



Kris Becker, President 2017-2018

Celebrate Rotary

Number 3 for The Week of July 20, 2017

Public Administrator



Karina Alvarez introduced Rosie Blankenship, today's program speaker. Mrs. Blankenship is the new Public Administrator for Imperial County. Rosie was a little jittery because her husband is the new Kiwanis President this year and speaking to the Rotary Club might be a cause for concern.

Rosie spoke about the Public Conservator / Guardianship portion of the Public Administrator's job. In addition, she spoke about the "Area Agency on Aging", the "Representative Payee Program" and the "Indigent Burial Program". She also spoke about Probate actions undertaken by the Public Administrator's Office for persons who die with no will or without an appropriate individual willing or able to act as the administrator of the decedent's estate. Clearly, these are not easy situations to deal with.



Rosie also spoke about trying to keep from having individuals prematurely institutionalized. If you can keep them out of an institution you can keep them healthier.

The client case load for her office is currently about 787 cases with each of the managers handling 260 cases.

There are also senior nutrition programs (trying to meet nutritional requirements), health clinic services (dealing with health problems and medical services), providing transportation, providing home visits, companionship, placement in institutional facilities and as a last resort placement in a locked facility.

I was fascinated when Rosie pointed out that there are simple things such as "Bus Schedules" that can help these individuals.

We are lucky to have Mrs. Blankenship undertaking this difficult job! Thank you Karina for bringing us this very interesting program!

Announcements

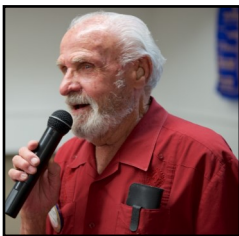
President Kris announced that on August 10th the District Governor of our Rotary District would be visiting our Club.

In addition, she told us that she would be out for the next two (2) Rotary Club meetings.

On July 20, 2017 Bobby Brock will be covering for the Prez and on August 3, 2017. Cathy Kennerson will be covering for the Prez.

Dan Nuffer announced that this month's Birthday boys were Sergio Santos, Jim Brock and John Levada. As only one was present, we all sang "Happy Birthday" to John Levada and he got his pick of Dan's birthday gifts.

Pastor Ron Griffen had the lawyer joke for the day and it was from the movie "Philadelphia" starring Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington. The question is "What do you have when you have 500 lawyers chained together at the bottom of the ocean? The answer is "a good start".



POT



Mike Rood won \$34.00 in the weekly drawing. However, he did not win the large pot which was carried over.

Pledge, Prayer and Song

President Kris Becker began the third meeting of her Rotary Club presidency with the pledge by Louis



Plancarte, followed by the blessing/ prayer by David Wells and a patriotic song led by Pastor Ron Griffen.

Visiting Rotarians and Guests of Rotarians



There were no visiting Rotarians at today's meeting. Ed Snively introduced his guest, James Garcia. Karina Alvarez introduced her guests, Rosie

Blankenship (today's speaker) and Gil Rebolgar



New Member Proposed

James Garcia is being proposed for membership. James is being proposed in the category of Real Estate and is being proposed by Ed Snively. James works for Capital Real Estate as owner and broker. James is currently the President of the Imperial County Association of Realtors. James is a "get it done" kind of person and wants to give back to his community. To quote Ed, "He will be a strong Rotarian."



Rotary Theme for 2017-2018



Whining and Fining



Karina Alvarez admitted to being on a trip to Seattle. She went to a Rotary meeting at a hotel there and paid \$27.00 for a conti-



nental breakfast. She renewed her vows after 27 years of marriage and I think she went on a trip to Las Vegas. She brought the Prez a Canadian Flag and a shot glass (to be used only for medicinal purposes). It cost Karina \$50.00 to the club.

Mike Rood admitted to being on Lake Norman in North Carolina. He went boating and saw fireworks from the nearby golf course. In addition, he has been taking glider (sky sailing) lessons at Warner Springs. Mike brought the Prez a shirt with a "Parrot" picture on the front. He paid \$100.00 to his father's Paul Harris and \$100.00 to the Club.

Phil Heald began a trip to Oregon. His motor home had a failure of its "air conditioning system". He only got as far as Fresno, California. Phil, better luck next trip!

The President spoke about her and her son's take on the song "Tight Pants". We are all sure that the Prez's mother thinks it's a cool song.