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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
VETERANS AND EMPLOYEES



711 CLUB NEWSLETTER

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From the President

Bee Kind Everyone,

So the February 711 Club meeting is in the books. It was held on Valentine's Day so belated Happy Valentine's Day to you all.

If you weren't able to join us we had a great meeting. Rick Aromondo came to his first meeting, having joined 711 Club a short time ago. It was great to see him there. I was also informed of another new member, William Powell. Welcome!

Our guest speaker was retired Sergeant Steve Hayes. Steve is a beekeeper by hobby and he runs the beekeeping jail industries program for female inmates at R3C (Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center). He told us his program is the only beekeeping program of its kind in the entire state of California.

We also learned Ernie Buda was a beekeeper and past-President of the Beekeepers Association. Who knew?!?

Our next meeting of the 711 Club is Wednesday, March 13, 2024. Our speaker will be Retired Deputy Mike Cravens, K9 at the airport. Please join us if you can. Phone up an old friend who you keep meaning to call, invite them along and maybe offer to give them a ride.

**Until then, bee safe and bee well ;)
Sue Johnson**

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2023

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New Members

Meeting Minutes

711 CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Date: February 13, 2024 Location: SCDSA Office

Meeting was called to order by Sue Johnson @ 12:01p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Blessing by Sue Johnson

The following Officers and Board Members were present:

NP President JoAnn Lee

X Shari Daily

X V President Darrin Hashisaka

X Larry Ortiz

X Treasurer Kathy Shannon

NP Jerry Jarrett

X Secretary Nancy Gust

NP Barbara Smith

X Sgt at Arms Earl Evans

NP Scott Swain

NP Past President Sandy Boyd-Pierce

X Sue Johnson

General Members Present: 29 Guests: 1 New Members: William Powell

Speaker: Steve Hays - Bee Keeping Program at RCCC

A proposal was floated in 2016 about the program. It was not approved as a concept until 2018 when Jim Barnes was the Captain. It started in 2020. It is one of two programs for female inmates and the only female program in the state of California. 4 student have been through the program with only 6 making it through all five levels.

The goal of the program is to reduce the recidivism rate. Not a lot of honey is produced because it takes 10 acres of flowers to feed one hive. RCCC has 10 hives. What is produced goes back to RCCC.

There has been some positive press by a local news station and an article in the Farm Bureau magazine.

They are working on connections to promote commercial opportunities.

There are over 400 species of bees. The bees are looked at once a week to see if they need feeding or medicating. Bees can forage out 3-4 miles and then return to their hives.

Sunshine Report: Al Chidester is in the hospital after a fall with a neck injury.

Treasurer's Report: On file with the Treasurer.

Secretary's Report: Minutes on file and printed in Newsletter.

Old Business: None

New Business:

2nd Annual Mike Garcia Jr Golf Tournament will be April 26, 2024, in Nicholas, CA. same as last year.

Mike Garcia is also hosting a golf trip to Reno on June 29 & 30, 2024. More details to come.

Meeting adjourned at 1:11p.m.

Free lunches for March were won by Nancy Gust, Earl Evans and Kathy Sundin.

Next meeting" March 16, 2024, at DSA Offices

Minutes submitted by Nancy Gust, Secretary

Next Meeting - March 13, 2024

SCDSA Office
640 Bercut Drive
11:00 AM Social hour
12 Noon Lunch
Followed by raffle
RSVP By: March 6, 2024
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