

The Propeller

September 18th, 2014 Walt Newell

President Robert rang the bell at 12:30.

Kathe Chandler lead us in the pledge of allegiance.

Tony Intintoli had the club sing "When the Saints go Marching In"

Announcements

Gary announced that Dick Hassel passed away. Twin Chapels will celebrate his life on Oct 4.

JD had 5 announcements:

- 1. Nov 15 Rotary Day at the Races
- 2. Please fill out the evaluation sheet because the speakers really appreciate this.
- 3. Oct 4 & 5 Waterfront Festival (6:48 will be a 5K and 10K run) Benefits go the Foster Kids Program. Oct 5 at 2:00 JD will be in the dunk tank. Dennis Klimisch will be in the tank a 1:30 and Ramona Bishop will be at 2:30.
- 4. Mare Island Brewery is now open at the Ferry Building. Open 5:00 to 10:00 pm Thursday thru Saturday and Sundays 3:00 to 9:00 pm, Good Beer!!
- 5. GVRD has a 5K run on Mare Island on Saturday.

Shawna announced that Rocktoberfest is coming Friday Oct 10 from 6-10 pm at Dan Foley Cultural Center. Denise has tickets and Jeannie Kilkenny-Turk has the details. President wants all Rotarians to buy 4 tickets to help make this a success.

Jeannie Kilkenny-Turk would like the Rotarians to donate raffle prizes for Rocktoberfest and next Thursday the 25 is the Vallejo Chamber Mixer and will be hosted at Vallejo Insurance Office. Jeannie paid \$5.00

Kathe Chandler announced that Freda Dill will be in the dunk tank from 10:30 or 11:00 on Saturday Oct 4.

Shane announced that last week football pool winner was Gary Salvadori. LeGuan took 2nd place and gave his winnings wife. (candy bar). Lou got 3rd place and won a candy bar.

Robert announced that our District money will be coming in shortly for the Every Fifteen Minutes event. When Helen Pierson returns from Italy, she will get things rolling with this event. The Vallejo Police will hopefully get involved because the new Police Chief is from Benicia and he was a big supporter of the Benicia event.

Lobster Boil coming up on Sept 27 for the Fairfield Rotary Twilight Club.

Oct 2 is the District Governors meeting.

Pigapalooza will be Oct 4 at Roberts house. Starts at 12:00pm or whenever they run out of booze.

Oct 12 Sunset Rotary is hosting a concert coordinated by Izzie and is in Tom Schneider's back yard from 4:00 to 6:00 pm.

District Conference is coming to Reno and will be on Oct 31 thru Nov 2.

Avery Greene is hosted our next Cocktail Party in a Thursday in November. Time and Date TBA

Tony announced that the Vallejo Symphony will be at Hogan Auditorium on Sunday 3:00pm \$20.00 for individual tickets.

Guests

Toni introduced David Perry from new President/Principle from St Pats/ St Vincents High School

Shane introduced Jack McCarthy who is the Fire Chief from Vallejo.

Recognitions

Birthdays

Mike Tastides celebrates his Birthday of 60 years and gave \$60.

Anniversaries

JD MIller celebrated his club anniversary of 27 years and gave \$100

Happy Dollars

Scott Peterson gave \$5.00 to honor his daughter Olivia who gave birth to a 8 lbs 7 ounce baby boy. This is his 11 grand child. Congratulation!!

JD gave \$20 to remind everyone who was is first place.

Jerry Morgan gave \$5.00 because Rich Curtola's house was broken into but Morgan Alarm stopped the burglar.

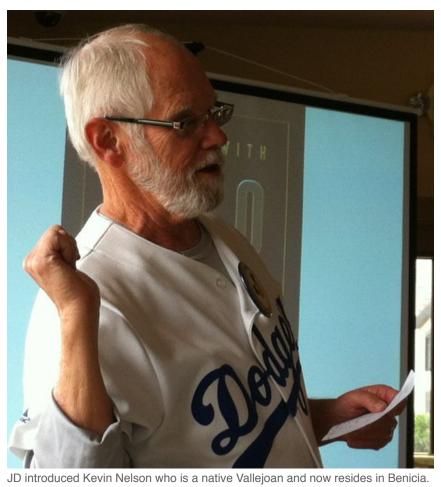
Anne Grove gave \$10 because Roberts son was very impressed on how old she was.

