



Today's Noon Meeting resulted in a great turnout of members, as it was our Club Assembly! There were 30 members in attendance, plus three guests, which certainly made a full house! President Jack opened the meeting, in asking us to join him in reciting The Pledge. Jack also led us in singing



God Bless America. Susan gave The Blessing, asking The Lord to bless and guide us, as we endeavor to serve others above ourselves. We welcomed guests, JoAnne Sheehan, and Elaine Tears from Bath Rotary, and Chip Weismiller, from Connecticut, who visits us from time to time. It's always a pleasure to have friends in Rotary join us for a meeting and fellowship!

Jack shared a letter from our outgoing exchange student, Phoebe Neubauer, who is spending the academic year in Austria. Phoebe is enjoying having the opportunity to use the German Language frequently, and she noted that on November 16<sup>th</sup>, she will have been there 100 days! My, how the time flies!



There was a message from DG Mike Slovak regarding Hurricane Michael Relief. District 33, the Florida Panhandle, needs our help! John M. noted that the Landmark Society will convene on 10/30. John F. shared that there were 18 of us in attendance at the World Polio Event last week. Thus far, \$575 has been raised for Polio Plus! Jo Anne and Elaine spoke of the 2018 District Conference, which will be held in The Poconos from 5/3 to 5/5. There is a new twist to this year's Conference! It will be a "family friendly" event!

Jack talked about the Eastern Cities Fellowship Dinner which took place on Sunday Evening. There were 8 of us from Naples who attended, which included Sharon F., and Alvaro, our exchange student. RI President, Barry Rassin, was the Keynote Speaker. He spoke of the various skills brought to our organization which help us to Be The Inspiration. The cover of the July Issue of The Rotarian magazine features RI Pres. Barry, and his wife Esther among seven flamingos. One of the flamingos had chosen to go in a different direction, and the analogy was made by Barry that Rotary can take new and improved directions to be even better at what we do throughout the world!



Here is a brief Club Calendar Review for the month of November: 11/3- The RLI in Palmyra. 11/5- Program on Income Tax. 11/12- Hollerhorn Distillery. 11/19- Hunt Hollow. 11/26- NCS Capital Project. Many thanks to Tom Hawks for arranging the programs!

Pres. Jack, acting as our facilitator, posed three questions as a springboard for today's discussion at our Club Assembly 1. What do we do best? 2. What do we need to improve? 3. What are the "unspeakables"? A lively discussion followed, as many points of interest, and many suggestions were made by the members. In order to make this summary easier to read, I decided to put these ideas in "bullet form". Hopefully, this format will be helpful!

- In helping us to grow as a membership, we have had, and no doubt will continue to have excellent programs.
- Having added the technology, such as Facebook, Livestream, and Our Website has been instrumental in getting Naples Rotary better known within the community and beyond.
- We've had a steady rate of growth, and it is our desire to retain our new members. Having a mentorship for incoming members would be a way to engage newcomers, and familiarize them with "Rotary ways".
- As Barry Rassin says, "Youth is the future of Rotary". We need to involve more youth in our club in viable, productive ways.
- New projects were mentioned, such as the installation of Little Libraries, help with Junior Robotics, and reading to/with elementary students.
- Once a month, a complete listing of the NRC Committees and persons involved could be added to the bulletin.
- The Website could have committees and projects listed.
- We could have a monthly project, it need not be overwhelming, but ongoing participation by members, in varying degrees, could be achieved.
- We could build on this discussion by having weekly snippets as part of our regular meeting schedule.
- Keep in mind that our programs are a two-way street. Each of us has an entity or a connection that we can offer!
- Guest, Chip noted that he is part of a suburban club, and there seems to be more of a sense of community in a rural club such as ours.
- Pres. Jack invited us to E-mail him any additional ideas we may have.

Today's Fines were as follows: Missed Meetings-Jodi, Deb, Woody, Bruce, John M., Bill C., and Susan. Leah and Judy were a bit late. Pat and Bo had been to Vermont. And Chip had a phone call.

Lots of Happy Bills came forth for the Club Assembly and the Eastern Cities Dinner. Woody and John B.- grape juice. Bruce is off to warmer parts until Spring. Tom enjoyed traveling to NYC with Matt. Shanna. Bill C., and Chip were glad to be here. Jodi's son had a great soccer season. Leah and Judy were happy about the barn quilt workshop. Alex's grandson won 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for his cute Halloween costume!



Ace of Hearts: The Kitty was up to \$370! Ticket #318, being that of Bill S., was drawn. Bill drew the Jack of Diamonds. He narrowed it down!

Bill C. shared a great Rotary Moment with us! His son, Michael is taking him to a Bills vs. Chicago Bears game on Sunday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. Mike called the Bills to arrange handicap parking for his dad. Upon learning that Bill was a vet, he received 2 extra tickets to the game! Not only that, between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, they are going to do a Salute to the Vets, and Bill will be the Representative Vet! Thank you, Bill, for your service!

Skip reminded us that next Monday, after the meeting, we'll be passing out the dictionaries to the Third Graders. He needs a couple of volunteers to help. Have a great week, everyone! See you in November!

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