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Rotary Club of Naples, NY Lunch meeting, April 30, 2018

This report was written by the secretary's administrative assistant. It's short and perhaps lacks the normal sweetness. Maybe I can get fired.

We pledged led by El Presidente John, and Jack had us give one of our best patriotic efforts, "God Bless America." Jamie was elated and thankful for the weather and our fine Rotary Club in his usual eloquent style and Southern accent, which rings sweet in our ears. (This is getting a little thick, isn't it. I may not get fired if I don't stop.)

President John read a Thank You from Jane Schenk for our get well wishes in her absence. I think she looked very well, thankfully, and we are so glad to have her back at the meetings. John continued by lauding Mike for his posting to Facebook of Camp Onseyawa. It had been viewed by 1211 people so far and had received several favorable comments. I'm not on Facebook myself, but I'll ask my boss to show me.

In the Calendar and Events section, John announced the following:

- There will be a special Rotary Lite this Wednesday (today as of this writing). We will especially
 discuss and work on our Display for the District Conference. It will feature a slide presentation
 this year. If you look back in your emails, you'll find his plea for pictures of our activities in the
 past year.
- Next regular meeting will be the annual "Dental Health" poster awards show. Past (way past)
 Rotarian Wayne Chanler is leading. Last year he brought a couple of his nice looking assistants to
 help him keep things on track. Hopefully, we won't have transportation and other school snafus
 preventing the contestants from arriving this year.
- Skip wants all Lucky Ducky ticket stubs by next Monday's meeting so that we can start stuffing. A sign up sheet for duties to sell tickets outside Rennoldson's store was also circulated. That event takes place on Friday, May 11. There were still some open slots when I signed it. Contact Skip if you can help!
- President John went on to announce that we will move the scheduled Gavel Dinner from July 2nd to SUNDAY July 1st, The reason is that the District 7120 Gavel Dinner is on July 2nd, and there are several Rotarians who would like to attend. For the past several years, the District has collided with our schedule. (Not the other way around...!)

In the announcements, it was revealed that Dave Cook, a Canandaigua Rotarian, died last Saturday. His memorial service will be held Sunday, May 6, at 3:00pm, at the First Congregational Church, 58 N. Main St., Canandaigua, NY. President elect Jack continued by thanking everyone for attending the "Mexican food" fundraiser for the Naples Angels. They raised \$1,100! Another impressive announcement concerned our vice go president Matt Frahm, who placed 3rd in the St Januarius annual 5k. He apparently ran like the proverbial wind. Well done!

It was finally time for Judy S. to give her presentation of the Naples Library. She used the Library's website https://napleslibrary.org/ as a backdrop for her presentation. I strongly recommend a visit to the site. It is very impressive. Since John "televised" the event on Facebook, where my boss was able to enjoy Judy's presentation, it makes little sense to for me to go further here. Check it out on Facebook! We were able to put our hands on units available to the blind at the library. Very rugged and functional!

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One of Judy's favorite departments at the library is in the basement, where you can find a lot of neat stuff. Our club is grateful to have a small archive section.

Carrie is on the board of directors for the library. She followed Judy S. and gave a short presentation of the economical background. Again, you may find all the information you need by clicking on a link at the Library website. What may not be so easy to find at the site is the statistics on attendance and services, which was covered by both Judy and Carrie. They are impressive! It led her into the upcoming vote for the school budget https://www.cleargov.com/new-york/school/naples/2016/ or https://www.naplescsd.org/ where you may study in greater detail the proposed increases, necessary to continue the efforts in the excellent manner we witnessed in the presentations.

On to the raffle. Brenda failed to locate the ace of hearts.

For the various fines and Happy Bills, I refer you to the Facebook videos.

President John was on top of things as usual, and for the Win/Win he asked for the library's hours open to the public. If you want to find Alex, go there any time it's open. She rattled off the hours in her unmistakable attention grabbing style.

This report doesn't contain pictures. They are above my pay scale, but again, check it out on Facebook. This "tome" is intended for the storage of Naples Rotary history, ably managed by Jane down in the basement of the aforementioned library.