



Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club

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Minutes

Meeting conducted at Sportsman's Hall

Members present: Margaret Birge, Heather Campbell, Martin Fine, Ken Harper, Jack Mallinson, Jim Maroun, Dave Rogers, Dennis Staller

Guests: Elizabeth Mallinson, Jo Ann Rogers

Speaker: Grant Coffin, Indian Diggings School District

The meeting was called to order by President Dave at 6:00 pm.

Silent Prayer: Dave asked for a moment of silence for ADG Chuck Lepere, who has been diagnosed with stage four melanoma.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Dave donated \$4 to Polio Plus to celebrate his birthday this Tuesday. He is 72. He and Jo Ann will be going to central Europe to celebrate their anniversary. Grant announced that today is his wedding anniversary.

Two bits, four bits....dollar: Jim donated two bits and gave an apology for being late to Strikes for Scholarships, and also for his bad jokes at the event. Ken donated \$3 to celebrate the successful removal of what turned out to be benign growths on his dog's nose and back. Heather donated \$2 to celebrate the Fire Safe Council (she is the president of the Pollock Pines-Camino Fire Safe Council) getting a \$192,000 grant for fuels reduction near inhabited areas in the Pollock Pines-Camino area. \$9 million in grants were granted in total in California, and over \$57 million in grant requests had been submitted.

Speaker: Grant Coffin is the Superintendent, Principal, and the lone teacher in the Indian Diggings School District. He is the only full time employee the the district, all others being part-timers or volunteers. He has a total of 15 students. The school has been open since 1856.

The town of Indian Diggings was named after prospectors saw local Indians digging for gold. The town is now gone but the community still exists. At one time much larger, it began to shrink after the gold being mined ran out. For a while the town survived because of a marble quarry. When that closed the school moved, in 1942. The original building burned in 1959, was rebuilt, and still exists, having been remodeled and improved over the years. It now has two classrooms. A nearby sawmill was the biggest employer.

The school is a K through 8th grade campus. Students get the CCSS curriculum. Daily school meetings included students, parents, and aides. Students have laptops and ipads, and a fibre optic line will soon be installed.

Diamonds & Denim: The Placerville Rotary Club is hosting their annual fundraising event, which is known as Diamonds & Denim this year. Lacy J. Dalton is the featured performer. Dave believes he has enough neighbors who want to go the fill out a table, and hopes enough of our club members will go the fill up another.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 am.

Respectfully submitted:

Kenneth Harper, Secretary