# ROTARY CLUB of HEALDSBURG SUNRISE TAYMAN PARK MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Wednesday, 6 July 2016

ATTENDANCE: 34/44 77.3%

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Larry Mills led the group in the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

## **ROTARY MOMENT/INSPIRATION:**

Colleen Carmichael offered these thoughts:

When you're lonely, visit an elderly neighbor.

When you are scared help someone else to be brave.

When you're stuck, encourage someone else to take a small step.

When you are depressed, make someone else smile.

When you're defeated, cheer up a family member.

When your heart is broken, help a friend mend theirs.

When things are going smoothly and unfolding the way you want, be grateful and bring someone else along with you.

#### SINGING:

The group made it part way through a modified version of *Happy Days Are Here Again*, but then everything fell apart. The position of song leader is open for anybody who would like to take it.

# **GUESTS:**

- 1. Kip Miller, American Legion Fireworks Program
- 2. Lynda Guthrie, Pres., Noon Club.
- 3. Warren Smith, Santa Rosa Sunrise Rotary, guest of Archie Julian
- 4. Will Walton, special guest of Will Seppi

#### PRESENTATIONS:

New president, Brad Benson, brought our immediate past president, Lee Morton forward and awarded him his past president pin. Lee Morton returned the favor and bestowed the new president pin on Brad Benson. Brad Benson then presented an incoming president pin to Dan Erickson. Now we finally know Who's on First!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pres. Brad announced that emails will be sent to members a week before they are to be recognized for their accomplishments (birthdays, anniversaries, other significant events, etc.) in order that they may consider appropriate donations to the Club when they are formally recognized.

The third meeting of each month will feature eggs and potatoes as a warm breakfast in addition to the offerings of Cousteaux, courtesy of Rio Lindo Academy culinary.

Herb Liberman rose to thank those people that helped with the Kids Parade, (with over 150 participants). Special recognitions went to Pam Everson, Richard & Meg Hillman, and Anne-Marie.

Shawn McCaffrey wanted to thank everybody who helped with setting up the flume for the races., With special recognition to Jack Mallinson.

Dan Erickson announced a **social to be held at the home of Lance and Barbara Cottrell on 11 August 2016.** This will be a potluck hors d'oeuvres starting at 5:30. He also announced the **Giants game, which will be held on August 31**, against the Arizona Diamondbacks. Sign-up sheets will be circulated. Hopefully a large participation from the Club will be obtained.

Lynda Guthrie from the Noon Club was here to congratulate us on the event held on the Fourth of July. She also wanted to make clear the intention of the Noon Club to be volunteers for this event or to help in other ways in future years. Despite having two Clubs in town, we are all Rotarians and should work together on all projects that benefit the community.

Ed Smith reported that Emma, our **Inbound Exchange Student** from Denmark will be arriving on the 15th. Erik Wagner and his family are potentially the second host family, this is to be confirmed in the near future. Nancy Palombo continues to work on a calendar of special events for Emma, to which members are encouraged to add significant outings for their family. If Emma is to be invited to an event, the host family should be contacted as well.

Pam Moulton reported that Talia, our outbound exchange student, helped at our Fourth of July event starting early in the morning and working through the end of takedown. She will be coming to our meeting on July 20.

Pres. Brad reported that our tentative income from the Duck Dash was \$13,890, up \$800 from last year. Expenses have not yet been figured in. Jerry Anderson won the prize again for selling the most tickets (\$1,640) and will be given free breakfasts for a year. Team E will get free breakfasts for the month of September

### **RECOGNITIONS:**

Lee Morton was recognized for having no Rotary pin on at his debunking. He agreed to pay \$20 fine for the oversight. He was also given a Jester Hat as he had graciously bestowed his upon Sarah Preston who is not yet received hers

as a new member. Brad in return presented a new Jester Hat to Lee. What's on Second!

Andy Esquivel is having to provide transportation for his children and has purchased a "new" vehicle. He was happy to make a donation.

Doug Pile has moved into a new home in Healdsburg, returning from Windsor where he has lived for the past few years. A contribution was made to the Club Foundation.

Richard Hillman donated happy dollars stemming from a family vacation at Lake Tahoe where nearly all of his family was in attendance.

#### RAFFLE:

Larry Orr, member of the Healdsburg Museum Board, held the winning ticket. In order to win the jackpot each week, the lucky ticket holder will have to answer a bit of trivia. Today's question was: In what year was Healdsburg founded? Larry did not have any idea but was close. The answer – 1857.

## **PROGRAM:**

Pres. Brad presented an overview of the forthcoming Rotary year, 2016-2017. The president of Rotary International, John Germ is from Chattanooga Tennessee. His slogan for the year is "Rotary Serving Humanity". Pres. Germ likes to emphasize the important role that Rotary plays in the world, but he concluded his interview in a recent Rotarian magazine article by asking each Rotary member ... How are you making a difference in your community?. The challenge is definitely local as well as international.

The world meeting of Rotary International will be held in Atlanta, Georgia in June, 2017. This is close to home, compared with other foreign destinations, and local members are encouraged to attend.

2016 marks the 100th anniversary of the creation of the Rotary Foundation. Each Club in the country is being asked to raise a minimum of \$2,650 to contribute to the Foundation.

Brad hopes to increase the membership in the Club as well as to increase our presence in the community and to develop stronger relationships with potential sponsors for our events.

Committee assignments will be discussed at the next meeting.

Diane Bucher presented a brief proposal for consideration by the membership regarding our **Club taking over the Chamber of Commerce bicycle tour** that is held in April of each year. They would like to find a home for this successful event outside of the Chamber of Commerce and the Club is

exploring it as a possible means of raising a moderate-generous amount of money for our Club. It would require full commitment of all Club members for this event to be successful. This will be discussed at the next Board of Directors meeting, to be held on July 11.

Pres. Brad closed the meeting with the quotation from Benjamin Franklin:

*Never confuse motion for action!* 

Next meeting, Wednesday, 13 July 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas D. Pile, M.D., Club Secretary