

# **Propeller** Rotary Club of Vallejo

### March 6th 2014

Derrick Karimian

Acting President Tom Phillips rang the meeting in at 12:33pm

Norb Frost led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance

Tony Intintoli was asked to lead us in a song and he decided to do so festively as the month of March belongs to the Irish. Tony started "That's an Irish Lullaby." Come the chorus, the rest of the club joined in from the copies Tony provided. These were made quickly as his nice copies were this week's target by his cleaner.

## Fines Recognitions Happy \$\$

#### Happy Dollars:

Ann Grove: Tony Shannon was able to safely do a U-turn in the middle of the road and is still alive to talk about it (and wasn't hit by

# **Visiting Rotarians**

Carol Carrelsome visiting from Cordelia. Their club has it's March 15th Spring Extravaganza fundraiser coming up.

## Guests

None

## Announcements

JD Miller gave the usual evaluation form schpeel

Norb Frost: scholarship applications have gone out to the schools. Let deserving students know! Apps are on the website; they are due on April 18th

Pete Friesen: Chamber Mixer went well; a marvelous time was had by all. We had a booth and were represented well.

Walt Newell: Wine drawing happening next week (that's today!). If Walt doesn't sell all the tickets, someone else will have to take on this responsibility!

Dictionaries: According to my notes, the dictionaries made an announcement about themselves.... we will have a general club discussion about the future of the Ann). \$10

Helen Piersen had a kink in her back. She had never been to a chiropractor and was nervous to do so. Doc Harrington showed her the light and was able to fix her up in a matter of a few minutes. \$5

Doc Vizzolini is going to catch some Spring Training games! \$20

Walt Newell just got back from British Columbia. It was a dream for a skier! \$10

Mike Diaz matched Helen's \$5. For several years, he had a problem that no doctor could figure out. Doc Harrington was able to fix it immediately. \$5

Pete Friesen gave \$5 sad dollars. He's been seeing Doc for 5 years. He used to be 6'4"!

Gary Salvadori; In Tanzania, they called Doc "the freaky old white man." \$5

Paul Nannar gave \$50 happy dollars to be back after a 6 month absence from our meetings.

Mike Testides gave \$10 happy dollars and corrected Doc Harrington's African nickname. It was "the freaky white ogre." project on May 15th.

## Program

JD MIller introduced Carol from the Cordelia club, who has a real passion for Aldea

Carol: she started volunteering last year. Aldea's headquarters are in Napa, but they do half of their work in Solano county. She introduced Marcy and Mark from Aldea

Aldea concentrates on Mental Disorders and Foster Children

They serve 2200 annually, 1000 of which live in Solano county

"Aldea" means "Little Village"

The main Solano location is in Fairfield. There are a total of 30 therapists that contract with Aldea in Solano county, a handful of which serve in Vallejo.

Of the annual budget of \$10 million, only 9% goes to administrative costs. Total staff is 150

Mark, the Executive Director of Aldea for the last 9 years did a long and interesting question and answer session with our club.

For more info, visit their website at <a href="http://www.aldeainc.com/">http://www.aldeainc.com/</a>

## **Photos**

Doc Harrington matched those happy dollars and told us the full story of where this nickname came from. Here in America, we say "eat everything on your plate; there are starving children in Africa." They can't really say that in Africa, so what they say is "If you don't eat your dinner, the white ogre will come and get you." Apparently Doc fit the description in many of these kids minds!

Recognitions N/A

**Mystery Handshaker** 

Secret Handshaker was JD Miller and Norb Frost was the lucky winner.

#### Drawing/Trivia

Trivia went to JD Miller. The question was "Where was the world's fair in 1974?" JD incorrectly answered Montreal. Connie Klimisch was picked next and correctly answered Spokane, Washington.

Meeting adjourned at 1:31pm



Tom Philips standing in for President Shane



The Aldea Three



Mark, Director of Aldea

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