

THE GRAPEVINE

October 1, 2013

Month 4, Meeting 13 in the Administration of the ScottMaster



I know this is a breakfast meeting, but.....

Announcements:

1. Mini Grants are coming due. Rosemary gave a great talk this morning about the fall program. Applications will on on-line soon. In the meantime she and Kristi have the applications.
2. The Grapevine editor (that's me) is looking for backup. Anyone interested in taking this over in my absence? Otherwise this publication may suffer the same fate as most print media today.
3. The ScottMaster is touting the Avenues of Service Meeting on October 17th—this includes workshops and dinner. Also a good opportunity for red badgers to cross this off.
4. Halloween Party (in costume on October 30th at the Bedford's). Dave announced there is a theme to this event. In costume, dress as somebody/something with a current event motif.

OTHER:

1. Travelers Have Returned:

- Back from Cabo San Lucas is **Gib Souza**, looking like Bob Barker. What gift do you think he brought for the ScottMaster from Mexico?



Deb explaining to a detached Prez the gifts she brought him

• From China is **Deb Tacker**, where she married off her son. She brought back all kinds of food items for our prez. Told him they came from “Bug Alley.” He didn’t look too impressed. Editor’s note: Something’s missing here. We have two members who have traveled half way around the world, bring back a few trinkets, and the prez melts like a piece of butter. No wonder we’re going broke.

2. The President’s Club is up and running again. Translation: For \$300, you donate \$100, to RI, \$100 to the local foundation, and \$100 stays with the club. It also means you are fine free for the year.

3. Sports Report By ED—Big deal about the America’s Cup, where the winner, Oracle, had one American crewmember. Brings patriotic tears to your eyes. As always, there was Dodger talk. You heard it here first—the Dodgers will lose in five to the Braves, then they’ll go to IKEA and see what they can buy.

4. Laureen clarified last week’s member’s talk a little bit. The essence of her talk is: (1) start bringing prospective members to our meetings; (2) get them to join; (3) attend socials and/or fundraisers; (4) update your profile. There are points attached to all of the above and the winner gets to go anywhere in the world and bring back some trinkets for the prez.

TODAY’S PROGRAM: Our RYLA Campers



(l-r) Jaime Hamilton, Tamara Fleet, Vicki Gorski and Eleanor Mount

Best RYLA talk yet!

Great hearing about all the fun and educational activities that occurred at RYLA. **African Proverb: If you want to go fast, go alone, If you want to go far, go together.**

Common Theme: “I didn’t know what to expect and wondered what I had got myself in for.” AND THEN: “Wow, what a time! I have long-life friends. We learned so much and had fun doing it.”

Leadership Modules:

Ethics, Leadership roles, Building Relationships, Social Justice, Social Change, Networking and Net Worth, Time Management

Workshops:

Service, Entertainment, RYLA Studios, social media, Speech and Debate, Sports, Band and Choir.

After Further Review.....

1. **Knucklehead(s) of the Week:** So many candidates this week, but it's tough not to give this to our elected leaders for shutting down the government. Especially troubling to see on today's news WWII veterans who are part of the Honor Flight program, which is designed to bring these dwindling members to visit the WWII Memorial in Washington DC. They arrived there this morning to be told that the memorial was closed. At least two Representatives from their home district had the good sense to cut down the yellow tape and lead this group into the memorial.
2. **Pet peeve of the week:** People who yell.
3. Pretty embarrassing this morning to watch Da Bum bring the meeting to order by striking a spoon on a Rotary cup. I mean, what did they teach you in PETS?.
4. OK, I give. Trying to use our website has me tapping out.
5. Who says that USC fans lack originality? Seen outside the LA coliseum is an area marked FIRE LANE, which has KIFFIN written in after it. Who says dreams don't come true?
6. Our group does not do a cappella well. But it scarred the hell out of the turkeys nearby. Poor ol' Tennessee Ernie Ford must have done a quarter turn in his grave this morning.

Today's Final Thought: Find solutions, not blame!

In case you want more information check out the club website at
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?cid=4915>

"After all is said and done, there is usually more said than done."
Kevin

