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**ATTENDEES:**  Suzanne "Sam" Martinez, Petra Croneigh, John Croneigh, Nancy Shepherdson, Subbarao Mandavilli, Doug Ahlgrim, Joe Janicki, Eric Corzine, Ted Huelsman, Kera Radke, George Young, Appaji Valavala, John Casper, Larry Ginsberg, and Barbara Barker.

**GUESTS:** Lauren Rosenthal, transferred from Carpentersville morning Club and Norbert Lieblang. Norb is a financial planner and is possibly interested in membership.

**MEETING MINUTES:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Sam Martinez, President. The Four-Way Test was recited followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. This is the second Hybrid meeting: in-person and via Zoom from the Lake Zurich Family Martial Arts studio.

**TODAY - THOUGHT OF THE DAY:**

Unity is strength…when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.

Mattie Stepanek

**ROTARY MOMENT:**

Sam said in the interest of time, we would hold off on a Rotary Moment at this board meeting.

**MEMBER ROTARY MOMENT:**

Sam touched on the six areas of focus for Rotary: Basic education and literacy, Maternal child health, Peace and conflict prevention/resolution, Disease prevention and treatment, Water, sanitation and hygiene, Community and economic development, Support the environment. John Casper will be discussing later the role that Lake Zurich Rotary will be supporting in these six areas of focus. He has signed up for an education program on the Foundation and will be giving a more in depth presentation next month.

**ROTARY SARGENT OF ARMS:**

Sam is asking for someone to step up to be the Sargent of Arms for our Club. The role includes welcoming guests, records, is aware of which Rotarian invited a guest(s), as the Rotarian will provide the intro welcome. Also assists with room setup, check-in for additional needs for the meeting. George Young is considering the Sargent of Arms position.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

\* Updates:

a. Farmer's Market: Sign-ups still needed. Consider volunteering for this summer event.

b. Lake Zurich Chamber Taste of the Towns: Scheduled for August 15th.

c. Food Pantry is open: Nancy reported that based on the email survey, that the last Thursday of the

month works best for members of the Club. Starting later this month, the book give away

will resume at St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. This program helps literacy by providing children's

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books in English and Spanish plus cookbooks for adults. The District provides a matching grant for

us to participate. Because of COVID 19, we have been unable to participate in the last 18 months.

d. Kidpower India: John Croneigh is working with the girl's school to do another presentation. Manasu

Girl Children Home started in 2007 and is the only exclusive girl care center in Visakhapatnam.

Manasu provides a safe and secure place for orphans and highly vulnerable girls. The children that

stay in the home go to different schools and some even attend college. The median age of a girl

Is 10 years old.

Manasu means "heart" in Telugu. The main aim is to empower children and teenagers against all

forms of exploitation or abuse and to protect child rights and basic rights guaranteed under

Indian constitution and various laws. Kidpower's main activities include child safely trainings, girl

scholarships, slum adaptation program and Manasu girl children home.

The role our club could consider is sponsoring a girl(s) or helping to purchase supplies they may

need. On June 1, 2020, the director, Praveen Vempadapu told us about the school and via Zoom,

we were able to meet the girls. There are currently 15 girls at the school. The cost is $300 per girl

per year.

John was able to reach Praveen and they are able to do a presentation at our next Rotary meeting

on August 23rd. In India, the earliest they could do the meeting is at 6:00 a.m. That would be

8:00 p.m. in Illinois. Sam is sending out an email to see if our club can meet at 7:00 p.m. to conduct

the business portion of the meeting followed by the school's presentation. Nancy will send out

the agenda later this month confirming dates and times.

John suggested a fundraiser, such as a rib fest to raise money for the girl school. The event could

be held at the Fire House in Lake Zurich. The goal would be to keep the event low-key to see how

it goes. We could possibly tie into a musical venue, as well.

e. Oktoberfest: Petra Croneigh gave an update from the latest committee meeting she attended.

