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| Corning Radisson | |
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12:10 p.m. 99 Members

NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, noon, Nov. 20, 2018 Joint meeting with Lions and Kiwanis Clubs at the Corning Radisson

Nov. 22, 2018 (Thanksgiving) No Meeting

IN THE WINGS

Nov. 29, 2018 Chorus of the Finger Lakes Musical Program

THIS WEEK

The meeting was held in the Carder Room. Jim Hudson welcomed members with his music on the piano. Gilles Bertrand was the greeter. Gil Sweet substituted for Jim Webb as the photographer; and Kelly Copp gave the invocation. It was noted that **Scott Bloor** was occupying his old seat as Secretary, in the absence of **Ernie Danforth**. President **Wendy** thanked all those who provided services at the meeting.

MEMBERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS



Gilles Bertrand asked those who brought guests to introduce their guests. Stuart Sammis introduced four guests: the Rev. Scott Lowmaster, J.R. Reid, Lisa Lowmaster and Denis Buckley. Bill

Boland introduced Russell Miller; and **Dick Pop**e introduced Donna Phillips. Somehow, Mike Slovak, the District 7120 District





Governor, got into the meeting more or less unnoticed. After some enlightening comments by **Ted Marks** concerning introductions, Mike was reintroduced as the visiting District Governor.



MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paula Smith

reminded the members of everything she said last week about the Rotary Foundation Sustaining Membership, including how to become a sustaining member and what the



Sustaining Membership does. For those who don't remember, it costs \$100 per year, and it helps millions (among other things). **Paula** has joined the Sustaining Membership, and she urged other members to do so.



Bill Boland noted that one benefit of giving to the Rotary Foundation is that some of the funds come back to the Club through District Simplified Grants. As an example, Bill described a local DSG received by our Club which provided the Corning Youth Center with a renovated kitchen island, table benches for meals, and construction of a work station.

Ted Marks contributed \$40 to the Sustaining Fund in fulfillment of his offer last week to contribute \$1 for each *Edible Finger Lakes* magazine taken home by members.



Stuart Sammis filled in for **Phylis Jensen**, **asking members to help with** the "Time With Santa" program from December 23-26, 2018 and also the Salvation Army's Red Kettle campaign on Dec. 11 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Everyone was happy to see **Hari Sharma** at the meeting after the serious fall he suffered a little over a week ago. **Hari** is living proof that you can't keep a good man down. President **Wendy** called out **Rick Davis**, who is a mere \$63 away from achieving the Paul Harris +2 level.



WENDY'S FUN TIME



Al Lewis' table successfully identified one area of focus for the Rotary Foundation, namely, water and sanitation. However, Al missed naming a second area of focus and thus each member of his table was assessed a one dollar fine.

Paul Rossi's table correctly answered that a Foundation District Grant can be spent on either local or international projects. They also correctly answered that a district grant can be used to cover travel costs of an international project.

Wendy urged members to come to the joint meeting with the Lions and Kiwanis Clubs at noon this Tuesday, Nov. 20 at the Radisson. The Lions Club will run the meeting this year. **Wendy** reminded everyone that there will not be a meeting on Thursday, Nov. 22, 2018, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

PROGRAM

Stuart Sammis introduced the Rev. Scott Lowmaster and J.R. Reid to speak on a program to overcome the epidemic of death and sickness caused by opioids. Scott described statistically and personally the devastation caused by the epidemic; and he



explained how a program which he has developed helps treat the problem. He described his program as a journey in which people learn to support each other. His co-



speaker, J.R. Reid, explained that he was virtually dead five months ago, but that he is now a healthy, contributing person as a result of his journey in the program.

50/50: **AI Lewis'** table won the sure-win prize. The grand prize is still out there.

Photos: **Gil Sweet** TCOB