

# Rotary

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



## *THE BUZZ*

### *APRIL 2, 2021*

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Due to time family and work constraints since last Friday, and the fact that time is of the essence to get this done before the next meeting, this Buzz was drafted using speech to text recognition and is hereby reported without proofreading. Feel free to take the time to proof it and correct any typographical or grammatical errors yourself and at your convenience. Also, at least at my computer, the feed from the meeting was not as strong as usual, so I did the best I could to hear everything. Enjoy your reading, and proof reading, see you all tomorrow.

**Called to order: 12:15**

#### **GOOD NEWS:**

- 1) Wes presented a story about a bar that was rehabbed, but the developer had done the rehab without getting the necessary permits causing the entire rehab to be undone. It was a bit choppy here, but if I understood correctly, somehow the locals helped get the bar funds, and this time the bar was rehabbed back, this time with permits, much to the delight of the locals.
- 2) A stray dog kept showing up and going into a Dollar general store to play with a particular toy. Local law enforcement bought the toy for the dog, and the dog was ultimately adopted.
3. The tanker stuck in the Suez Canal, was no longer stuck, hopefully there will not be another toilet paper shortage now. **Editor's note, due to poor inventory control and communication between yours truly and the wife regarding Costco runs, we are stocked on TP until January 2022. So you know if it happens....tp is available to the highest bidders.**

#### **HAPPY DOLLARS:**

**Brian Berg** a very long happy dollars, for what I believe was getting his first vaccine shot, but again it was a bit choppy at this time of the meeting, I couldn't hear it all.

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**Mary** was happy to be able to attend in person.

**Terry Parke** was happy that Jim and Bonnie were there in person.

**Bonnie** was happy to have receive new technology to help her with her back and that said technology has caused her to grow ¼ inch. The new bionic woman.

**Nanette** was happy to be back form AZ and people helping her out on Silent Auction, something with her husband (choppiness again), and for seeing Bonnie in attendance.

**Jim F** happy to be back in one piece from snowboarding and skiing in Vail. Jim challenge **Ed Haag** to a race. **Jean**, it was perhaps the best line that I have ever witnessed during a live Rotary meeting suggested that they should include **Jeff Miller**, because he is most certainly an expert in winter sports. It was ultimately decided that the winner of the race would challenge Jeff in a pickle ball game at the bottom of the hill.

**Jean**, although remote, was happy to have her long-time friend, and this editor's former neighbor, Carol Johnson as the club's presentation this week.

**Julie Clark** just go back from Michigan to celebrate her granddaughter's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. She was also happy that she received her first shot.

**Gary**, and I am not sure if Happy Dollars were presented officially or not, but in the chat room, he thanked **Brian Berg** for his Happy Dollars/presentation.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Eileen:** needs volunteers to help the CAC with cleanup of the Butterfly Garden, which was apropos (**Editor's note, shocked that the Dragon Software got this word correct**), since butterflies were part of the presentation today. However, got a bit choppy again, wasn't sure when help was needed, but I think it is for this upcoming weekend, April 10. Please check with Eileen and volunteer if you can.

**Jim F** gave an update on the Final Four, but I couldn't hear who was still alive in the pool. But I think he said they were all current and former Rotarians.

**Hollie** ...sorry was really choppy here, but I think Hollie and another Rotarian she met on vacation, witnessed a hotel worker being harassed due to his race, and her and the other Rotarian took action

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to assist him. Sorry, that was the best I could get. But what was clear, was that she and another Rotarian assisted someone in need.

**QUEEN OF DIAMONDS** Brian Burke was the raffle winner, but did not win the prize, it rolls over.

### **FUN AND FROLIC:**

All of Allen's new normal fines.

**Julie Clark**, we made \$155(k) in raffle, Julie suggested our 3 big ticket sellers should not be fined. Julie was fined \$6 for that suggestion.

**Bruce D** for being late, and anyone else who was late.

### **All Big 10 Alumni**

**All Cubs/Sox Fans** both lost on opening day.

**Anyone who isn't a Cubs or Sox Fan** you live in the Chicago area pick one already.

**Responses to the Quiz (best April Fools Joke, you were pulled or had pulled on you)**, Response are attached, and yes, this Editor's is 100% true, **Jim F**, the teacher's name was Patterson. I think Eric was his first name.

**Gary Anderson** For telling his kids one year they were adopted. They didn't find it very funny, but he loved it.

**Darrell Moon, Jack Lucas, Jim F, Tom G...**got choppy, didn't here why, but something about their responses were similar.

### **No guest at your table**

**Brian Berg** for telling people to lie during his Happy Dollars/Presentation

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**Tom G**, he gets fooled every year, his wife tapes the sprayer on the faucet down, so when he turns on the water, he gets sprayed. Didn't happen this year though because Tom was heads up because of the question.

**Sam** she tells someone every year she is pregnant

**Mary Jo** moves clocks ahead.

**Jean** had her band director just come and start directing, people played random music (check this one, bad connection at this time)

**I think Jim F** Look for something to do with a Jeep and Jewel in the responses. Missed this, but it got a lot of laughs so it must have been good.

**George** Called Congressperson, said you are doing good job...April Fools!

**Presentation** – Carol Johnson -longtime resident of Schaumburg. She was presented as a Schaumburg Historian and Butterfly expert.

She claimed she wasn't sure if she is really a Schaumburg Historian, but having lived across from her for 4 years, I can most certainly tell you she is. She asked if we know how to tell male Butterflies from females. Someone said males have a long stems on the bottom of their body, a nice laugh was had, and Carol handled it well, but no, the answer is that males have 2 black spots on their back.

### **Schaumburg History**

Carol and her husband Dave (who is on the Park Foundation Board with Glenn S) have been very active in Schaumburg. Carol was instrumental, much to the chagrin of former Mayor Atcher, in preventing a hospital from being built where Friendship Village currently exists. She tried to get it at Schaumburg and Barrington Roads, it was ultimately built at Barrington Road near Higgins. This Club knows it well and thanks to our efforts from about 15 years ago, have a plaque hanging there.

Carol's husband is responsible for the name of Dirksen Park in Schaumburg, he won a naming contest.

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Carol was a realtor, and for the longest time (she didn't mention this), ran and organized the largest neighborhood garage sale in the Country, the garage sale still exists in the Timbercrest area (I don't miss the parking nightmares), but not sure if it is still the biggest in the Country.

Carol and/or Dave were charter members of over 10 clubs in Schaumburg, including the Spring Valley Nature Center (where the butterfly exhibit is, Carol recruited my son Zach to work there as a volunteer three years ago)

Carol says that the Village was built by Volunteers.

### **Butterflies.**

She and others have raised significant funds to help with the butterfly exhibit. The money then gets turned over to the Park Foundation for use because her group is not yet a 501 (c). They are working on that.

They are working to raise butterflies, tag them, and learn things about their movements.

They use them educationally and work a lot with local children.

Their main goal is to get butterfly way stations signs in the butterfly's habitats to educate the public about the butterflies and dangers to them.

Her and her group, which consists primarily of, Senior Citizens, is looking for any help they can get.

Started to lose connection here again. Got it back just in time to see 4-Way Test and adjournment. I hope you all enjoyed this tardy and technologically challenged, BUZZ. See you all tomorrow.

**Adjourned: 1:32 pm**