The event will be October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd at Buffalo Creek Brewery in Long Grove. Petra noted

there will be a raffle. One ticket for $10, three tickets for $20, 20 for $100. Each member will

be asked to sell a minimum of $250 in tickets. Cash prizes include: one for $1500, one for $500,

one for $200 and three for $100. The raffle is our biggest fundraiser. Our club will be responsible

for $1250 of expenses. The more tickets we sell in advance of October 1st, we can then keep

100% of the proceeds. An App will be available to purchase tickets. It will not be necessary for

the winner to be present. Members will also be asked to volunteer at the event. A sign-up genius

will be sent out for volunteers to sign-up to help with the children and adult games. This is a great

way for Rotary to get publicity, get new members, and raise money.

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Ticket sales will be in the next week or two. Petra will help get out the tickets to the members. We

could look into corporate sponsorship. The next planning meeting will be held at 5 p.m. on

August 10th at La Parroquia Mexican restaurant on Ela and Rt22. Any questions, please email Petra.

e. Lake Zurich Chamber event: The event will be on Sunday, August 15th. This is a fundraiser.

**BOARD MEETING REPORTS:**

\* President's Report: Sam Martinez thanked Mike Rein for hosting the installation. Sam stated she

contributed to the cost of the event. Sam thanked Petra for her leadership for the past two years. She

also was given a Paul Harris Award for all her hard work as President.

Sam also extended a warm thank you to Kera and Ted from Lake Zurich Family Martial Arts

for hosting our meetings, both in-person and via Zoom. The meeting are planned for the 1st and 3rd

Monday of the month.

Sam announced she would not be available on the 16th of August and asked for a show of hands

who would not be able to attend. Given a number of the committee members could not attend, a

decision was made to move the meeting to the following Monday, August 23rd. The agenda will be

emailed noting the change in date and time.

\* Foundation and Polio Report: John Casper is attending the educational meeting on the Foundation.

A report will be presented next month.

\* Financial Report: Dale Perrin was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Our spread sheets and

balances will be emailed later this month.

\* Membership Report: Nancy Shepherdson reported that we have gained seven new members since

winter. She is receiving referrals from membership leads. Nancy is working on a more diverse

membership including gender, age and ethnicity. She encourages each member to invite your friends

and associates to a meeting and to consider membership to this service club.

\* International Service Report: Eric Corzine stated there are currently no new updates. Eric and Sam

will be attending the Academy training. August 15th is the deadline to sign up.

\* Club Service Report and Satellite: Petra Croneigh chair of the Satellite Club noted that currently the

satellite meeting is being held at the LZFMA studio. We are doing a hybrid in-person meeting

that also includes Zoom.

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\* Interact/Youth Service Report: Beth Slaughter was unable to attend tonight's meeting. An

update will be given at the next meet.

\* Club Programs: Nancy Shepherdson gets the speakers. If you have a suggestion for a presentation or

a potential speaker, please let Nancy know. The presenter cannot promote their business; it should be

more explanatory that provides useful information.

\* Micro-Loans: Larry Ginsberg did not have anything new to report. In the past, the Lake Zurich

Rotary Club gave FEMA a $1000. We can look at doing this in the future.

**BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT:** Sam announced she will be highlighting a local business at each meeting. Tonight, she chose our host, Lake Zurich Family Martial Arts. They will be holding a school supply drive. Any items, such as facial tissue, sanitizing wipes or hand sanitizer, may be dropped off at the studio. There will be a Blood Drive on August 21st. An Open House will be held on September 18th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is a free event and is open to the public. There will be events for kids, a bounce house, and booths available to promote your business and/or Rotary. More information will be provided or feel free to visit their website: www.LAFMA.com or call: (847) 726-2278.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m. The next meeting will be held at Lake Zurich Family Martial Arts on August 23rd at 7:00 p.m. At 8:00 p.m. we will be hearing the presentation by KidPower India. You may attend in person or via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Y. Barker

Secretary