



Feb 15, 2017

Happy bucks: Hise, Reynolds

Guests: Gail Morton, Rachel LaCasse-Ford

Students, Jusa Okazaki, Cecilia Hook

Absent Members: Burns, D., Halverson, Helvey, Helwig, C., Kopras, Lookabaugh, Orzechowski, Rux, Salerno, Walton, Webber, Wedig, Witte

ACTION ITEM:

Adrienne Paske nominated for membership. Motion made by Kennicker, Seconded by Yauchler, Passed unanimously

Shawn reminded us of the District Conference in LaCrosse, May 12-14 and the International Conference in Atlanta, June 10-14. Shawn is going!

Judy announced that we will be getting a male student from Nigeria for 2017-18. We need at least one host family to step up within the next 30 days. If you are interested, let Judy know.

The Youth committee interviewed students for Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA). Two students were chosen.

Speaker: Mark Rooney and Gail Morten made a presentation about their recent Safari. They showed wonderful pictures; the first were from from Botswana. Seasonally, they were there at the start of the spring. Many creatures were gathering at a watering hole. They saw lions that were relaxing after a big meal so the other animals were not fearful. We saw shots of vultures, wildebeests, elephants, springboks, giraffes and lions among others at the watering hole. They traveled with Gail's coworkers, who planned the trip. Their guide spoke five languages. They stayed at Planet Baobab while in Botswana and had Wi-Fi in most of the placed they stayed. The outfit they travelled with was Rhino Safaris. Night noises included lion roars. The food was great accompanied by terrific African Wines. We saw pictures of more animals including hyena, Hippos, leopards, zebra, kudu herons, & merecats; The weather was so dry that they didn't have to worry about mosquitos. Mark is quite a birder and enjoyed seeing many colorful species. Visitors in camp included elephants baboons and monkeys. Life was nice, afternoon tea included gin & tonic. Accommodations were first class. They ravelled to Zimbabwe as well and spent time at Victoria Falls.



Up Coming Events

- March 1, Business Meeting
Board Meeting at 7am Sjolinds'
- March 8, Berg
- March 15, Bohl
- March 22, Bollig
- March 29, Witte

