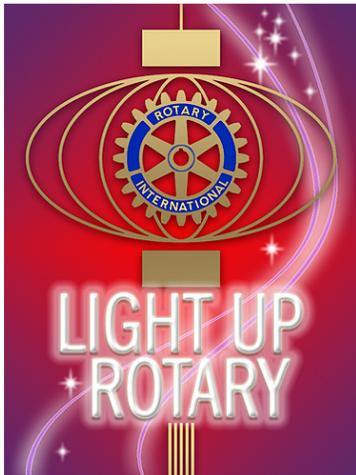


Now with more Proposed Members (see the end)

Vallejo Rotary



The Propeller

August 14th, 2014

Walter Newell

Past President Scott Peterson was filling in for the elusive Robert Briseno.

Scott opened up the meeting at 12:30 PM

Tony Shannon lead the Rotarians in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tony Intintoli did not have music sheets so he lead us in the ever so popular summer hit "Jingle Bells"

Announcements

Friday August 22 is the Cocktail Party at Lori Ann's house. 6:00 pm.

Lori Ann was in Logan Utah and brought back a flag from a Rotary Meeting there.

Jeannie Kilkenny Turk reminds us that the Rocktoberfest is Friday October 10, 2014 from 6:00 to 10:00 PM at Dan Foley Cultural Ctr.

Sponsorship Opportunities are \$100 Beer Mugs, Pale Ale \$250 (2 tickets), Amber Ale \$500 (6 tickets), Premium Dark \$1000 (10 tickets)

Golf Tournament for the Fairfield Rotary Club at Paradise Golf Club Sept 5, 2014 at 12:30

Sunset Rotary/Benicia Rotary Picnic Sept 13 at Highland Park

Pigapalooza at Robert Briseno House on Sat October 4, 2014. Location 7043 Stonebrook Dr. Vallejo CA 12:00pm to Midnight or until Robert kicks you out.

Annual Rotary District Conference in Reno is Friday Oct 31 thru Sunday Nov 2nd. Pete Freisen can't go because

he's reorganizing his wife's shoe closet that weekend.

Guests

Tony Intintolii granddaughter, Jasmine Sears

Avery Greene daughter Kim Greene is here visiting from New York

Gary Salvadori guest is Dr Ramona Bishop and is the Superintendent of Schools in Vallejo

John Harrington guest is Eli Huffman and is an attorney for neighborhood laws.

Recognitions

Birthdays

None in attendance

Anniversaries

No Recognitions present today. Freda Dill, Paul Nannar and Norbert Frost will get hit up next week.

Happy Dollars

Avery Greene \$100.00 because his daughter Kim is here from New York. This amount will go towards the Rotary Foundation.

Lou Caretti just got Back from Europe and gave \$20.00

Constance Howard gave \$10.00 for she and Bobby going to Oregon. They celebrated the 50th Anniversary of their 1st date. Bobby remembered but forgets his children's name.

Mike Taststides gave \$10.00 because he didn't have to here JD or Helen talk about the team that's in 1st place in the National League West.

Walter gave \$20.00 for his 2 children for being in the stage play "Tommy". It is playing in Fairfield Theatre and Walter is giving \$20.00 for every Rotarian that attends.

Shane MacAffee gave \$5.00 because the Dan Foley parking lot is now being done paving. Measure A helped pay for the paving and the parking lot will be ready before the Roctoberfest. Also on Amador St the tennis courts and the pickle ball courts has been resurfaced.

Kevin Rahill announced that JD Miller stopped by before the meeting and gave \$20.00 because his Dodger Blue is still in 1st place. Also Kevin gave \$5.00 because he visited Calaveras to see the giant Sequoia's for his 20th consecutive year. Also another \$5.00 because he is going to see Paul McCartney at CandleStick Park.

Doc Harrington. \$5.00 for Avery's inspiration.

Pete Friesen gave \$10.00 Happy/Sad \$'s, because his wife Patty had returned from being away or because she was gone. Pete was mixed up on how he felt on this issue!

Lori Ann gave \$5.00 because she claims that Pete is actually a big marshmallow and that he loves his wife dearly.

Mike Diaz gave \$5.00 because he was glad to Greg Silva here at lunch and not at the mortuary.

Scott Peterson gave Happy \$5.00 because he climbed Half Dome with his 4 children and stopped at the cable's because his paramedic son advised him not to go any further and now it is off the bucket list.

Joke for the week:

None

Program

Doc Harrington introduced Tina Ecaracion from Community Services Section of Vallejo Police Department. CSS was formed last year and is a civilian run section and does not have any actual police officers that work this division.

The department consists of two retired police officers and a part time community service specialist.

The (CSS) handles many different matters that include quality of life complaints, squatter properties, homeless encampments, nuisance properties, as well as gathering information on suspected drug rings, prostitution rings, and auto theft rings.

Tina is a resident of Vallejo and when she move the Country Club Crest area of Vallejo she quickly realized that

there was lots of crime in her neighborhood. Mary Padetti and Jim Coughlan are the retired officers that now participate in the Community services division. Tina now holds a full time position and has offices hours from 9:00 am to 4:00 PM. Tina specializes in developing neighborhood watch programs throughout Vallejo and has trained up to 100 neighborhood watch programs in the last year.

By going door to door and taking a stand in her neighborhood Tina developed an effective watch in her surrounding neighborhood and was able to cut crime 68% in 18 months in the Crest area.

Tina witnessed drug dealing on her streets and when her home was burglarized while she was giving birth to her child, that was all she could take.

Not long ago there were approximately 100 squatters properties in Vallejo. With getting familiar with laws that help expedite the removal of such individuals, Tina has been able to lower the number to approximately 15 homes in Vallejo. CSS gathers information on drug homes, theft rings and prostitution rings and turns it into the Police Department.

Contact information for CSS: communityservices@ci.vallejo.ca.us also nextdoor.com
CSS Ph# (707) 651-7218
Or contact Tina directly at 651-7184.
Jim Coughlan 648-4081 and
Mary Pedetti 553-7258.

Tina is currently working on the Hogan project now and she is trying to improve that neighborhood. They will be removing nuisance individuals and boarding up homes that are being used by squatters.

Class action lawsuits are ways to go after properties that are either owned by private citizens or banks. Vallejo Lamplighters help with these types of lawsuits or you can hire your own attorney.

CSS are not able to handle in progress crimes. Write or call the police department for situations that require police presence.

Upcoming Events: Neighborhood Watch Summit- August 23, 2014 10:00 am 734 Marin St

How to handle Nuisance Neighbors and Absentee Landlords Sept 3, 2014 6:30pm 2 Florida St

Vallejo Police Department Open House- Sept 6, 2014 10:00-4:00 PM 111 Amador St

Ridding your Neighborhood of Blight- October 1, 2014 6:30 pm 2 Florida St

Mystery Handshaker

Mystery handshaker: The winner was Gary Salvadori

Drawing

Tony Intintoli was the ticket winner again

Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm

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 1:25pm

Please enjoy this great photo of Mike Diaz below:



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