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103 Members

NEXT WEEK

DEC. 15, 2016 **Martha & Bill Benedict**
Breathe and Heal

IN THE WINGS

DEC. 21, 2016
Holiday Party at the Country Club

SPECIAL NOTE

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR

THERE WILL BE A DINNER MEETING FOR ALL MEMBERS WITH THE VISITING ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNORS ELECT AT THE RADISSON HOTEL AT 6:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017. THE USUAL THURSDAY LUNCHEON MEETING ON JANUARY 12, 2017 IS CANCELLED. PLEASE COME AND BRING YOUR SPOUSE.

THIS WEEK

The meeting was held in the Carter Room of the Radisson. President and **King Bill Boland** presided. **Jim Hudson** performed his usual delightful service for the members by playing

the piano. **Pauline Emery** gave the invocation, reading a poem of thanks for the beauty of the wild. **King Bill** recognized and thanked those helping with the meeting, including the Greeter, **Ted Goldwyn**, the photographer, **Dick Perry**, and the scribe, **Tom O'Brien**

GUESTS

King Bill asked **Ted Goldwyn** to introduce the guests and their hosts. **Elijah Baity** introduced his wife, Gail, and the Program Speaker, Dee Reid. **Jan Harvey** introduced Interact students, Ada and Megha; **Ted Goldwyn** introduced Stacy Ward; and **John Brown** introduced Marraine Kettell, pastor of the First Church of Christ on Pulteney Street in Corning.

PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS

King Bill noted that two cards were being circulated: a get-well card for **Rick Davis**, who is recuperating from an operation; and a sympathy card to **Wanda Rivera**, who recently traveled to Puerto Rico to help take care of her mother.

Stu Sammis thanked the "ding-a-ling" Red Kettle Crew of **Dave Anderson, Fr. Lew Brown, John Sands and Ernie Danforth** for their charitable service on Market Street.



King Bill then asked Marraine Kettell to report on her business. Marraine reported that **Dick**



Perry is retiring as the music director of her church (the First Church of Christ), after 43 years on the job. She noted that **Dick's** tenure as music director started the year she

was born. Marraine offered to elaborate on **Dick's** accomplishments, but **Bill** threatened to fine her if she did.

King Bill announced that he would give selected members (i.e., selected by him) the opportunity to report on good things happening to them for a modest fine. He started with **Jan Harvey**, who reported that



she did not have an accident in the snowfall the previous Tuesday. She started on additional miraculous events, but the fine was prohibitive.

Ross Perry reported on his careers in Corning, starting in 1957 as a teacher and later as a principal for 30 years, helping troubled boys at the New Life Farm, and delivering auto parts. Some of his current customers were former students of his.



Les Rosenbloom reported that his daughter had recently bought a house in Colorado; and he plans to visit her there often.

Dick Pope reported that he had received a remarkable, if not miraculous, recovery from a recent fall. He also reported that Jackie received prompt and effective treatment from a dangerous reaction to hair dye. A number of members wanted the name of the doctor.

Tony Spycher was a bit more cautious than others. He asked first "what have you heard about me." After some reassurance, he reported that his grandson was recognized recently for his exceptional intelligence.

Ellen Kreopolides reported that no one can pronounce her name; and she asked that the club impose a one dollar fine for each mispronounced syllable. Having gotten that off her mind, she reported that her seven-year old grand daughter has been selected to perform Irish dances on the stage in Boston.

Charlie Tyo reported that his wife and grand children had finally resolved their dispute over which sides of their ginger bread houses would face the wall. Thank goodness that is resolved.

Dick Puccio reported that Joyce Nelson of the Kiwanis Club was coming over to collect her winnings from the bet they made on the Michigan/ Ohio State football game. Joyce refrained from rubbing it in, and said she would donate her winnings to the Salvation Army.

LUCAS' TIME

Lucas reported that he went with **Bill Boland** and others to the Rotary Eastern event last week; and that when he gets tired, he talks a lot. King Bill confirmed that Lucas was quite tired during the trip.



PROGRAM

Elijah Baity introduced Dee Reed as the program speaker; and she spoke on the subject of Heels & Hobos—her store on Market Street where she sells women's shoes and handbags. Who would have thought that the



Rotary Club would schedule a talk on women's shoes and handbags? But they did; and Dee blew their socks off.

Her message was that passion and enthusiasm sell. At least they could sell to this group, including those who wouldn't put on women's shoes or carry a handbag if you paid them. Dee obviously loves women's shoes and handbags. She and her husband took a great

leap of faith and courage when she left her prior job of selling pharmaceuticals to doctors who couldn't be bothered, to open a store for customers who love her product.

Where did the name, "Heels & Hobos," come from? Heels are a part of women's shoes; but Dee could (and did) tell you what is important in women's heels, and what is good and what is bad. She could describe the rest of a women's shoe as well.



"Hobos" are not bums on a train. They are a class of handbags with their own special features. The name, Heels & Hobos, brings customers into the store to ask what the name means. What do you get when you go into the store? Service from someone who loves the product and who knows more about what you need than you do. The members asked questions until the time was up—because they liked to hear Dee talk. Eventually, **King Bill** had to stop the meeting. Great talk!

ERRATA

Bill Plummer corrected last week's Cogs: he was spared the \$2 Birthday Table fine, not because it was his wedding anniversary (which it was not); but because it was his wife, Jane's, 94th birthday. Happy Birthday, Jane.

50/50: **John Brown's** table won; but it will have to wait until next week to see if they won the big prize.

Photos: **Dick Perry**

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