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RI Program Director for Outreach

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Robert Kehr	Mar 07
Marshall Johnson	Mar 10
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Sainted Editor must be terribly insecure. He prowled the room today showing off his poison penning to various victims. **Carrolyn Moebius**, he castigat-



ed as a “one time, sometime, never never” attendee, stealing the phrase from his elder cousin, who used it in reference to the French Republic in a high school essay. (It earned him condemnation as a plagiarist until they gave him a new topic and locked him in a room to write a new essay, which he completed brilliantly.) But when it came to his praise of **Marco Solano**, he approached “Marco” from the rear only to discover that his target was **Paul Hernandez!** He covered his embarrassment by noting that Paul was sitting where Marco sat. It doesn’t pay to be insecure.

He Who Shall Be Named Joe opened the festivities at 12:13, taking the Invocation for himself but permitting **Robert Reed** to lead us in the Pledge.

Rick Horne, substituting for an AWOL **Hayden Padgett**, encouraged **Randy Brodhead** to introduce daughter, **Kristen** “from Toronto, which is closer that Dubai, where she used to live!”



Rick then introduced **X. Shankar**, where X, the unknown in Algebra, stands for “Sainted Editor-doesn’t-know.” Shankar hails from the Rotary Club of Bombay Mahakali Heights in Mumbai. Naturally, that’s the “best club” in the City. Last year, Mahakali has performed 164 projects! That’s “one every two days.” They include COVID masks turned into a school competition, free medical checkups, dental hygiene, repairing a school for autistic children (with 3 other clubs), artificial limbs, and 159 others! After that litany, Shankar exchanged flags with Rick and **Joe**.



Joe thanked Carrolyn for a “good job” chairing last week’s meeting. She related a cautionary anecdote about her daughter receiving an illiterate note on her car’s windshield in Willow Bend’s parking lot, begging for a call. **Janis Allman** admitted receiving two! **Johnny Lewis** proudly proclaimed not to have received any.



Janis then distributed the contents of an ancient Rotary Basic Library she picked up at a garage sale. It has volumes for everything from youth activities to international service, and she's hoping to find a contemporary version.



Paul Hernandez outlined our next Rotary Social Event: a trip to witness a **TEXAS LEGENDS** basketball game on 4/2 at 8:30 for a mere \$10 ticket. We were to RSVP by next (last, as you read this) Monday. The

LEGENDS are the **MAVERICKS'** minor league team.

John Caldwell distributed certificates "*suitable for framing*" to the winners of the 4-Way Test Speech Contest in their classrooms at JJ Pearce and Liberty HS. He congratulated them, handed out checks, took selfies, and invited them to return next year. **Janelle Twyford-Silvis** wanted photos for our web page, but John's iPhone was acting up, so he offered to "airdrop" them to Sainted Editor then forgot.



Porcha Maten said her Interact's fundraising will go for a "take one, leave one" mini-library book drop in the vicinity of the school. And next Friday the Academy will host a "*Pie-in-the-Face*" raffle where students buy chances to pie their "favorite" teacher.

John Caldwell told us of the receipt of a **\$3K** grant from 5810 in "*the next few days.*"

Johnny Lewis spoke of the 12 campers + 6 alternates chosen by Plano, Sunrise, and West

Rotaries to attend RYLA this year **IN PERSON**. One "*hiccup*" involved the absence of ANY vans on **Ray Huffines'** lot to transport the kiddoes. So he's inquiring about 6-person vans available on 5/29 in the afternoon. **Nancy Humprey** prompted him with an innocent "*bat, bat*" question: "*What do they DO at RYLA?*" The answer was pretty much what they want, since the kids create the activities under adult supervision. They "*sing, dance, run, and get sunburned.*" They're up at 6 am for calisthenics. Other than that, "*I don't.*"



Sainted Editor and PSO Vice President arose to offer a **\$5** brag on Robert Reed, whom the PSO has "*trained so well*" that he's been offered the Executive Directorship of the Madison (WI) Symphony Orchestra. Stunned by the unexpected announcement, Robert admitted to flying the coop for over twice his current salary! Rick Horne cautioned him about Wisconsin weather, and Robert said "*my people don't do cold.*" He'll be in Plano until June. He received congratulations from all and sweetened the pot by **\$20**.

Nancy offered another brag on the PISD Trustees who have just offered the Superintendentship to **Dr. Theresa Wilson**. She "*is not yet a Rotarian,*" but Nancy will work on that.

President-Elect, Program and Social Media Director, and All-Around Bundle of Energy, Janelle, announced our first-ever BBQ. (So, no one remembers the fish-fry at Haggard Park where Plano Rotary dumped the remnants in the pond? They can't swim if fried.) Janelle reminded us that the pro-



ceeds (if any) go for “education.” Then event will be sponsored by HEB and Signs by Tomorrow among others. PPD was reportedly “*fired up*” to stomp PFD (but then failed to *show up!*). And PFD was “*confident*” of victory (and won by default). Their trophy was a “*great big cutting board*,” only appropriate for a grilling competition. Councilman **Rick Grady** volunteered to make the presentation. Johnny Lewis cautioned Rick not to “*wear a suit*” to a BBQ. Paul Hernandez will provide the raffle item, a Smoker Grill for BBQ; tickets cost \$20. And Janelle has 500 tickets!! Our booth will serve a \$15 BBQ dinner with “*beans, a roll, and cookies*.” Water & soda will be for sale as will our BBQ Cookbook.

It being the first time Forever Texas Fest is being mounted, the COP can only estimate at-

tendance at 2K-10K! And Janelle has bought \$2K worth of brisket, just in case. (Please avoid the pond for leftovers.) She chooses the meat “*by the way it flops!*” Really floppy meat is really fatty.

Joe noted that while the Plano Fire Department is staffing its booth, its tip proceeds go the Plano Fire Association. Nancy noted that their tips go to the association whereas our proceeds stay with us. And the Interact kids will get a cut. **Joe** noted that Saturday is scheduled to be “*a beautiful day*” with temperatures of 84°.

John Caldwell asked where to park and was told the justice lot, the police lot, or Courtyard Theater. Volunteers will wear our Rotary badges. Janelle has nametags. **Sara Akers** mischievously noted that there’ll be “*whiskey tastings*” at the Saigling House.

Mike McCormack suggested all volunteers wear the same color. John Caldwell said, “*If you wear fuchsia, we’ll still use ya.*” Robert Reed judged that remark to be worthy of a fine bucket contribution.

Janelle concluded by saying that there’ll be “*16 additional recipes in the next printing*” of our cookbook. (So, planned obsolescence?)

Joe cautioned Board members to stay for a meeting, led us in the 5-Way Test and belled us out at 1:02.



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