**Pinion from The Rotary Club of Bernardsville**

**12 July 2016**

President Al offered the prayer – remain mindful of ways to serve and do good.

Sixteen attended, including Ravi Anna from Park Ridge Rotary Club.

 President Al won the 50/50

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***Rotary’s Four-Way Test***

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Visit our club web site. [http://www.bernardsvillerotary.org](http://www.bernardsvillerotary.org/)

**President Al’s remarks and updates**

Allan introduced our guest, Ravi Anna. Ravi works for KPMG,’s Informational Technology area and lives in The Hills. His mom and dad are both Rotarians and Ravi was a Rotary Exchange Student. Ravi and his wife have twin eight-year old boys, Talush and Tanvin. Ravi was the guest of Rosemary and Al.

Rotary has a Breakfast Mingle this Saturday in Hibernia. See web site. <http://www.rotarydistrict7470.org/>

Al invited us to share thoughts about the Car Show. We began with applause for the idea and the planning and execution.

CAR SHOW leadership team

Set up Al Swider and John Carpenter

Parking Justin Lynch

Registration Cheryl Delgado and Rosemary Goodman

Food Allan Lynn

50/50 money Brad Jenkins

50/50 sales Tim O’Donovan

Car judges Dave Reiley

***Operations review* Set up** Coordination with Township was good, yet we didn’t know about volunteers from township team; so need more upfront info. Not clear concert goers could have used swim pool parking spaces. Attendance was lower than predicted by township. Some concern noted that publicity was insufficient. However we had 10 ground-mounted signs at strategic locations; Bve News had fine article the week before. Information was also on some of the local social media. One member noted that the Y sent an email to its members. Fios 12 was invited but did not show up to televise the show.

 **Parkin**g Need four people on parking team duty at all times. Young teen volunteers from Township were most helpful. Discussed where we could have parked more show cars. Only a few car drivers offered concern about the ‘water over the grate’ as it splashed the undercarriage. Needed about six more handicapped parking spaces, as car show used six of them.

 **Registration** About 30 carspreregistered. Having a separate table for Preregistered and Drive-ins would have moved the process along more quickly. Drivers needed to be told to go to Registration desk to show papers and get dashboard card; not all drivers knew or did this. Could have used better signage to indicate location of Registration

 **Food** Eric and son and Mike were super-cooks. Antonio offered a skilled but minority opinion that sauerkraut and relish should have been offered. Selling meals as package with HG + chips + drink as single price item. Lemonade would have been nice option. Grandchildren runners were very helpful. They could have used wagon to move the heavier drink cartons and ice bags. We needed more coolers. One reached end-of-life and suffered thermal stress fracture and failure later in the day

 **50/50** Sales team walked the crowd and also suggested food and ice cream were available. Could have handed out Rotary image information, focused on local Rotary projects and donations, to buyers who looked to be interested in Rotary. Tim used the food sales line as market place and successfully sold 50/50 tickets there. Sales team could have spent more time on other side of the field working the crowd.

 **Car judges** Judges served in a stress-free environment. One car show guy was tied up at work and did not make it. He was also a trophy sponsor and had intended to bring car wax as a donation. Dave will check on this to see if wax can be offered next year.

 **Timing** We used the first concert in the park as our venue. Township invited us to that night. Some members felt we would have done better if we’d done the 2nd or 3rd concert. 5 July weather turned out beautiful, but early bad weather likely suppressed some interest in going out that afternoon. Some families were away because of July 4 Independence Day. Car guys are used to going out to night shows. Some members felt weekends are better for families. Others said families reserve the time to be together in family groups.

 **Summary** Would like to know how we did financially before making plans for next year. Yet **most members were supportive of doing show again next year**. Kay issues would be: where to host it? Timing w/r concert? How to improve advance information? Any other money-making options – Tshirts? Salt-water taffy? Other? Number of show cars allowed? Sell photos? Have a contribution jar? Have some corporate sponsors for printing a few positive Rotary stories for sale at 50 cents [eliminate polio, safe water to Haiti, educate Nepalese kids, save moms in Burundi, Amerindian projects in AZ/Mexico, …]

Prelim revenue numbers sold 160 hamburgers 🡪 $480

Unofficial and estimated 150 hot dogs 🡪 300

 hundreds ice cream treats 🡪 400

 only a few potato chips 🡪 100

 only a few pies 🡪 50

probably many soda and water 200

 50/50 🡪 350

 Car registration = 30(15) + 30 (20) =1050

 Trophies 2500

 **Total – estimated ~$5400**

 **COSTS not yet known**

**Heard During Happy Dollars I’m happy**

2 x For a quiet summer now that we have done multiple Rotary projects this spring

8 x To have had a successful Car Show To have completed my 39.3 mile Walk for Breast Cancer

2 x To have Ravi as our guest To be here and meet Bernardsville Rotarians

To offer a sad dollar for the passing of my good and strong friend Kevin Stewart. Kevin was a professional fireman, an accomplished Urban Search and Rescue veteran and expert, trainer of many international search teams, a searcher at 9/11, a searcher at Katrina, and a saver of hundreds of lives. He’ll be welcomed in Heaven. <http://obits.nj.com/obituaries/starledger/obituary.aspx?pid=180620860>

4 x To thank Cheryl and Rosemary for efficiently handling Registration and multiple organizational jobs for the Car Show.

