

THE ROTARY CLUB OF SCHAUMBURG/HOFFMANN ESTATES

!!!BUZZ!!!

July 10, 2020

Pres. Wes rang the bell for his very first meeting as our Club President (Yea!!!), PRECISELY ON TIME BY THE WAY. Vince S led us in the pledge, and Allen G led us through the 4-Way Pact, after which Pres. Wes went straight to a new feature for our meetings, the “*Uplifting News of the Week*” which included:

Chance the Snapper is doing well,

A singer (whose name your Buzzer didn’t quite catch) is still singing well!

UK’s last Lancaster Bomber can still fly (does anyone other than your Buzzer and presumably Pres. Wes know what a Lancaster is?); and

We have a new Rotary Banner, which Pres. Wes “ta-da-ed.”

If you have any good news, email it to Pres. Wes for use at our next meeting.



Darrell M was happy to see John Selke at our meeting;

Eileen H was happy to see Bruce and Glenn for a photo session at the Trickster Cultural Center last Friday for the last scheduled delivery for the vets (which our Foundation started funding and the United Way has now begun to fund in a big way);

John S was happy to be at the meeting, and he had a message from PP Nick Tiwan concerning a fundraiser the Nick is holding on his island – email John for details;

Jeff M was very happy to be this year’s recipient of the 4-Way Test award (you earned it)!

Nancy R was happy to host an exchange student from Australia which she and Don hosted quite some time ago, and she got to meet with that exchange student in person last week;

Jean S was happy to have a decorating accessory (a honking huge trophy) that she won for doing something that she didn’t quite describe, or confess to;

Barry C was happy because 25 years ago today, he asked Marilyn to marry him;

Vince S had a grateful dollar because his garage fire didn't burn his house down (we're grateful about that too);

Bill K was happy to be living with a hero (his wife Jeanne) for saving a local family from a house fire!!! (and nobody was injured by the fire);

Bonnie and Jim Mc were happy to see Holly F;

Holly F was happy to be going on the sailboat tonight (and that always makes for a happy day).

Birthdays

Birthday greetings will now be done on the first day of each month, and the Club wished happiness (in the horrible, counter-intuitive Wes Craven kind of way) to the following birthday celebrants: Jim A, Sarah B, Steve L, Ernie T. and our August President Wes! Happy 29th to everyone but Wes; Wes, a very happy 21st to you buddy!

Announcements

Pres. Wes passed along a "thank you" from Shelter, Inc., and also let us know that we received a huge grant for combating Hep C. Pres. Wes also gave us helpful advice on how to PAY YOUR CLUB BILLS!!!!!! It's pretty easy actually. Finally, we need to give Bob Fleisher some help in recruiting speakers. And more finally, Pres. Wes informed us that each of the Fishing Well recipients made a video for us, and he proceeded to play one of them (he has 10 of them), and the recipients are very grateful. And then last but not least: on the Survey on whether to meet in person, we received 62 responses, 39 are open to meeting again and 23 said no. Pres. Wes indicated that we would follow District guidelines. There are a lot of things to consider, and Pres. Wes will put together a plan for consideration by the Club Board.

Eileen H announced that we receive a big "thank you" from Harper College for the \$6K in transfer scholarships;

Glenn S (the new Foundation Chair) will try to have meetings on the last Friday of each month at 10:30 a.m., and he will live stream the meetings, and also that Wes, Roger S. and Mike E "are all on the T Box tomorrow."

Holly F announced that the Vacation Raffle is underway and she encouraged us to get out there and sell tickets (and she has sold 16 tickets already just talking about them). You can mail sold ticket stubs and checks to the Club's PO Box, or to the next meeting. But selling the tickets is the key.

Jean S announced that the \$160,000.00 Ace Grant application has been submitted, and we're just waiting for the Rotary Foundation's decision, which should take about a month. Also, Jean

announced that she has put the raffle cubes (and something else which we didn't quite hear) in the Club's storage unit.

Sarah B announced: 1) a huge thank you to everyone who donated over a \$1,000 (collectively) to the school supplies project, 2) next week there will be a review presentation concerning the Action Squad Covid response; and 3) KYC is working with an organization in Chicago to put together teams to paint (the outside) of someone's home for someone in our community on September 19.

Tom G announced that we should go to the Club's Facebook site every week. He then announced that Child's Voice and the YMCA sent us thank you notes. Also, the Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce is having a golf outing next week, so if you're interested contact Allen G (Tom is just kidding about contacting Mr. G, speaking of which).

Finemastering

Once again the light dimmed and the air became suddenly chilled, as Finemaster Allen G once again assumed the mantle of finemaster charged with the gleeful duty of pillaging our wallets and purses with budget busting fines (meaning, our budgets), fining:

Finees included:

Brian B, the first to respond to today's question (about what you would do post-apocalypse) with an answer which our Finemaster found to be totally and completely shocking; Brian said that he would go to a Bar. How scandalous! By the way, all fines are \$2.

Sam was fined for being the last to respond to the question;

Pres. Wes' pocket was picked because he was mentioned in the paper;

Don C and Jim F, who were also featured in the paper, also had their pockets picked;

Anyone eating popcorn, or anything really, was really fined (and rightly so!);

Don C was fined \$5 for doing an Ernie T. impersonation (by sleeping at the meeting);

and Don and everyone else who was fined, regardless of whether you attended today, are still going to have to pay that fine (this is according to the Finemaster, who as everyone knows, is very serious about this!!!!);

Holly F was fined for walking around with her phone during the last meeting;

Anyone wearing a Rotary Tie (like Allen is) is exempt from fines today;

Jean S was fined again for her departure plans;

Loren T was fined for sending a thank you to the Finemaster on the stationary of Loren's company (which is advertising)

All who did not attend the installation either in person or by remote viewing were justifiably fined;

Tom G was fined for having a very hot cell phone (literally);

Everyone who didn't wear Rotary attire and/or their pin were fined;

Vince S was fined for smoking cigars and having a smoking garage;

Anyone who hasn't returned tickets for the Vacation Thingy (our volunteer legal counsel, Mr. G, advised us that we could not refer to the Thingy as a "raffle" so by default that makes it a Thingy);

Everyone who did not respond to today's question was fined. Gary A, however, reminded the Finemaster that he didn't answer the question because he had already asked that same question (to which Gary had responded that he would streak through a quadrangle) which, although it was a perfectly well founded evidentiary objection (it's called "Asked and Answered"), there was no judge present to rule on that objection, with the result that Mr. A received another fine;

And with that, mercifully, the fining sputtered to a close. Thank you Allen!

Program

DG Straub's inspirational video to the District was replayed for us all to hear, with an important message for us all about the future of Rotary. If you missed today's meeting, this Buzzer would strongly urge you to listen to DG Lyle's message and then think about what he has said. He's really very eloquent, and his message is a good listen. He sent an email around with a link earlier this week, and Tom G can also send you the link.

And with that, Pres. Wes rang the virtual bell on a great virtual meeting of the Friendly Club!
See you next week!