



The Propeller

October 2nd, 2014

Shawna Gilroy

12:30 President Bresenio Called the meeting to order Jeanne Lead the Pledge of Allegiance Doc Harrington lead us in God Bless America

Announcements

JD; Vallejo Waterfront Weekend dunk tank schedule has been placed on the tables, he will be in the dunk tank on Sunday. Also, announced the Glow Run 5k/10k which is also a part of the Vallejo Waterfront Weekend. Commented on LaGuan showing up late, like a ninja. November 15 is Rotary Day at the Races, cost is \$40 which includes parking, lunch and access to the VIP Lounge.

Tony Shannon: Announced that he would be hosting a 2 block limp as part of the Glow Run during Vallejo Waterfront Weekend.

Shawna; Announced Rocktoberfest, we are still selling tickets and encourages everyone to promote, promote, promote. Shared the A&E Source front cover promoting Rocktoberfest.

Robert: Announced that for Rocktoberfest wee are still looking for Beer Mugs, also looking for sign-ups for people to work the beer and wine tables, a sheet will be passed around. Over \$7k was raised last year. Mike Diaz was recognized for his band Young Once, which LaGuan asked what kind on music they play "Hard Rock, Soft Rock, Acid Rock?"

Robert: Pig-A-Palooza is this Saturday Oct 4th at his home. All are invited, starts around 12 Noon til he gets sick of everyone.

Sunset Rotary will be hosting a Hawaiian music concert at Tom's home, cost is \$50. Same performer from their Luau a few months ago. Sunday Oct 12th, ticket includes food and beverage.

A Rotary cocktail party is being planned for mid November at Avery Greene's home.

Participatory Budgeting, voting is going on now through Oct 6th, get out and VOTE!

Inventor's Lab is hosting a Gala Nov 1st, at the Hall of Science, Bay Area wide event, they would like more Solano County people to attend, and they are trying to bring more science to Solano County and will be involved in the Loma Vista Farm event in the spring.

Guests

Visiting Rotarians:

none

Recognitions

Birthdays

Pete Freison; Birthday (60 yo), spent 2 weeks in Scotland, his golf clubs were stuck in London for 2 days, lost his car keys. Him and his wife will be going to dinner on Friday night and a party is planned for Saturday. Gave \$120

Rich Curtola; Birthday Sept 8 (64 yo), Club Anniversary (33 years), Wedding Anniversary 9/11 (38 years). His son also got married on 9/13. Gave \$100 to club and \$50 to Rocktoberfest (Thanks Jeanne for her hard work with the event all these years).

Anniversaries

Happy Dollars

JD- Dodger's are in the playoffs, gave \$20

LaGuan-Happy that his dog Diablo Jesus is on the mend, he took him to Doc and he was able to fix him up, he will be returning the expensive special dog food for credit. Gave \$5.

Doc Harrington-Excited for his trip to Tanzania in 2 weeks, he also has four blue balls, gave \$5

Mike Diaz-Fined \$20 for appearing in photo's in the newspaper without his Rotary pin.

Ramona Bishop-Fined \$5 for not wearing her Rotary pin to today's meeting. She was warned by Robert that the fee goes up geometrically.

Tony Shannon- Shared a joke in honor of Doc Harrington having four blue balls. "What do you do with an Elephant with four balls? You walk him and pitch to the Rhino." Gave \$2 that was donated to him by LaGuan.

Robert- His wife is in Austin for work he is playing Mr. Mom, one of his children's teachers came up to talk to him and tell him how sorry they were because his child had said that "Mom had passed away" he had to explain that his wife had just gone away not passed away.

Joke for the week:

It was so bad it's not worth repeating.

Program



Special Guest/Speaker introduction given by Robert; Pam Gray and her husband Brian, Rotary Governor for our district and First Man. From Paradise, CA they have been traveling around to all of the 71 Rotary clubs in the district. She is excited to announce the Rotary district conference in Reno, NV this year at the Grand Casino Resort. Pam owns two mortuaries and Brian owns a computer shop. Pam mentions that there hasn't been a governor from the Vallejo club in a really long time. (Jokes about nominating Rich Curtola).

Shared her story of her dad being in Rotary when she was growing up, talked about being involved in a lot of Rotary events. When she was out of college she wanted to join Rotary but women were not in Rotary yet so she worked with the local hospital foundation but it wasn't the same as being a member of the Rotary club. Her first club was sure they would rid the world of Polo, they worked hard to distribute vaccines, 30 years later they are still working on it. Rotarians don't stop, it's what make our organization unique and sets us apart from a lot of other organizations. She was a member for 19 years before she became club president. She compares Rotary to recess, she has a great time at all the meetings and when working on projects. She made the decision to share this with people and was invited to become a vice Governor. She then became Governor and here she is, doing a job she loves.

She speaks about Rotary International having fellowships all over the world that Rotarians are encouraged to join. Brian will be facilitating a presentation on fellowships at the district conference this year.

Brian speaks about the creation of the motorcycle fellowship. Shared a gnome that looks a lot like Pam when she is riding a motorcycle. Avery Greene and Pete Freison were both members of the former Motorcycle fellowship. They are selling bowling shirts, \$40 each, they have some available today for purchase. They had donated some of these shirts to a league in their town.

Brian remarks that when Pam says "District conference in Reno" what she really means is come and party with us. One of the things that has been set-up for this year is a Scotch tasting, there may also be a teguila and wine tasting.

Pam reminds us that November is Foundation Month. The Vallejo Rotary club was awarded a grant, written and submitted by President Bresineo, in the amount of \$3,640 for the Every 15 Minutes program. There is a Rotary Service trip to Mexico scheduled for March 11-15, they will be distributing wheelchairs and have other events. Every Rotarian is encouraged to participate in a Rotary Service trip.

Mystery Handshaker

Mystery Hand Shaker this week Denise was the mystery hand shaker and the winner was Shawna

Drawing

LaGuan won but passed the 2 minutes of share time to Rich Curtola.

Robert announced that he has some passes to the Fry's Open in Napa at Silverado, they are worth \$45 each, and they're for sale. Pete Freison will be buying 2 at face value.

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 at 1:33pm

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