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Another Acting Prez: M. Hogan



No adjustment of your bifocals is necessary – yes that was **MHogan** acting presidential (but without the Tweets!). As the Rotary year winds down and nearly everyone has had an opportunity to revisit the podium in our year of “Patchwork Presidents”.

We pledged as usual under the guidance of **JMaurer**, **JWiesch** shared a thought about a “Good” mother and a “Great” mother and our own “Tunesmith” led us again in a musical plea for Divine blessings upon our country. (He left out the verse about impeachment).

It was a crowded room today as our program presenter (**TCroft**) apparently chartered a small van to bring all of his guests (assuring himself of a receptive audience).

BReed invited all who attended the Rotary District conference to share memories of the event, recently held in Reno. Apparently what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas, but what happens in Reno is happily shared. Many of our members were in attendance (and some actually went to the sessions!) – **Brian, Mike, Larry, Marilyn, Bruce, Dan, Katrina** – and special kudos to **KimMcD** who spent more than two years working on preparations for the gathering of the four Rotary Districts. All were really impressed with the Hall of Friendship where various clubs display the

projects they are working on, just a further reinforcement of the difference that Rotary is making. Reports ended with **MLira** presenting special thank you gifts to **KimMcD**. (See unretouched photo below)

Acting like a President **MikeH** then introduced a short video which reinforced how little time each of us has spent in Chemistry class. Topic was differences between products with CBD and THC (if you've got 'em, smoke 'em). Sub-titled how to defeat anxiety without getting high (or smoking). Interesting video – for more details reach out to our “CBD Connection” **DSepp**.

Next we got an update on the Nepal project from the always effervescent **KatrinaZ** who explained how the project is helping women in Nepal become more self-sufficient and she brought along a couple of fine examples of locally produced scarf and bag woven by the villagers there. Don't be surprised if you find them soon at **JulieM's** shop downtown!

SueB informs us that *Pony Express* who we support is having a fundraiser on June 6 at the Summerfield Theater, contact Sue for details. Don't forget that our end of the year party is coming up (“Faux Debunking”) – **JulieM** is hosting at her house and there is an “Evite” in your email box. **TraciR** tells us there is a Distribution Committee meeting next week.

Time for FUNdraising – **Giuliana's** partner Eric celebrated a birthday with fun dinner at *Rosso* where the little ones can design their own pizza. **TomC** visited Portland and St. Louis, **JoanG** had a quiet birthday weekend staying up very late just talking friends and she payed \$20 to not reveal the details. **JimWiesch** said a recent procedure made him ‘feel like a new man’ – wonder if there was CBD or THC involved? **DSepp** reports that he and Carol visited Vancouver which enchanted him so much he bought a book on the history of the Persian Empire to keep him alert. Our drawing for the \$100 prize went to one of our visitors who took wine home with her.

PROGRAM – “Good Morning Vietnam” –

TomC shared his memories of the journey that took him to Vietnam during the late 60's. Clearly heartfelt and further proof of the ability to find compelling programs from our own members. Be sure to ask him about the “Hero Rats” used to find landmines – fascinating story. Thanks Tom for sharing your story with all of us!

For those of you tired of the written word, they say a picture is worth 1000 words, so scroll down and enjoy 5000 words!



RUP Scholarships - 5 Young, Happy Faces + Larry & Brian



Unretouched Photo from "Reno Roadshow" (District Conference)



Barry C in Uganda trying to view last episode of GOT w/solar cooker



Barry C, Katrina Z with Rotary colleagues making a difference!



Tom Croft shares personal Vietnam Memories