



Meeting on January 19, 2024

Greetings! Our meeting began in our usual way, and we welcomed Rick Carlberg (Paulina’s hubby, and works with House Doctor). Welcome to you all!

Club Business & Announcements

We were warned, informed and reminded:

1. Ted G is unglitching some glitches and our Club AR is reduced to \$5,000.
2. Linda D & Gene W advertised the upcoming fellowship event (Joseph & the Dreamcoat) on Jan. 27, the Karaoke on Feb. 8 and the Chili Cookout sometime in February.
3. Brian B advised us that Project Selection is under way and grant forms are on the website.
4. Pat G urged us to (a) come up with more silent auction contributions, and with any item, please include the information on the donor; (b) please reply to Pat G or Mary Bot if you know anyone (including yourself) who would like to be a District worker; and (c) we got a nice letter from POC, which used our \$500 grant to buy coats for those in need of them.
5. Classic Chair Gayle (a) was so excited that Mary Bot and Michelle Mussman will be attending our Classic 3.2; (b) was also excited about the Band – Electro Retro; (c) we have a nice offer from Country Inn for Hotel accommodations; and (d) we need easels for the event – please let Gayle know if you have any to share.
6. Tom G showed us a clip from Electro Retro and he asked all Rotarians to not just like it – share it!
7. Pres. Rachel was proud for a book about us: Showing Up For Life; What We’re Doing as Rotarians, and also the long standing effort RI has made to reduce Polio and Spirit Wear might be closing – put in your orders!
8. Jim F announced that March Madness is coming up and will start next week.

So with Announcements done, we turn to:



As usual, our membership did not disappoint:

Roger S was happy to remember our friend and Rotarian Dom Re and also very happy that his medical treatments have ended. (We’re happy back at you!!!)

Bill K was happy for Jeff M and something about the Chamber;

Jim F was happy that his business was nominated for best business in the Chamber, and came in #2;

Linda D was happy that she attended the Chamber meeting;

Jack L was very happy that Michigan once again prevailed;

Allen G was very happy that the Lions were victorious and for Roger S;

Gene W was happy about (a) his daughter performing at Metropolis (I think that's right); (b) the successful Pajama drive; Allen G's that were the same hue as his "Army" boots;

Marie P was happy now that she has a great Kitchen (thanks to Wes C); and finally,

Pres. Rachel was happy because her son won something (thanks to us) that I didn't quite hear. But it's all good anyway!

Was that enough Cool Happiness, yes? Yes!

Queen of Hearts

I'm not sure who was lucky enough to have the QoH pick his or her name for the drawing or if the drawing even happened. But if it did, that naughty royal dodged whoever that was. How rude! Sorry to whoever that was. And the search will continue next week for remaining other Queens.

 **Finemastering** 

Allen G once again took up the mantle of Master (of fines) and diligently went about picking our pockets and highlighting our foibles, as the fining began with:

Anyone who hasn't sold a Classic Tic, or

Or brought in a Silent Auction prize, or

Didn't have someone at their table named "Rick" or

Didn't nominate our Club as best for volunteers by the Chamber, or

Jeff M who wasn't happy that one of Jeff's staff won best volunteer at the Chamber; or

Didn't greet our secret greeter (who was Nancy R); or

George P, passing out badges at the meeting looking like a Cigarette lady selling tubes at the nightclub; or

Gene W, who didn't know (until being fined) that Allen G was a Marine, and not the Army, and he didn't wear Army Boots; or

Jimfab, who was tempting fate, wearing Julie Clark's badge; and finally,

Gillette J, who is new to our Club and needed someone to learn him up about the perils of asking questions to the finemaster.

No program

We had an unusually happy and upbeat meeting, capped with what most Rotarians like to do best, which is talk
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Amongst themselves!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

That's all folks! See you at the next meeting.