ROTARY CLUB of HEALDSBURG SUNRISE TAYMAN PARK MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Wednesday, June 14, 2017

ATTENDANCE: 22/42 53%

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Larry Mills did a wonderful job of leading the membership with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of America

ROTARY MOMENT/INSPIRATION:

Lee Morton presented a couple of reflections on the game of golf:

The uglier a man's legs are, the better he plays golf. It's almost the law.

If profanity had an influence on the flight of the ball, the game of golf would be played far better than it is.

SINGING:

Today is Flag Day. In commemoration, the group gave a rousing rendition (as usual), in unison, (some might say 12+ part unison) of *You're a Grand Old Flag*. Flag Day was established on June 14, 1916 by Pres. Woodrow Wilson.

GUESTS:

- 1. Mary Ritchie, outbound exchange student (Paraguay)
- 2. Skip Brand, owner of Healdsburg Running Company
- 3. Don Helt, visiting Rotarian from Charlotte Harbor, Florida

RECOGNITIONS:

- 1. **Manuel Ramos** returned after some period away from the club (children needed parental help with getting to school) to realize that his wife had had a birthday on April 8. He donated \$32 to Polio Plus
- 2. **Ed Smith**, also a way for some time, returned to be recognized for the birthday of his wife in May. He gave \$52 to Polio Plus and an additional \$50 to the Drew Esquivel Memorial Scholarship Fund.
- 3. **Terry Tremblay** donated \$50 to the club. During a recent round of golf, and this was witnessed!, he chipped in from off the green, the first time this has happened to him in his many years of playing golf. Of course he did it with his brand-new pitching wedge. Congratulations Terry ...you are hot!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. **Lee Morton** reminded members that the **Debunking of Pres. Brad** will take place eight days from today on **Friday, June 23 at Tayman Park**. He is still looking for volunteers to help with set up, take down and several other aspects of the program. He circulated a sheet for members to sign up.
- 2. **George Lawson** reminded members of the **SNAP** program which will start on **July 16**, a **Sunday**, at the **Foss Creek community center**. Our club will feature a two hour program of drumming and dance for special needs children. He also drew attention to three other events, sponsored by other members of Rotary Cares that will take place during the remainder of the summer.
- 3. Mary Ritchie, our outbound exchange student, is featured for a fun run to be held this Saturday, June 17 at 8 AM in Parkland Farms. It will feature a 5K run. It is to help raise money for her forthcoming trip to Paraguay. Her host family has a 12-year-old daughter who will be at home, and a 17-year-old son who will be going on a foreign exchange program about the time that Mary arrives.
- 4. Ann Marie Montecuollo has flyers and posters for the July 4 event for distribution to members to display in their places of business. She also has small flyers that can be distributed at other places where people congregate.
- 5. **Terry Tremblay** would like to have members **turn in their sold tickets with names and money as soon as possible** so they may be entered into the database for the prize winning combinations.
- 6. **Jay Beckwith** encouraged members to sign up for ticket sales at Safeway, Cousteau's, Ace Hardware and Big John's. In the past, these have been traditionally "hotspots" for ticket sales. Lee Morton and Pam Esquivel also encouraged members to use tickets for promotion, possibly buying tickets themselves and handing them out to other members in the community. Ticket sales are not only an opportunity to sell chances to win fabulous prizes, but **also a chance to SELL ROTARY!**
- 7. **Chris call** will be **receiving price**s at his place of business, North Bay Credit Union. His office is located at 1357 Healdsburg Avenue, in the Big John's shopping center.

RAFFLE:

Jake McKee was the lucky holder of the winning ticket. Lee Morton, in his capacity as acting president, pulled another one of his fast ones and had Jake guess a number between 60 and 90. He was off by one so he gets a free all-you-can-eat breakfast rather than a small fortune. All members are encouraged to keep coming to win the pot which is growing each week.

HAPPY DOLLARS:

- 1. **Manuel Ramos** is happy that his son will now be in kindergarten and delivering children to school will be less of a struggle. He expressed his happiness with \$100 donation to his Paul Harris.
- 2. **Archie Julian** was happy to have been playing in the round of golf with Terry Trembley when he made his momentous shot. He gave \$10 for happiness and also \$10 because between the three players they had nine wedges.

PROGRAM:

Sunrise Club member, Jake McKee, spoke to the club on issues near and dear to his heart. Jake is a land-use consultant and spoke specifically to the club about issues relating to land-use, in particular as they pertain to accessory dwellings, vacation rentals, Junior accessory dwellings and guest houses.

Jake works with individuals and businesses to help them through the processes of developing plans for additions to their properties or businesses. He spends a great deal of his time reading municipal codes, as well as staying abreast of state, county and to some degree federal regulations on land use.

Regulations vary greatly from area to area and before any improvement or addition can be added to an existing property, multiple reviews of its proposed use must be correlated with regulations covering such use.

A guesthouse is an addition to an existing property that may be detached. The restrictions on guest houses are that they may contain no kitchen, they cannot be rented, and they cannot be greater than 640 ft.² in area.

Accessory dwellings, in contrast, can be up to 1000 ft.² (although they can never exceed 50% of the square footage of the main housing on the property), may have kitchens and until recently they could be rented as vacation rentals.

Up until January 17, 2017 the fees associated with either of these structures were prohibitively expensive, averaging approximately \$20,000 in Healdsburg. Assembly Bill 1069 removed most of these restrictions and brought the price of permitting into a more reasonable realm. Notably, they eliminated the need for additional parking requirements. Part of the intent of AB 1060 was to increase the amount of housing, possibly affordable housing, available throughout California.

A junior accessory dwelling unit must exist within a primary structure but may have a separate kitchen and bathroom. The maximum square footage allowable for this type of addition is 240 ft.².

There is a category of home usage called a hosted rental. Regulations on this are that the occupancy be less than 30 days and that the owner must be in the property while it is being rented.

Currently, only primary residences can be used as vacation rentals, no accessory structures are to be rented as vacation rentals by owner. Vacation rental is defined as an occupancy of up to 30 days.

Jake also spoke about marijuana and land-use restrictions that relate to it. This matter is constantly in front of the local jurisdictions as they grapple with ways to confine the growing to certain areas. The "skunk factor" associated with growth of this particular plant make it undesirable in residential neighborhoods. The regulations regarding commercial growing of marijuana are in a constant state of flux not only because of the physical factors associated with its production but also because of the need to develop a taxation mechanism for it.

Jake answered many questions about home conversions and additions as well as ways of dealing with marijuana intrusion into neighborhoods.

NEXT MEETING:

Colleen Carmichael, Executive Director Jun 21, 2017 Reach For Home

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