

**rotary CLUB of HEALDSBURG SUNRISE
TAYMAN PARK
MEETING SUMMARY**

DATE: Wednesday, 4 January 2017

ATTENDANCE: 19/44 43%

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Andy Esquivel led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROTARY MOMENT/INSPIRATION:

President Brad Benson:

*Efficiency is doing things right; effectiveness is doing the right things. Peter
Drucker*

SINGING:

Doug Pile led the group in singing a rousing version of *God Bless America*

GUESTS:

1. Ted Calvert, Noon Club
2. Richard Mucci, MD, featured speaker, Windsor Rotary club
3. Mary Crnich, scholarship recipient, Cal State Monterey Bay

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. **Larry Orr** circulated thank you notes that we have received from scholarship recipients for review by the membership.
2. **Ted Calvert** informed the members of the Healdsburg Literary Society's meeting on 12 January at SHED starting at 7 PM. Charles Danforth will be presenting a program on brewing and beer. He is the author of "Beer Is Proof God Loves Us". Cost is \$15 for hors d'oeuvres and wine.
3. **Pam Moulton** thanked members of the club who participated in the caroling at the Healdsburg Senior Living Center.
4. **Herb Liberman** informed the members that the club has received a \$1000 district grant to help fund to students at the University in Kenya
 He also questioned members about who took the beer that he bought on auction at our last meeting of 2016... No answers, just a lot of burping.
5. **SCARC dinner, 27th of January at the Fountain Grove Restaurant starting at 5:30 PM. Sponsored by Santa Rosa Sunrise Rotary. Topic *What Does Peace Look Like?* All members have received an email from the district regarding this event.**

RECOGNITIONS:

1. **Doug Pile** achieved another annual milestone and coughed up a little over 50% of his age to go to his Paul Harris.

RAFFLE:

There was no raffle today.

Mary Crnich gave a brief recounting of her adventures at Cal State University Monterey Bay. She is majoring in ECO hospitality and sustainable tourism. She is enjoying the college environment. She is most appreciative of the financial assistance that she has received from our club that is helping her to achieve their educational goals.

PROGRAM:

Richard Mucci MD gave an interesting and entertaining travel talk of his recent trip to the Amazon. He gave some interesting statistics such as the Amazon puts over 500,000,000,000 ft.³ per second into the Atlantic Ocean.

This adventure began at Manaus, a former thriving center of the rubber trade before synthetic materials replace this native grown commodity. Most of his trip was spent going up and down the Rio Negra River, one of the "black" Rivers of Brazil, its color being derived from all the leaves that settle to the bottom giving it a very dark color due to the large amounts of tannic acid. Because of this tannic acid, mosquitoes cannot breed in this water in this area of Brazil which is remarkably free of malaria. The "white" rivers of Brazil are that color because of their rapid flow and the carriage of great deals of silt.

Richard had numerous pictures of vegetation, insects, mammals, and reptiles.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 11 January 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Pile, Club Secretary