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NEXT WEEK

Jan 26, 2017

Ric Meyers
Rotary Mongolian Project

IN THE WINGS

Feb 2, 2017

Pancake Supper

Second Annual Pancake Supper at the American Legion Hall in South Corning, 4 PM to 7 PM
Featuring the Rotary Band

Feb 09, 2017

David Bartone

The Genesis of a Service Culture –
Introduction by Ted Goldwyn

Feb 16, 2017

Holly McGrath

Ethical Jewelry Sourcing - Introduction by Ted Goldwyn

THIS WEEK

The Club met for its regular lunch meeting in the Keuka/Seneca Room of the Corning Radisson. **Gail Hostuttler** greeted us all warmly at the door, and **Jim Hudson** was at his usual place at the piano.



Gail drew double duty today as she was also selling 50/50 tickets. **Dick Perry** was our photographer and **Ernie Danforth** was the Cogs editor.



President King William I rang the bell. The club sang 'My Country tis of Thee', and recited the pledge. **Dave Anderson** gave the invocation and lively conversation took place during lunch.

GUESTS

After lunch **KWI** called upon **Gail Hostuttler** to introduce our guests and visiting Rotarians.

John Brown had a guest, Manula Ocanpo, from Columbia.



Sam Sanfratello introduced his lovely wife, Audrey. **Gail** introduced Vanessa Kelly, an Interact student at the high school.

Bill Plummer had two guests; his wife Jane and his son Rob.



Andy Taylor introduced his guest, Karen Poole. **John Sands** introduced his bride, Eileen, and **Dick Pope** once again introduced Harmony Ayers-Friedlander from the Family Services Society.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As has been the case recently, we had a plethora of announcements. First up was **Buddy Cutler** who was pushing the Pancake Supper on Feb 2nd.



He was pleased to announce that there were 4 sponsors for the supper at this point and he picked up two more before the meeting closed. Please purchase your tickets and sell the raffle tickets, if possible. Note the

Pancake Supper will replace our regular meeting on Thursday, Feb 2nd. Since **Buddy** was late and there were no empty seats at the tables, he was invited to sit at the head table. He was charged \$2 rent for his seat.

Paula Smith had a paid announcement. A benefit for Catholic Charities of Steuben County entitled Toastings and Tastings will take place on Friday Feb 3rd, the day after the Pancake Supper, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Radisson.



The event features wines from around the world and local craft beers! Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.

David Rowe announced that he is collecting auction items for the International Dinner,



Deb Joseph made a pitch for the annual Spelling Bee.

She announced that **Ernie Danforth** had agreed to be the volunteer coordinator.

There will be 29 schools and 58 participants. It will take place on Saturday March 4th at the high school, and she had 3 books written by the Hathwar brothers to be given as prizes.



She also mentioned that the Afterward in the book mentions the support of the Corning Rotary Club.

Tom O'Brien made an announcement that there will be a brief meeting next week (at the Radisson) following the regular club lunch meeting of any members who are interested in supporting the Club's project to develop a hiking, biking, running path along the Chemung River and through the City of Corning. Tom O'Brien will describe the location and nature of the proposed path and start the discussion of how we might proceed.

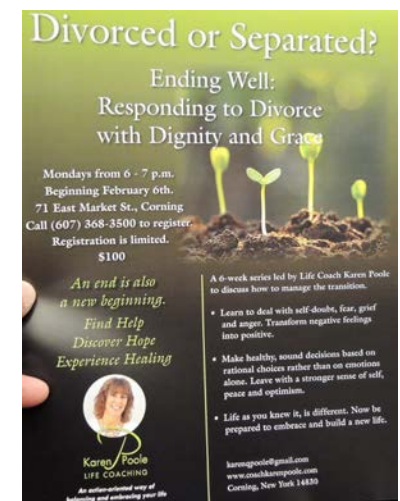
March 11. For your item, he will need three things, name of donor, value of the item and the person responsible.



