

GRAPEVINE

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September 10, 2018 Steak Roast, reported by Patrice Lysell, secretary.



Tonight was our Annual Steak Roast, and if there is any group that knows how to usher in Fall, it would be the Naples Rotary Club! The VFW was the venue for our Evening Meeting of September, and the tables converged to a center point, where all the special events of the evening took place. A plethora of members and guests filled the dining area! There were 34 members and 15 guests chattering away, and inhaling the tempting aroma of sizzling steaks on the grill, prepared by our own Billy Grove! Our guests were introduced table by table, and that included Katie, Kathleen, Sharon, Peggy, Alvaro, (our Exchange Student), Jessie, and her Dad, Tad, Aren, and his Mom, Becca, Suzanne, Cro, Frank, Jill, and Marty. We also had the honor of welcoming our AG, Jean McMillan!



Since we were at the VFW, we had a choice of American Flags to face, yet we chose to face The Flag at the entrance, as President Jack led us in our Salute. God Bless America was the song John French chose for us to sing, as he started us off with his melodious voice. Larry

gave The Blessing, thanking God for our fellowship, our service to others, and for living in the Naples area. Tonight's Meeting was going to be slightly different from our usual sequence of events, for we were gathered here to celebrate the Induction of our newest member, Suzanne Schwartz, and to enjoy the company of each other as well!

Mike rose to speak about the Grape Fest for a few minutes. He would be passing around a sign-up sheet for members to work at our Wine Tent. The Wine Tent will be out front this year. There will be a new fence that will require some manpower to erect. Penny has volunteered 3 youths to help. Thank you, Penny! We will be setting up on the Thursday before the Festival.

President Jack thanked Skip, Judy, and Billy for all their efforts in making Our Annual Steak Roast such a pleasurable event. Not only were there tempting steaks cooked to order, two long tables of luscious appetizers, salads, and desserts were there to tempt our palates, thanks to the many contributions of members.

Jack noted that a check from the Naples Rotary Club Foundation in the amount of \$8,742.94 was issued to The Hospeace House from The Walk of Life, which he presented to Hospeace president John F.!

Jack also shared a great "Rotary Moment!" Our team of golfers, which included Jack, John F., Adam, and Bruce Scott garnered an award for a great round at the District Golf Tournament! Congratulations, Golfers!! (13 under par, 59!!)



Our Exchange Student, Alvaro, was asked to say a few words about his first week at school. His impressions of NCS have been very favorable thus far! He likes the way "all the grades seem to get along!" Many thanks to the three host families who will, undoubtedly, give Alvaro a generous taste of Naples hospitality!

Skip spoke for all of us, as he expressed his sincere thanks to the VFW for providing us with such a great place to have Our Fall Gathering. The Autumn decorations on the tables added to the warm climate too!

Then it was time to have the Induction Ceremony, and to celebrate our newest member, Suzanne Schwartz! Using the Naples Rotary Induction Ceremony Format, President Jack called forth Suzanne, along with her sponsor, Judy Miller, who happens to be her cousin! Eight parts describing Rotary were read by members, Pat, Skip, Matt, Mike, Nancy, Tom, Bo, and Carrie. In conclusion, Jack welcomed Suzanne into the membership of the Naples Rotary Club. Judy was then asked to say a few words on Suzanne's behalf. Her pin, certificate, and material were presented, and we rose, and gave her a warm round of applause to welcome her into the Naples Rotary! Jack noted that this Format was from DG, Mike Slovak. (Judy will receive a Sponsor Pin soon!)





Jane won the 50-50 with Ticket #2750. (It was 54.00!) And... Sherry told us that the Calendar Order is in!! Yahoo!! Enjoy these beautiful Fall Days, Folks! See you on the 17th!

NAPLES ROTARY CLUB PROGRAM SCHEDULE				
Date	Time	Location	Program	Speaker
9/17/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Thai Massage	Jessica Witherow
9/24/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Grape Festival	Donna Scott
10/1/2018	Noon	The Redwood	The philosophy of senior living activities	Jody Wilbur
10/8/2018	PM	The Redwood	From charity to social impact	Lynn Thurston
10/15/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Interior Design	Judy Foster
10/22/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Ganondagon	Harvey Limbeck
10/29/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Club Assembly	
11/5/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Income Tax topics	Janet Cowley
11/12/2018	PM	The Redwood	Distillery	Karl Neubauer?
11/19/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Hunt Hollow Youth Skiing Fund	Arden Neubauer
11/26/2018	Noon	The Redwood	NCS Capital Project - Phase. 2	Matt Frahm
12/3/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Stories of Yesteryear	Woody Hawks
12/10/2018	PM	??	Holiday Party?	
12/17/2018	Noon	The Redwood	Naples Valley Visitors Association	Mike Joseph
12/24/2018			Christmas Eve, No Meeting	
12/31/2018			New Years Eve, No Meeting	
1/7/2019	Noon	The Redwood	Naples Ambulance	Linda Almekinder
1/14/2019	PM	The Redwood	New Cancer Treatments	Tom Hawks
1/21/2019	Noon	The Redwood	Club Assembly	
1/28/2019	Noon	The Redwood	Senior resources	Tina Bloom
2/4/2019	Noon			
2/11/2019	PM		Wine or Not!	John Brahm