**The Cog**

**Rotary Club of Harwich-Dennis**

**October 23, 2014**

President Tony opened the meeting (17 members present) with the Pledge.

“God Bless America” was sung and Phil Baroni gave the invocation.

Guests: Howard Kendall - Yarmouth

Happy Anniversary to Tony Quinn (October 25th)

No Birthdays

Announcements:

Tony Thank you to everybody who participated in the Scallop Festival

Andy Slower than usual – everybody had fun

Jim H. Served about 380 meals (average around 400)

Glenn Masquerade Ball 9 days away – 240 people attending – 10 tickets available – selling

thru 11/3 – Raffle changed from BMW to 50/50 (winner gets about $10,000 before tax)

Tony Paul Harris Fellow Foundation Dinner on 11/13

Christmas Party on Friday 12/5 at Dennis Inn

Paul NSTAR expected to hike rates – Viridian guarantees $ 0.1199 for 3 years

Sign up before 10/31 Club gets $25 for new meters

Happy/Sad bucks:

Jim H. Mother-in law happy to win raffle prize at Scallop Festival

Jim and Debbie happy too

Happy to have Charlie, Harry and Annabelle at the Scallop Festival

Usama Condolences to Howard Kendall on the passing of his parents

Happy that the International project funds have been released

Happy for a successful Scallop Festival

Bill Happy his facial scar is clear – Scallop Festival successful

Sad to miss Scallop Festival due to family funeral

Trish Happy for all the raffle donations and to end sending solicitation e-mails

Sad for anyone who drove in the storm on Wednesday

Jim H. Happy that everyone who came to the Scallop Festival was happy when they

came and when they left – A lot of “good will” was created

John C. Happy second son proposed to his girlfriend and now has two weddings next year

Juan “Be somebody who always makes everyone feel like a somebody”

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**Dan Chamberlain introduced Guest Speaker Judy Scarafile - President**

**Cape Cod Baseball League since 1991**

When asked, the members indicated that all had heard of the Cape Cod Baseball League but only four had recently attended games. Judy said that each team had a home field and that the Cotuit field was recently renovated at a cost of $600,000. There are 10 teams in 10 towns. She said that each team is responsible to recruit their players starting in September for the next year. Players from 125 different colleges are represented.

The mission of the league is to help players develop and grow. The players live with host families and pay room and board ranging from $50 to $100 per week. Brad Boyd has previously been a host family.

The league play begins in early June and ends in Mid-September. Usually temporary players are needed early in June to play until the college recruits arrive. She said that there are few recruits from the local area although many good players live on the Cape and in New England.

Judy said that coaches, staff and umpires are paid. Everyone else is a volunteer. There is no work requirement now, but some players who need to earn money take paid jobs working in 2 or 3 clinics each week. There is no living allowance provided to players. This year there are 277 players who previously in the Cape League playing in major league baseball.

She said that the League’s annual budget is $600,000 and each of the 10 teams budget between

$ 150,000 and $ 200,000 annually.. Major League makes a contribution to the league. Some team names have been changed due to copyright protections although none were required to. She indicated that the media did not correctly report the story at the time.

Judy said that there are about 10 Cape League alumni playing in this year’s World Series.

She also informed us of the Cape Cod League Hall of Fame that is located on the lower level at the JFK Museum in Hyannis. There is a Hall of Fame induction ceremony this year on November 15th. There will not be one next year.

Door Prize was donated by: Bob Brodeur and won by Tom Perino

50/50 raffle was won by Andy Murphy - $20 and no ace drawn

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