



Weekly Club Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: January 24, 2018

Overall Comments:

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Meeting Details:

- The honorable and infamous Pres. **Bill Klien** called the meeting to order promptly around 7:30-ish or so...
- **Keith Sjoquist**, quoting John Wesley, gave a brief and inspiring reflection
- Led by our incoming DG and just ahead of their soon-to-be-announced (and yet to be scheduled) SuperBowl performance "Russ and the Rooters" led the club in the singing of the 4-way test.

President's Comments and General Meeting Announcements:

- **Jewelie Grape** led the induction of 2 new members Welcome to **Ann Hustad** and to **Steve Morris**!
- "Wild Bill" Klein also reminded members of the up-coming Mid-term Assembly this Saturday.
- Incoming Pres **Brock Ray** shared a video preview of the District Convention coming in May at the Guthrie Theater!

Vocational/Happy Bucks:

• **Doug Schmitt** spontaneously shook down the club for a series of good stories and contributions – Doug did not contribute paper money of his own.

Program/Speaker:

Katie Lindenfelser – Crescent Cove – 2017 Rotary Hope Award Winner

Crescent Cove, located on the shores of Twin Lake in Brooklyn Center MN, is only the 3rd children's hospice facility to be licensed in the entire US! Their mission is, "To provide care to children and young adults with shortened life expectancies, and the families who love them." The goal of their programs is to provide both palliative care and 24 hr hospice care for the entire family – not only children with illness but also the family members around them – parents exhausted by the demands of caregiving and work, siblings who feel left out because the sick kids gets all the attention, etc. Crescent Cove intends to augment the Home they'll provide with

Services that support all members of the family unit, and also Advocacy for those who need more supports.

COLRC Member Jeff Meacham told his personal story of how Crescent Cove has been involved with his grandson who is facing Muscular Dystrophy. Jeff described Crescent Cove as, "a magical place of welcome" while affirming Katie's true and selfless sense of calling and mission to make Crescent Cove a reality.

Today, Crescent cove is experiencing exponential growth and will have an operating budget of approximately \$2 million for 2018. They are on the verge of even more growth and expansion.

Next Week's Program:

• Kimberly Motes – Children's Theater

The meeting was adjourned with a ring of the bell by CrazyMan Klien at 8:30am Reporter: Jim Vos