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Introduction by Nancy Dubendorfer

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THIS WEEK

The Club met for its regular lunch meeting in the Cayuga/Seneca Room of the Corning Radisson. **Ted Goldwyn** greeted us all warmly at the door, and **Jim Hudson** was at his usual place at the piano. While listening to the music the members were treated to a slide show of photos taken at the International Dinner by **Dick Perry**.

Ted 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. **Paul Rossi** delivered the invocation.

GUESTS

After lunch, **KWI** called upon **Ted** to introduce our guests and visiting Rotarians. First of all **Ted** called on **John Brown** who introduced his guest Rashid Gafsi as the husband of the winner of the MacBook computer at the International Dinner. **Ted** then noted that our speaker Deb Talley brought along a guest John Gould from the Bath Rotary Club.



Finally, **Ted** introduced his own guest, **Steve DiVeronica**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wendy Winnett announced that the March Madness Pool was due Saturday, then corrected to today. Entries should be turned in to **Paul Tick** and the winner will receive half of the money collected. The other half will go to Polio Plus. There will also be a prize for the worst pool, but the as far as the actual prize, we will have to wait and see.



Dick Puccio announced that the Corning High School cast of *Les Miserables* will be with us next week for a sneak preview. East High put it on 10 years ago and **Dick** assures us that this will be another stellar production.

Nora Smith encouraged members to train and sign up for the 0.0K race on Friday March 31st at the Corning Library. The money raised from this event will be used to help support the literacy program at Winfield School. **Paula Smith** noted that this event requires no training just eating, drinking and having fun.



LUCAS' TIME

Lucas had a hard time remembering the past week. He finally said he went swimming at the Y and ate brownies. Then he remembered that he is moving to his third host family this weekend. Finally, with some help from **Andy Taylor** he remembered that he is going to Rochester this weekend to go to a trampoline park. He had many ups and downs last week, but not as many as he will have on Sunday.

NEW MEMBER

At this point KWI called upon **Dick Pope** to introduce our newest club member; **Harmony Ayers-Friedlander**. Harmony is the executive director of the Family Services Society and is very connected to the Youth Center. She has enjoyed her time already with the club. Being new to the area, she has met many people already that she most likely would not have otherwise. Welcome, Harmony, we are very pleased to have you with us.



PRESIDENT'S TIME

President KWI used his time today to hear some stories from the members. Each member had been asked to learn two new things about the person sitting to his or her right and share them if called upon. First up was **Gerry Wolfe** who shared two facts that she had learned about **Jeff Ugoretz**. Jeff told **Gerry** about his daughter Kaitlyn who finished both her bachelor's and master's degrees in four years at the University of Pennsylvania and will be started a PhD program at UC Santa Barbara in the fall. Kaitlyn's major is International Studies.

Andy Taylor reported that **Steve Staggs** graduated from the Indiana University and has spent his career as a dentist in Painted Post.



Kelly Copp revealed something about **Gerry Wolfe** and North Carolina, but said it so quickly that this reporters ears could not keep up.

Paula Smith revealed that **Ernie Danforth** has a large baseball card collection including a complete run of Topps cards from 1959 to 1962 and that he attended Adirondack Community College and SUNY Potsdam graduating 20 years after Jim Hudson. She also revealed she had no idea what Topps was.

Dick Puccio reported that yesterday **Dave Anderson** changed his line on his fishing rod and reel. He may change another one tomorrow. Then again, he may not. **Stacy Ward** learned that **Stu Sammis** has three children ages 28, 31, and 33 and is a partner in the Corning ExecuCenter. **Tom O'Brien** revealed that **Andy Taylor** graduated from Towson University and was born in Poughkeepsie. It was obvious that **KWI** was hoping for something more juicy!

Wendy Winnett revealed that **Dick Puccio** went scuba diving while in high school and his first dive was in Keuka Lake in the winter. It is amazing that **Dick** is still around to tell that story.

KWI ended his time with a note that due to his benevolence there had been no fines today, but thanks to **Ellen Kreopolides** the Duck box was back. Anyone who has to leave early can, but will be asked to place \$2 in the box. This announcement raised some rumblings about taxation without representation, but those rumblings were ignored.



PROGRAM

Nancy Dubendorfer introduced our speaker Deb Tally. Deb has lived with diabetes for many years and has spent countless hours sharing her knowledge and experiences with anyone who is interested. For her commitment and hours of service, Deb received a Paul Harris award from the Bath Rotary Club.

Deb explained that she was diagnosed with diabetes in 1959 while still in high school. At that time diabetes was believed to be communicable, and as a result she was forced to miss out on a lot of high activities including her senior trip.



Deb explained how insulin was produced in the 1920's and that the only treatment for diabetes in those days was a starvation diet; one slice of bread per day.

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Deb told us how it was assumed she would die at an early age and she was told she should never have children. She has a daughter who is 44 years old.

Deb talked about how the treatment of diabetes has changed over the years and how diabetes used to be classified as juvenile and adult onset, but those distinctions do not fit any more and they are now classified as type 1 and type 2.



She explained how it is possible now to closely monitor one's diabetes and really improve the diabetes patient's quality of life.

Thank you, Deb, for a very interesting and informative presentation.

50/50 The \$14 prize was won by new member Harmony Ayers-Friedlander, but she left the big pot \$681 on the table.

PHOTOS: Richard Perry