past President of the Noon Club (1996). He enjoyed waterskiing, and competed as an amateur throughout the Western United States, but has given that up for surfing as it does not require a boat or elaborate transportation to get to where he can have some good times in the water.

RAFFLE:

Once again, Ciro Morales held the winning ticket. This time, the question was the name of the founder of the first California Regiment, founded in 1861 to fight for the Union in the Civil War. The answer, Roderick Nicol Matheson. Sorry, Ciro, some historical facts are simply difficult to remember.

PROGRAM:

Andrea Aviles and Yomme Jones from the Rotaract Club at Sonoma State University presented a brief program on Global Off Site Care, a telemedicine program that is sponsored by the Rotary club of Sebastopol Sunrise. Currently Sonoma State University Rotaract club has three projects going, a nurse training telemedicine project in Uganda, the Otouke telemedicine project, also in Uganda and the Terra

Telemedicine project in Ghana.

These projects involve finding a hospital in a country of need that has capabilities for online access. Once discovered, these facilities receive training and equipment to allow them to communicate with physicians in the United States for educational as well as consultative services.

Dr. James Gude, a local internal medicine specialist, is the medical coordinator of the program and facilitates learning by holding grand rounds on a weekly basis that are shared with members of the telemedicine community. Consultative services are also available, including images of patients, on an as-needed basis.

To participate, hospitals need to have Internet access, tablet computers, laptop computers, and cameras to allow real-time sharing of information and cases.

The program has brought state-of-the-art medical technology and consultation to these often difficult to reach communities in areas that are underserved in terms of high quality medical care. Each of their programs requires a certain amount of funding for getting started, as well as some minimal ongoing costs.

At a previous program at our club, the details of the program were reviewed. Members are encouraged to visit their website, http://globaloffsitecare.org/ for further details regarding contributions or how you might otherwise be involved in their programs.

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, 31 August. Meet at the Park and Ride lot on South Healdsburg Ave. by Giorgio's restaurant to board the bus for AT&T park at 8:45 am. There will be no regular meeting that Wednesday.... GO GIANTS!

Respectfully submitted,

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