



# Propeller

## Rotary Club of Vallejo

March 20th 2014

Tony Shannon

President Shane rang the meeting in a few minutes late today at 12:35pm

Rich Curtola led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance. We were back in the small room and did not have our usual flag. Rich found one on Avery Greene's shirt collar. So, we all faced Avery (except Avery) and gave our pledge.

Tony Intintoli cheerfully led us in "America the Beautiful"

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### Fines Recognitions Happy \$\$

#### Happy Dollars:

Bill \$20 - he went to spring training in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Pete \$20 - he went golfing in Palm Desert.  
Meanwhile, Walt called him to tell him that Pete

### Visiting Rotarians

none

### Guests

Don Demmon brought his daughter Jennifer. Actually, it was Jennifer who brought Don, since Don no longer drives.

Connie Klimisch brought her grandson, Griffin (20 months old).

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### Announcements

Bill Vizzolini reminded us about the CDA Free Dental Service Day. Our club will provide lunch for the volunteers on April 26th from 11am to 2pm. Plan on shifts from 10am to 3pm.

Fishing in the City is coming up soon, April 12th. If you have not already, please sign up to help. It's one of the great, fun things we physically do in the community.

GVRD is hosting the fabulous Easter Egg Hunt in Children's Wonderland Park on April 19th.

Pete Friesen announce that our Golfing For Dictionaries Tournament is coming along well. We

won a case in our wine drawing, minus one bottle (which Walt stole).

JD \$20 - he only has 77 more days until he can drink wine again.

Walt \$5 - he is glad the wine drawing is over for the year. He fully admits to stealing a bottle of Pete's wine.

Jerry "Trouble" Morgan \$5 - won a case of wine, but it was all 2 buck Chuck.

Rich Curtola \$20 - he's happy to be here. He says he's grateful Shane doesn't drink. Apparently, Shane is quite a party without alcohol. Shane then related a story about a childhood snowmobile trip where his sister (who was in the third grad at the time) drank what she thought was juice and had some trouble steering her snowmobile.

Connie K \$5 - Thanks to Connie Howard for donating her wine to Loma Vista Farm.

Doc Harrington \$5 - He says that in spite of his appearance and behavior at other times, when it comes to installing alarms, Jerry Morgan is very professional.

### **Recognitions**

have some sponsorships (we can always use more) and we can always use more golfers. Please sign up with a foursome or sponsor the tournament in some way. The tournament will be May 21st.

Before the tournament, on May 3rd, our Rotary District Conference will be at Solano Community College. (much koolaid was passed around)

Don Demmon is no longer driving. You can sign up to drive Don to a Rotary meeting. It should be one of our Rotary meetings and, yes, you do have to take him back home after the meeting.

## **Program**

Tony Adams spoke to us today about his vision for increasing Vallejo tourism. He calls it the "Vallejo 2nd Day Experience."

The first day in Vallejo is assumed to be spent at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom. Tony's idea is to capitalize on the fact that people come here for the theme park and entice them to come back another day for other attractions.

He pointed out that we have not had ferry service to Mare Island for 27 years. His idea involves re-activating ferry service to Mare Island so tourists could come here from San Francisco, after they have done all the tourist stuff there and visit Mare Island for a historical tour and a music concert.

We already have zoning in place for multiple winery boutiques and micro breweries. There is increased interest in Vallejo by Napa wineries. The artist community on Mare Island is solidifying and could create some tourism draw.

Established plans for Mare Island call for major public open space along the waterfront. There could be some children's entertainment in the project. A concert

N/A

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### **Mystery Handshaker**

Secret Handshaker was Tony Shannon. Kevin Rahill won

### **Drawing/Trivia**

Tony Adams, our speaker was picked for the trivia question. In the 1995 World Series, Native Americans picketed because the series was between what two teams? The answer is the Atlanta Braves and the Cleveland Indians.

venue would be part of the project and be the major income source.

A small water-taxi type boat could go back and forth between Mare Island and Vik's Wheelhouse. The Captain of the boat could dress as Admiral Calaghan, Admiral Farragut, or General Vallejo to provide some historical flavor.

Cal Maritime is interested in supporting the project.

A movable stage could be made from existing structures and caissons which are no longer in use. The stage could be built on a rail car and moved in for a concert and then back out of the way for rail traffic. This would provide a way to transform the waterfront into a concert venue temporarily.

There could be a way to finance this through a "Community Owned Corporation". Where members of the Vallejo Community buy shares in a corporation to fund the project.

This project could bring great benefits to the whole community.

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## **Photos**



Gavin Gavel enjoying a beautiful view and a nice bottle of Rotary Wine Drawing wine.



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