

ROTARY CLUB
OF SANTA ROSA WEST



Bulletin - 4/16/18 - Ronald J. Quintana – TCAT Investigation

by Christine Schieberl - Monday, April 16, 2018

President Chris Parr-Feldman, our birthday girl, opened the April 16th, 2018 meeting with her unique style and enthusiasm. Christine Schieberl led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jim Hinton shared a “Moment” with us. Julie Nation wrote the bulletin. There were no visiting Rotarians today.



Don Johnson brought as his guest Norma Sagoon, and Mike Merrill brought our new member Weston Miller! Weston is sponsored by Don Johnson. Weston has a B.S. Degree from Chico State in Concrete, which is used abundantly around the world in building projects. He is now with Pinnacle Mortgage. Weston’s wife, Amy, is an ICU nurse.



Our cashier today was Steve, our greeter Ray, our raffle done by Marie, and photos courtesy of Milagros. Julie Nation won a bottle of wine.



Don Johnson took Harry Rubin's place today to make announcements re: Paul Harris Foundation donations. We were given our individual financial status with Paul Harris in writing, and encouraged to donate to the next level of contributions. Don reminded us that Paul Harris points can be assigned to another person, in case we want to donate in another person's name.

Christine Schieberl announced host families were needed for Youth Exchange. We have a student from Indonesia coming, and she reminded us host families offer three month stays in their home.

David Mc Donald showed us a huge poster check of our fundraising that can be posted everywhere. We are thrilled with our Crab Feed success.



Karen shared her amazing six week experience of being trained as a travel guide in Botswana, Africa. She also visited the school we sponsor in Capetown, South Africa, and was impressed. Karen will provide a presentation to our Club re: this unique travel endeavor. Way to go, Karen!



President Chris collected fines from several members, including Bill Gunter. Life is

wonderful he reported, except his winemaking isn't stellar. Thus he has created Bill's Beer. For this recognition he forked over \$25.00.



The announcement was made by Susan Nowacki that we have donated \$2,000.00 to Roseland Prep. She was told by President Chris that she had until the end of June to pay for fines for her recognitions.



Our guest speaker, Ronald, is currently dedicated to education to teach citizens how to protect themselves in the event of a workplace violence incident. Ronald has been in law enforcement for over 30 years, and his training also includes being on a Swat team. He illustrated how we have been taught since 1954 for the “duck and cover” response in case of a natural disaster like an earthquake, a nuclear attack, or a shooting. This is not the best response for all situations, and we would benefit if we learned to open up our response choices to better relate to the situation at hand. We can run, hide, or fight. Ducking under a strong piece of furniture or door way is still a good response for an earthquake, however, always with head held down and protected. Anything we can do as first responders to interrupt the shooter's thought process is helpful, like throwing glasses at him/her. The further away from the shooter you are, the better off you are. Think outside the box...can you create a barricade of some kind? Always teach our children not to talk to strangers,

and if anyone grabs them, teach them to scream and kick like crazy.

In case of major terrorist attacks or school shootings, police arrive in the average of three minutes. Therefore, whoever is present in the room, environment, are the first responders. The first “wave” of officers responding have as their goal taking out the shooter, even if they have to walk over bodies. The second “wave of officers” address the victims, and the medical team.

Remember the shooter expects to die, going out in a blaze of glory, so be aggressive with your decision.

President Chris thanked our speaker, who also took a few questions, and the meeting was closed promptly at 1:30pm.

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