

December 10, 2009

The feeling in the air was that of a great holiday season around us. Sharon Vaughn and Marilyn Woods greeted our members and guests while Dave Harris sold raffle tickets this week. The winner of \$31.00 from the raffle was Bill Kistler.

Jeff Cyriacks delivered a wonderful invocation and Jeanie Thomas played for us as we sang "Deck the Halls".

President Mailyn introduced Dara Fubler who sang two beautiful songs for us while Jeanie accompanied her on the piano. Dara was brought to us by our one and only, Larry Beckner. Thank you very much for this wonderful treat, Larry.

I had the pleasure of introducing my guest and friend, Lenee Grisier, Joe Haney introduced Jennifer as his guest, Claudia Jackson introduced Captain Dan from the Salvation Army and Paul Miller introduced his "wife" as his guest. By the way, her name is Lynn.

Captain Dan from the Salvation Army reported a 13% Kiwanis increase of funds raised during our bell ringing campaign this year and over \$50,000.00 was raised by our Kiwanis Club and Rotary Club combined. Way to go!!!

This week Michell Kelly celebrates her birthday on December 7th, Orville Petersen on December 9th and Randy Kirschbaum on December 12th.

Happy Bucks flowed freely this week from Stacey Mascarenas, Jessica Miracle, Patti Hoffman, Rick Tuma, Steve Thompson, Kristin Winn, Larry Beckner, Marsha Harbert, Heather Smith, Mailyn D'Aponti, Vikki Bell, Jim Moore, John Hildebrand, Orville Petersen, Claudia Jackson, Pete Jouflas, Ron Sherman and Jeanie Thomas.

Then our Fine Master Mailyn stepped up by fining Rick Nisley, Pete Jouflas, Steve Thompson, Bill Byers, Wes D'Aponti, Joe Breman, Heather Smith, Vikki Bell, Roxie Denning, Sandy Barger and Kristin Winn. Some of the fines revolved around some "dirt" that she had on us from this year's Christmas Party????!!

Cathy DiPaola from Hospice and Palliative Care of Western Colorado spoke to us about Camp Good Grief. This year our club allocated \$1,500.00 toward this great project and Cathy gave us a great presentation.

Steve Thompson wrapped up this year's bell ringing and thanked all who were involved. Steve announced that our club raised \$16,470.00!!! Blaine Scott received an award of a "Barrel of Monkeys" and a Regal Theater gift card. Thanks went out to Heather Smith and Vikki Bell for planning an outstanding Christmas Party at the Bookcliff Country Club.

Remember that we will not have our regular meeting on Thursday, December 24th. The Golden K Club has invited us to join them for lunch on Wednesday, December 23rd at the Redlands Community Center at 12:00. There will be sign-up sheets on our tables next week and the \$10.00 will be billed in January 2010.

January 7, 2010 will be the start of a food drive for the Community Food Bank and like last year there will be a team competition for the most food collected.

Blaine Scott delivered a great Joke of the Day and I delivered the Thought for the Day that was given to me by Jeff Franklin.

Gifts for the President came from Heather Smith, Roxie D and Woody Walcher this week and with that we were adjourned.

Until next week.....Roxie Denning, Bulletin Editor