

## **New Veterans Outpatient Clinic**

## Today's Introductions

Jill Letendre & Teresa Adams introduced the members of Team 1. Those who helped out in today's meeting: Harry Grashoff led the flag salute. Mark Rincon gave the invocation. Past President Steve Westlake introduced our guests and visitors. John Mathena & Brian Seamans were the Sergeant-at-Arms. Rob Adams, Rick Fauss, & Mark Rincon were our greeters, Keyway greeters were Wendy Dickens & Levi Knight. Mark Wood sold Plinko tickets.



Thanks to Jennifer Finnegan for our pre-meeting music.

### On the mic today...



Jill Letendre & Teresa
Adams...
introducing their team



Mark Rincon...
with the invocation and sunshine report



**Steve Westlake...** welcoming our guests

	Calendar
June 13	The Dam & How the Recent Storms Have Affected Things
June 20	Past Presidents Program
June 27	Noon Meeting Dark, President Greg's Demotion in the evening
July 4	Dark

#### **Club announcements**

- **President Elect Jeff Avery** encouraged everyone to complete and turn in their Pledge Commitment and Committee Assignment forms as soon as possible.
- An announcement was made about the upcoming Life Skills Academy which happens the week of July 22, the 4th week in July. We need your help to mentor 20 kids for 5 days. Kathy Malain will be sending out a video that explains the program in detail. This is our District Grant project and it is a great hands-on service opportunity to give a hand up to 20 local teens. You can attend one day, or all five days.

#### Recognitions

- Maurice Johannessen for the groundbreaking of the new Veterans Outpatient Clinic, \$200
- **Jess Whitlow & Greg Balkovek** for anniversary trips to Maui (10 years for Jess, 50 years for Greg), each gave \$100 to the club
- Teresa Adams for a family trip to Carlsbad & San Diego, \$100 to the club
- Nikki Anthony for a trip to Bermuda with her sister, whatever is left on her pledge
- Steve Clark In exchange for not being embarrassed about anything, \$200
- Julie Gussenhoven for celebrating 19 years of her Doctorate of Optometry, whatever is left on her pledge
- Cathy Wyatt for a trip to Sicily & Malta, whatever is left on her pledge
- Dan Ghidenelli for a cross-country trip to Charleston & Savannah, whatever is left on his pledge
- Dar Barzin for a new truck, \$100 to the club
- Peggy O'Lea whatever is left on her pledge
- Gary Burks for Dar being a great bartender, whatever is left on his pledge
- Jim Chapin for an upcoming trip to ID, MT, & Canada, whatever is left on his pledge
- **Jeff Darling** for paying off a credit card, whatever is left on his pledge
- Majeanne Stone for playing with her grandkids, whatever is left on her pledge

#### **Today's Program - The New Veterans Outpatient Clinic**

**President Greg** introduced today's speaker by citing a remembrance of a visit he had while in high school to the offices of Woodward and Nichols where he met a young Les Melburg watering the office plants. Greg decided to stay in construction at the time instead of pursuing a career in architecture:).

Les gave some background to the intent of this and the many other veterans clinics currently being built around the country. You may remember several years ago the Veterans Administration fell under scrutiny for its poor care of our veterans. The mandated budget to correct this with new clinics has grown to about \$13 billion currently.



**Maurice Johannessen** looks on as Les Melburg gives details on the new clinic.



An artist's rendering of the new clinic in Redding which is slated to open December of 2020.

With a focus on honoring our veterans, the architectural approach with these new clinics has been to create a feeling of hospitality and less of a clinical feel. Patients will experience an open, window-filled space while waiting to be seen, and will be taken to single room where multiple caregivers will come to the individual.

Props were given to **Maurice Johannessen** for his tireless work in seeing the vision of this clinic come to fruition.



See Kristi Davis and Jessica Whitlow to purchase tickets – You will need them at the gate!

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