Francis LaLomia shared a book by Charlie Craig that highlights the visit of the District Governor Elect who visited us from Paraguay. He was very thankful for the opportunity to interact with the DGE, and hopes we can expand the program in the future.

Pauline Emery announced that the Literacy Committee would be handing out books at Winfield School next Wed. It will be a reader's theater presentation and volunteers would be appreciated.

Next up was **Andy Taylor** who turned his time over to his guest, Karen Poole. She announced a 6-week class for Divorced or Separated people beginning Feb 6th from 6 to 7 at 71 East Market St.



Finally, Mike Platt was recognized for becoming the most recent sponsor of the Pancake Supper.

LUCAS' TIME

Lucas had nothing to report on this week, but he is going to Orlando next week. Other than going to Universal/Orlando it was very difficult to determine Lucas' plans. We will find out what happened in February.



PRESIDENT'S TIME

KWI started his time with a story about a pig, which was so bad **Dick Puccio** won't repeat it.

KWI called on **Tony Spycher**. After a few protestations about not picking on a past president, Tony admitted that his interests include rock climbing, Matterhorn, sailing, piloting sailplanes, and designing and building his own house. That cost him \$4.

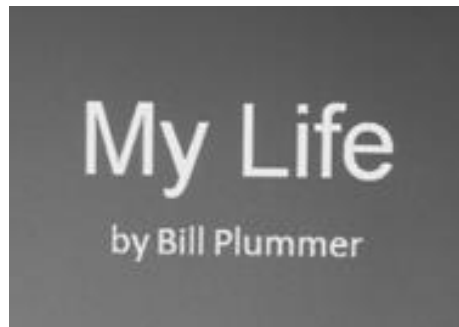
John Brown was asked what the most beautiful places he had visited were. He listed Carmel, California, Brazil, Australia and New Zealand. That admission cost him \$2.

Stacy Ward was asked to reveal the historical figure with whom she would most like to dine. She chose Joan of Arc. It cost her \$2.

Finally, **David Rowe** was asked what profession he would choose if he could choose another profession. David confessed farmer, although there are no prospects of that happening. This cost him \$2 as well.

PROGRAM

Our speaker was our own **Bill Plummer**. The reason for choosing our monthly birthday boy was that Friday January 20th was **Bill's** 90th birthday.



Bill, with the help of his son, Rob, entertained with a series of pictures of his life from the time he was too young to remember to the present day.

He was born in Wilkes-Barre Pa 01/20/1927. He shared that his grandfather came from Nottingham, England and his grandmother from the south of Wales.

Bill shared pictures of beautiful tiered gardens with stonewalls that his father built and tended. It was obvious where his love of gardening originated.

Growing up, **Bill** was active in his church youth group and in scouts. He especially enjoyed the hiking and camping. He even earned the rank of Eagle Scout.



Upon graduation from high school in 1945, **Bill** was immediately drafted into the army. Half way through basic training the war ended. Nevertheless, he was shipped off to Germany where the army had to figure out what to do with him.

The army sent him to typing school and he became a file clerk. It was he and his fellow file clerk who started spelling names backwards. This is how the moniker, Remmulp came into being.



Bill used the army furloughs to visit family in Nottingham and the south of Wales. He used his second furlough to visit Rome.

After the army, he returned to Wilkes-Barre and Wilkes College. This led to further study at the University of Pittsburgh. Where he was able to watch Pirates games and Ralph Kiner and attend lectures from people like Jacques Cousteau.

Bill took us through his life in Corning/Painted Post. This included two wives, Marian who died in 1976 and his current wife Jane, and his sons and grandchildren. He shared pictures of his gardens and of his boats and boating ventures.

Finally, **Bill** discussed some of the projects he most enjoyed while working for Corning, Inc.

At the end of his presentation, his fellow Rotarians serenaded **Bill** with "Happy Birthday".

Congratulations, **Bill** on 90 very fruitful years.

May God bless you with many more.

50/50 Dick Pope's table won the sure prize of \$11, but the big money \$584 is still to be had.

PHOTOS: Dick Perry

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