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Rotary Club of Harwich-Dennis - August 7, 2014

President Tony Quinn began the meeting at 7:00 a.m. **Phil Baroni** led the morning prayer.

ANNIVERSARY: Rick Hawes (August 5)

VISITORS: John Cook (Yarmouth Rotary) and **Mark Amberg** (Alexandria, Virginia Rotary).

TODAY'S MEETING IS A CLUB ASSEMBLY...

Trish Graham (Community Needs):

- Fill A Back Pack - An organization run by Holly Demers of Dennis that provides a back pack full of essential items for children in need at local schools. Dennis-Harwich donated \$500 and persuaded Yarmouth Rotary to do the same.
- \$200 for gas money was provided to a family whose son is receiving treatment at a Boston hospital. Recommended by Tom Perrino.
- \$500 to Harwich Junior Theatre.
- Village Improvement Society's fundraising campaign to purchase equipment for the decaying playground in Dennis Village. An effort was made to obtain funds from the District but was denied, as funds were used up for clean water programs. This issue will be brought before the Board of Directors with a request for a \$1,000 donation.
- \$200 for a special needs camp tuition.

Tony Quinn (Presidential Comments):

- Tony indicated that he is planning to keep all committees and members basically the same, as it seems to be working well.
- It's time for others to step up to organize and run the golf tournament as Anthony and Rob have done it for a long time (and done an amazing job at that).
- Million \$ Meals - Suggestions were made as to where we could have these gatherings. Andy volunteered the Lost Dog Pub. Other locales might be "the beach" and Marc Amidon's garage. More info as it develops.

Howard Kelly (Finance Wizard):

- Collection of fees: Howard suggested rather than collecting dues and Million \$ Meal fees separately, that two payments of \$125.00 each be paid (1 in summer and 1 in winter) to cover all member fees. Discussion ensued and all agreed that this would be a good thing and will save Howard a lot of paperwork. Board of Directors will consider this.
- Grumpy's breakfast charges: It was revealed that the \$8 and \$15 costs for breakfast were not enough to cover the bill. Those in attendance agreed that the costs should be raised to \$10 and \$20 (I think). Board of Directors will consider this.

HAPPY BUCKS:

- **Usama El Sehrauey** - Let's make this quick.
- **John Cook** - Exchange student from Finland arriving.
- **Barbara Amidon** - Proud of older sister who completed Pan Mass Challenge.
- **Paul Anastasio** - Nephew graduated and is off to Paraguay (South America).
- **Trish Graham** - Last grandchild has left. Phew!
- **John Ciborowski** - The name is "John" not "Jim". Next week: how to pronounce last name.
- **Juan Donlin** - Something about getting older. Sorry, didn't catch that - getting older.

DRAWINGS:

The door prize was donated by **Jim Plath** and won by **Juan Donlin**.

The raffle was won by **Bob Brodeur** who didn't draw the magic card.

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