

# CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP NOON ROTARY



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## April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Regular Meeting

12:00 Call to order by President Richard Dunmire, followed by Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, 4 Way Test, Song. 12:05 Lunch, 12:20 Business Meeting, 12:40 Speaker and guests: 1:00 Adjournment.

**Guests: Doug Austin, Curt Whipple, & Judy Hughes**

### Secretary's Report:

Rich M. started the meeting by going over numbers for our PayPal Account. We currently have around \$122.46 in our online account from Ball Drop ticket sales. Keep up the good work as we can really utilize this tool to offer a digital format for our customers to use for payments. Rich wanted to send a quick shout out to Tara Hardsock and Noelle Reynolds for their interview about the Empty Bowls Project and mentions of our club in their interview.

### Treasurer's Report:

Jenn started her report by stating that we made around \$3,250 profit from our Ball Drop Event.

### Ball Drop:

This past Saturday, we held our First Annual Ball Drop Event at the YMCA during the Healthy Kids Day. Thank you to the various members who donated their time to help make both events widely successful. After a couple last minute ticket funds being added, we ended up profiting around \$3,600 in which we decided to distribute:

Strong Kids Campaign: \$1,500  
Suicide Prevention & Awareness: \$1,000  
Cranberry Volunteer Fire Department: \$750

The rest of the proceeds will be deposited in our account for future uses.

### New Member:

In a unanimous vote, Curt Whipple of Cranberry Township was accepted into our club today. We are excited to see how Curt can contribute to our great club and the community. It is a great thing to see our club growing with the New Year!

### Garden:

It was requested and granted for up to \$1,500 in funds to revamp our Rotary Garden that is located near Home Depot in Cranberry Township. Denny Mason and Ralph Sterzinger will head the effort and plan to replace the shrubbery with a more visually pleasing set of Annuals.

### Suicide Prevention & Awareness Walk:

As we revel in our great efforts from the Ball Drop, it is now time to focus on our upcoming event of "Suicide Prevention & Awareness Walk". We need to focus on creating and maintaining a buzz within our community to get sponsors and walkers for the event. Rich has suggested, and it was granted, to put some funds into an online Facebook promotion to increase and spread awareness of this event in Cranberry and the surrounding areas. There will be more information given out in future meetings but please see Shavonne if you have any questions

### Jerry:

Jerry had a couple of tasks to go through in our meeting today. Firstly, he suggested, and it was approved through vote, to give \$150 to the Governor's Project of packing meals in backpacks. This is double the asking amount and we are more than happy to do our part in donations.

Secondly, Jerry and John Marshall attending the district meeting this past Saturday and came back with some good information. Rotary International is offering special reward cards that you can attach to a keychain that will grant special discounts and benefits to retail and service stores. There will be more information to come. John Marshall was awarded twice during the meeting; once for a membership development award for the most members in the district acquired during his presidency under the age of 40. He was also awarded the Paul Harris Society Award for his continuing pledge to donate to Rotary Foundation. We are lucky to have John Marshall in our club and are proud to see his accomplishment being noticed.

Lastly, in conjunction with our grant this year, we approved and donated \$2,000 to the Healthy Kids Day.

**Scholarships:**

Jim Sandherr ended the meeting by introducing and offering suggestions for the Scholarships awards that we offer on an annual basis. There will be more information in the coming meetings.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (Thursday)** - Annual Volunteer Dinner 6 PM (Cranberry Place)

**May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (Sunday)** – Suicide Prevention and Awareness Walk 7:00 AM

**August 22<sup>nd</sup> (Monday)** - 2016 Annual Golf Outing, Olde Stonewall

Speaker Schedule

| 2015          |                         |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| December 22nd | Jennifer Cunningham     |
| December 29th | Mark H. Pappas          |
| January 5th   | Daniel Novakovich       |
| January 19th  | Jennifer Gohn           |
| January 26th  | Speaker                 |
| February 2nd  | Damon Pierce            |
| February 9th  | Shavonne Ayres          |
| February 16th | Bill Hewko              |
| March 1st     | NO MEETING              |
| March 15th    | Bill Hewko              |
| March 22nd    | Jennifer C. & Kristy G. |
| March 29th    | Denny Mason             |
| April 12th    | <b>Board Meeting</b>    |
| April 19th    | Bill Hewko              |
| April 26th    | Richard T Morrison III  |
| May 3rd       | Jim Sandherr            |
| May 17th      | Ken Sinagra             |
| May 24th      | Linda Andreassi         |
| May 31st      | Greg Van Hoose          |
| June 1st      | TBD                     |
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**Respectfully submitted by Richard T Morrison III, Secretary.**