

ROTARY TAILINGS

Rotary Club of Jackson



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Veterans Day Ceremonies Will Take Place This Week

Veterans Day is November 11th. It will be recognized in many ways including at the Rotary Club of Jackson's meeting on November 7th, and on November 11th with a parade in downtown Jackson and a wreath laying at Arlington National Cemetery.

At the Club meeting on November 7th President Dirk has special plans to recognize all of the veterans in the Club. In addition Irene Perbal will discuss "My Life Under Nazi Occupation".

The parade in Jackson will start at 10 am on Main St. on Saturday.

The Veterans Day National Ceremony is held each year on November 11th at Arlington National Cemetery. The ceremony commences precisely at 11:00 a.m. with a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns and continues inside the Memorial Amphitheater with a parade of colors by veterans' organizations and remarks from dignitaries. The ceremony is intended to honor and thank all who served in the United States Armed Forces.

Veterans have a Wide-Range of Experiences

Many times veterans do not say too much about their military experiences but when they do discuss them you find a wide-range of experiences and recollections. While visiting my uncle Ken in New Hampshire one year we were in his den and he had a clean and neatly folded American flag and displayed in a case. When I asked him about it he told me that he was a Naval officer during World War II. His ship was off-shore in support of the landings at either Iwo Jima or Guadalcanal (I do not remember which). The flag he had on display had flown above his ship during the engagement. It was dirty and smoky and it was replaced with a new one. He decided to keep the old one as a souvenir and reminder of what he and his ship had gone through. He sent it home to his parents. When he got home he discovered his mother, always one to like things clean and neat, had washed it and ironed it to keep for him. Of course she did not understand that doing so diminished it somewhat as a historical reminder of what had transpired.

When you meet a veteran ask him or her to share their experiences with you—they served for you.

Meeting Highlights



Last week's meeting was quite exciting. A very colorful and friendly Tigger filled in for the absent President Dirk.



Past Presidents Marv Hampton and D'Arcy Porter were presented with their highly coveted Past President badges.



As a warmer-up to the costume contests, Barbara Long challenged us with Halloween Trivia. Each correct answer garnered an extra drawing ticket for the good spinning wheel and a candy bar.

Even Tigger enjoyed describing why orange and black are traditional Halloween Colors.

Ben Larkey joined us again for, he hopes, his last meeting as a guest. He will join the Club officially on November 7.



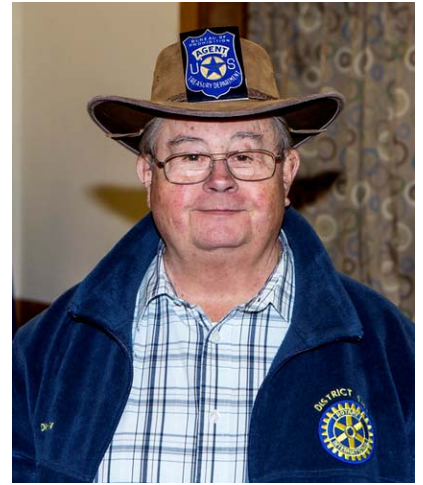
Renee announced that the Interact Club will be helping with materials for the Jackson Christmas bow hanging on November 18. Helpers and strong wire-cutters are needed. Please contact her if you can help.

Dick Campbell was our host for the beverage night.

In addition to Ben, we had two additional guests. Pat Crew introduced Superintendent of Schools Amy L. Slavensky and Lemonia Yager introduced Jeannie Branch.

Before and during the meeting we were treated to a variety of members and guests wearing costumes. Judging took place and the end of the evening.





Big winners of the costume contest were Mark Hampton, one of the Three Musketeers and Art Long, lead singer from Men at Work. On the "big spin" Marv received a pin and Art a bottle of wine. In the regular drawing Steve Cilenti was selected to be next week's greater (on hold due to travels) and Jimmy Wilson will be fine free next week. Bonus drawings went to Michelle Porter who received the eternal gratitude of the Club and Art Long who won a free dinner. Maybe he will share the bottle of wine with his table!

>>CLUB CALENDAR: SAVE THE DATE<<

Tuesday November 7: Irene Perbal “My Life Under Nazi Occupation”

Tuesday November 14: Club Assembly

Tuesday November 21: Club is Dark

Thursday November 23: Happy Thanksgiving

Tuesday November 28: tbd

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Barbara Long Nov. 7

Ron Floyd Nov. 11

David Mason Nov. 16

Frank Verardi Nov. 17

Robert Manassero Nov. 18

Rick Sprenkel Nov 21

Art Long Nov. 29

Dan Barnett Nov. 20

ANNIVERSARIES

Roger & Joyce Riggsby No. 18

D’Arcy & Michelle Porter Nov. 19

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