Tony Shannon gave \$5.00 for his son Maximilian who bought dinner for the family at Matsuri.

Joke for the week:

CHP pulls over a juggler/clown speeding on his way to the children's hospital event. Knowing that the clown is a good Samaritan, the officer then asks the clown to juggle some flares and he will let him go. A passerby motorists notices the man juggling the flares on the side of the road for the cop and pulls over. The man gets out of his car and goes directly to the back seat of the officers patrol car. The officer in confused as to why this person would do that, so he goes up to the patrol car and asks the man why he put himself in the back of his patrol car. The man then admits that he has had a little to much to drink and if the sobriety test is juggling flares, then he would rather go directly to jail.

Program





Kevin is an award winning author and has written 19 books. His wife Jennifer works at Vallejo Sanitation District. Kevin is impressed by the services that Rotarian's offer to their community. The book that Kevin will be speaking about today in called "Lunches with Mr Q". The name of the person that the book is written bout is Kjell Qvale. Kjell is Norwegian and is 92 years old. Kevin would go to his office in San Fransisco and have lunch and talk of his amazing life. Kjell is a multi-multi millionaire. He is mostly involved with British Motors and owns dealerships that imports and sells, Range Rovers, Ashton Martins, Lamborghini's and Jaguars. Kjell also owned successful race horses and once owned Golden Gate Fields. Kjell came to the US from Norway when he was 10 years old. At 19 years old Kjell went to University of Washington. He then went to was in World War Two and Flew over 14,000 hours. In 1947 he started a Jeep Dealership in Alameda that wasn't very successful.

Kjell #1 rule was to follow your gut and your intuition. He followed his gut feeling and started his dealerships when it wasn't a popular car in the US. He was in England visiting the Jaguar factory and heard about a car from Germany called the VW Bug. He became the first importer of the VW bug in the US. Kjell was the first person to start a car distributorship in the US, which allowed him to have a earn a profit on every VW bug that came into the US. Kjell was the founder of the San Fransisco exotic car show that still runs today. Kjell was involved with the building of Laguna Seca raceway that races international race cars.

Mr Q. then bought an English car company called Jensen. The Jensen car company went bankrupt and lost a million dollars. Kjell then builds a car that was Italian/English and this company goes bankrupts and he loses \$20 million.

Mr Q. then invests a million dollars into a bank in San Rafael, and then puts in \$10,000,000 and takes full control of the bank. People said that he shouldn't be doing this and the banking business will be a failure. Soon he grew the bank to 20,000 customers. In the late 2000's a man call Mr Q and wants to buy his bank. His accountant says that there has been an offer to buy the bank and Mr Q takes the deal and made many many multiples of what his invested was. Moral of the story is that, you are never to old to make it big in your later years in life. (Toni Intintoli now is inspired that he can still make it big)

\$5.00 Fine for Shane for his phone going off during the program.

Mystery Handshaker

Mystery Hand Shaker was Walter Newell: The winner was Tony Shannon.

Drawing

Kathe Chandler. Kathe is a native Vallejoan and has been in Rotary for 10 years.

Kathe has 3 daughters and 1 1/2 grandchildren and is with First Bank.

The Picnic was a great time and thanks to Anne Grove for coordinating that.

Proposed Members

Jack McCarthur - Vallejo Fire Chief

Kathleen Diohep - City of Vallejo - Economic Development

Randy Larson - Transport Products Unlimited - Equipment Sales

JoEllen P. Myslik - Cal Maritime - Education

Vijay Patel - Regency Inn - Hotel Owner

Meeting Adjourned 1:30 pm

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