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101 Members

NEXT WEEK

Thursday, Dec. 6, 2018 Chris Sharkey Tenth Anniversary of the Fund for Women

IN THE WINGS

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018 Holiday Dinner at the Corning Country Club from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Note—there is no regular meeting at the Radisson on Thursday, Dec. 13, 2018.

THIS WEEK



After a crowd scene at the registration counter, **Jim Hudson** signaled the arrival of the Christmas season with strains of White Christmas and other carols on the piano.

Jennifer Ellison welcomed members at the





door and served as collector for fines (with the help of **Chris Theurich**).

Sweet stood in for **Jim Webb** as the photographer. **Tom O'Brien** acted as COGs



scrivener for the day. President **Wendy** opened the meeting by thanking all those who helped with organizing and preparing the luncheon meeting.

MEMBERS, GUESTS AND VISITORS

Jennifer Ellison asked members to introduce guests and visiting Rotarians. Dr. **Bob Cole** introduced Joanne Cole, his wife;



Gail Hostuttler introduced Charlotte Smith;

Paula Smith
introduced Lynda
Lowin; and Jim
Hudson introduced his
son, Michael Hudson.

There were no visiting Rotarians.



stuart Sammis read a lengthy list of names of volunteer bell ringers for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign on Dec. 11, 2018 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. He said there were still a feew empty slots in the schedule for



slots in the schedule for bell ringers, and he asked for volunteers.

Avery Acly suggested that one or more bell-ringers might bring their buckets and bells to the next Rotary meeting.



reminded members that there was still one day left in November (the "Sustaining Membership Month") to become a Sustaining Member. So far this month she has raised \$1,250 for sustaining





memberships. For anyone still interested in contributing, **Paula** said she was prepared to stay all day to 1:30 p.m.

Kelly Copp announced that the Club Christmas party is scheduled for Dec. 12, 2018 from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Corning Country Club. It is important that those intending to go should register in advance to help the Country Club plan the meal. Please note that there is no regular luncheon meeting on Thursday, Dec. 13, 2018 at the Radisson.

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



President **Wendy**reported that a new
directory of members
is being prepared, and
all members should
bring their personal
information up to date.
There were
suggestions that
certain members

should get new pictures.

Dick Perry warned those who do not have pictures he reserves the right to substitute photos of his choosing.



Wendy informed members that she plans to invite visiting District Governors Elect to her and **Peter's** house for a social on Sunday evening, Jan. 6, 2019. She said she would announce further details at a later date.

Wendy said she is looking for a replacement for Wendy Daines, who plans to step down as Treasurer at the end of this Rotary year. Phylis Jensen was planning to take over for Wendy Daines, but Phylis recently had a job change which will take her away from regular Rotary activities in Corning.

Wendy announced that a new member is joining the Club and she asked Bill Boland to introduce him. Bill welcomed Russell Miller and asked him to say a few words about himself. Russell said, among other things, that he and his wife are long-time residents of the Corning area; he has worked for Corning Natural Gas for 26



years; and he is 55 years old. The members gave **Russell** a warm welcome. Finally, **Wendy** recognized a thank you letter from the Rotary District 6940 Foundation thanking the Corning Rotary for a contribution of \$4,000 to support families trying to recover from Hurricane Michael.

GOOD NEWS REPORTS

Wendy asked members to report any good news in their lives (and to pay appropriate fines). Some of the reports are as follows:

- **Dave Anderson** said he and Mamie have been married for 60 years.
- **Rod Noel** said his wife, Melissa, was about to sing to him.

- Ray Defendorf said he was going to sing too, but later.
- **Gail Hostuttler** announced that the YMCA raised \$72,000 in a recent fundraiser.
- **Gerry Wolfe** reported that she has just returned from a river trip in Europe.
- Chris Theurich announced that his son just received the Boy Scout's Eagle Award. His project involved building benches in a number of local parks.

PROGRAM



At **Wendy's** request, Marcia Anthony introduced eight singers from the Chorus of the Finger Lakes who have recently formed a madrigal group which they call the "Mad

Singers."



Rod Noel's wife, Melissa, is one of the singers. Singing in four parts and a cappella (unaccompanied), the group performed approximately ten Christmas madrigals. Their singing was beautiful and appreciated by all.

50/50: **Jan Harvey's** table won the surewin prize. The "big one" is still out there.

Photos: **Gil Sweet TCOB**