3 x To thanks the Car Show Leadership Team for persistence and excellent leadership; we did it.

***The many ways our club and members have volunteered and served***

* **Organized and managed Rotary track meet for 66 years.**
* **Conducted two blood drives with Keller Williams and drew blood to save lives.**
* **Awarded scholarships to seniors at Ridge and Bernards High.**
* **Served as club officer for multiple years.**
* **Awarded prizes to local middle school students.**
* **Selected and invited speakers to club meetings.**
* **Sponsored flags at Field of Honor.**
* **Sold ads for track meet.**
* **Packed food bags at the food cop-op for distribution to needy local citizens and veterans.**
* **Attended and supported Charter Day, Sounds Around Town, and Unity Day.**
* **Catered and cooked for the Farmstead Arts square dance party.**
* **Acted as UN representative from Rotary International.**
* **Funded students to attend UN Day and district leadership camps.**
* **Submitted and gained Rotary grants to buy bedding and toiletries for battered women’s shelter.**
* **Applied and won grant from TRF to build the Giving Garden at the YMCA.**
* **Attacked and defeated polio, over three decades, in dozens of countries. Polio is now extant in only two countries. Fight was by The Rotary Foundation, the UN, and the Melissa and Bill Gates Foundation.**
* **Built nature trail at Matheny School for students to traverse in wheelchairs.**
* **Visited and played with Matheny School students.**
* **Attended other clubs as makeup and exchanged banners.**
* **Distributed and managed Medical Alert units for 120 local residents.**
* **Provided dictionaries to several hundred local third-grade students.**
* **Waded and salvaged rubber ducks for Farmstead Arts fund raiser duck race.**
* **Planted daffodils for Bernards Township beautification committee.**
* **Awarded Rotary citation and Boy Scout portrait to local Eagle Boy Scouts.**
* **Loaned our raffle license [TY Rosemary] to Market Street Mission for their fund-raisers.**
* **Picked up trash from I287 interchanges and will soon clean up trash from our mile of US 202.**
* **Wrote holiday letters to military men and women.**

**Club Updates**

* Remember the **tip** **box** at The Olde Mill Inn for our waitress, Blanca.
* If you do a makeup meeting or attend via E-meeting makeup, let Tim know of your attendance.

Rotary’s purpose is **Doing Good in the World**. Our Mission is to promote world understanding, good will, and peace. Grants are regularly developed and awarded to further the six focus areas:

Peace and conflict resolution Disease prevention and treatment

Maternal and child health Clean water and sanitation

Basic education and literacy Community and economic development

**MEETING ASSIGNMENTS**

 SET-UP  GREETER INVOCATION SGT-AT-ARMS CLEAN UP

JUNE GOODMAN DELGADO DUFFY CARPENTER BERISHA

July Odonovan Lynn L. Jenkins Cross Forbes

August  Goodman Berger Wallace Barisha Burd

Sept Deem Cross B. Jenkins Lynn Duffy

 **Officer Nominations for 2016-2017 year**

President Al Swider

President-Elect Eric Zalis

Vice President John Carpenter

Treasurer Brad Jenkins

Foundation Treasurer Al Olsen

Secretary Tim O’Donovan

Immediate Past-president Cheryl Delgado

Director Terry Berger

Director Bill Deem

Director Rosemary Goodman

**Membership**

We have some prospective members interested in our club. Membership is being emphasized by President Al.

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**Club Officers for 2015-2016 year**

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Director George Burd

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**Bernardsville Rotary’s Service Work in the Works**

* Appear and do the meeting assignments we receive from President Al. Can do better here.
* Help at the Car Show.
* Help with food distribution at God’s Co-op Food Pantry. Doing this at 100%.
* We have open nominations for local ‘sweat equity’ service projects. Bring ideas to Board meeting or Club meeting.

**Continuing Business**

* John Carpenter heads the Program Committee; alert John and Al Swider when you find a speaker for our meeting.

**Our club serves**

**Basking Ridge             Bernardsville**

**Far Hills Liberty Corner**

**Peapack-Gladstone**

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