

Rotary
Club of Schaumburg- Hoffman
Estates, Illinois, U.S.A.



THE BUZZ
January 7, 2022

CALLED TO ORDER: 12:15 pm. Some slight technical problems as we transitioned to a hybrid meeting again. **President Tom**, then announced that the speaker is unable to attend. We will be going into a Club Assembly

Editor's note: The Zoom feed is being broadcast through Chandler's sound system. You are very loud, and I promise you are very easily heard, there is no need to speak loud or yell. Also, if you wish to chat with the other members on Zoom, please use the chat function, the Zoom cross talk, which was being broadcast over the loudspeaker, was disrupting President Tom's efforts to correct the technical glitches at the beginning of the meeting. That said, once the glitches were fixed I felt that it worked out well for those of us in person and those attending via zoom.

GUESTS: Paul Niemac and Lorrene Conino

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lorrene Conino from Salon Lorrene informed the club of a "Baby Shower" fundraiser she is doing for the Jesse Brown VA. The goal is to fill 40 new diaper bags in honor of women who have served. Their goal is to raise \$10,000.00. You can also sponsor a bag for \$150.00 or drop of diapers. See the flyer attached to the Buzz Email.

Natalie Martinez from NBC will once again be the host for the Classis. Sell your Tickets!!!!

Nancy Redmon reported that Brian Burke's condo has again graciously been donated as an auction item. She also reported that Rahl Jewelers (where I bought my ex-wife's engagement ring, but we won't hold that against him since the second time around I used **Jeff Milstein** at that has worked out much better) has agreed to donate a piece of jewelry to be used in raising funds during the Classic.

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Bob Fleisher reports that gifts are coming in for the Silent Auction. We have a Moretti's wine club package submitted by **Ed Haag**. **Barry and Marilyn Christian** have submitted some "high value" wine.

Wasn't quite clear on this one, but it sounds like, if we are able to put together a trip to Nashville that a package of Gift Certificates for Nashville area restaurants has been secured.

Bob further reports that we are attempting to again arrange for another the Mayor for the Day with Hoffman Estates. **Loren Trimble** was mayor for the day last year and thoroughly enjoyed it. Bob further reported that he was pleased to announce that **Allen Gabe** had donated \$10,000.00 to the Classic (more to come on this below).

Glenn Szurgot reports that we will have a 12-piece Orchestra playing during the dinner portion of the Classic. In person attendance guidelines at the event will follow whatever the then current State protocol is. At a minimum, we expect that proof of current vaccination and masks will be required.

Rosemary Justen reported that the club has looked into obtaining new spirit wear for the Club. An email was sent, please look in your email and respond to Rosemary's survey.

Brian Berg read and thankyou letter from a recipient of the Trickster Veteran Dinner that our club helped support. The recipient was a 92-year-old Korean War veteran. He and his wife thoroughly enjoyed the meal.

President Tom indicated that **Wes Crockett** intends to host a Superbowl party as a Club Fellowship Event. Watch for emails on the event. Tom also indicates that the club is now on Instagram. New member **Anastasia Lozhkina** made it happen.

HAPPY DOLLARS: **Linda Dressler** was happy for the success of that pajama drive that her and **Gene Walters** recently conducted.

Bill Landwer reported that **Mimi** successfully recovered from a broken back that had "mysteriously" occurred at home in the bedroom. Were glad **Mimi** is okay, and hope that bill finds the perpetrator that broke **Mimi's** back.

Gene Walters was happy for the success of the pajama drive, for **Allen Gabe's** "awesome" looking sweater, and for **Allen's** generous Classic Donation.

Darrel Moon was happy because his newest grandson was born on Christmas Day.

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Tim Cohagen was happy that his injured arm was not broken or dislocated but warned everyone to be safe the next time they ride the “lazy river” at the Dells, apparently the waves can be too much for the inexperienced lazy river patron.

Terry Parke, like **Gene Walters**, was very happy about **Allen Gabe’s** donation to the Classic.

Eileen Higginbotham was very happy about all the club’s 4th quarter community service projects, and happy for **Jean Schlinkmann’s** Zoom screen name, “**mean**,” although she didn’t agree that it applied. More will apparently be said on the issue when **Jean** returns to town.

Bill Kelley jerked us back into announcements to indicate that the International Committee will meet at Chandler’s on January 14, 2022, at 10:30 am.

QUEEN OF DIAMONDS:

Bonnie McCulla was the winner. She was not in attendance and the lowest number (31) was chosen. It was the 10 of Hearts, pot rolls over.

TIME TO EAT

FUN AND FROLIC: **Allen Gabe** performed fine mastering duties.

Allen wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Everyone who already broke their New Year's resolution was fined \$2. Everyone who failed to make a New Year's resolution was fined \$3.

If you haven’t sold a classic ticket yet, \$3.

No Badge, No pin, or late, were assessed the usual fines.

Bill Landwer for “dreaming” about how **Mimi** got hurt.

Anastasia Lozhkina, Mike Ericksen, Brian Berg, Barry Christian, Glenn Szurgot and Glenn Garlick, for all wearing blue and sitting at the same table.

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Bob Fleisher for apparently “exaggerating” about the existence of Allen’s \$10,000.00 donation to the Classic. However, I am sure Allen’s contributions in ticket sales and other aspects will more than make up for **Bob’s** exaggeration.

Anyone who didn’t reach out to **Eileen** or **Dennis O’Connell**

ADJOURNED: There being no speaker, President Tom, in a slight breach from pre-pandemic etiquette and protocol involving similar situations, wherein we would have engaged in fellowship until 1:29 before re-engaging the meeting for the Four-Way Test and adjournment, terminated the meeting early at 1:13, just as dessert was being served.

The Jesse Brown VA Baby Shower Fundraiser Flyer is attached to the email that delivered this Buzz.