



The MarRotagram

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Speakers

June 25, 2020
Shawn Taylor
Summary of Shawn's Year

July 02, 2020
Daneka Hedges
The 100th Year

PLEASE NOTE:

It is important that you RSVP for the meeting so that the Lafayette can prepare appropriately for our meeting.

This week there will be a buffet (served by Lafayette staff) which will take more time. Please arrive around 11:45- 11:50 when the Lafayette staff will begin serving.

The Lafayette has asked that we keep our milling about to a minimum and/or mind our social distancing.

Date: June 18, 2020

Invocation: Linda Steelman and Pat Peoples

Guests:- Justin Stalick, guest of Carrie Ankrom

- Janelle Patterson from the Marietta Times (who wrote a great article: June 19, Marietta Times).

Announcements:

-President Shawn thanked Laura Miller for writing the COVID Times over the last 3 months. Laura stated it was a collaborative effort and thanked all of those who had made contributions.

-June 25 we will be voting on 5 of 7 nominees for the Board of Directors.

- o McKenzie Allen
- o Laura Miller
- o Jacky Miner
- o Davis Powers
- o Dave Vandenberg
- o Vicky Wood
- o Suzy Zumwalde

-President Shawn announced that the upcoming officers for the 2021 year are:

- o President; Daneka Hedges
- o Pres, Elect/Treasurer; Terry Rataiczak
- o Secretary; Nikita Chidester
- o President Nominee; Danielle Bruni
- o Immediate Past President/Asst. to Treasurer; Shawn Taylor

-Although we were not able to have Safety Town this year, visit the Club's Face page to see Safety Sam's Tips of the Day. A special thank you to Cassie Pierce for scanning and uploading all of the content of the Safety town coloring book and Safety Tips.

-Heather Allender reminded the Club to RSVP for Andy Thompson's Memorial Service July 11, 11:00 AM.

Good News/Bad News:

- Bill White introduced the story of Gary O'Brien's phenomenal save of a dog suck in a storm drain, and then passed the platform to Gary. Gary retold the story of receiving a call from a hysterical woman in PA who had been up all night trying to

find someone to rescue her beloved pet. 24 hours after surgery, Gary rounded up his Buddy Travis, and one of Gary's tiniest office workers who was willing to be hoisted down an 18" drain pipe. The team met in PA and were able to reunite the owner and her dog. The rescue was featured in both the national and local news. Colleen Cook added after Gary shared; Gary didn't charge the woman a dime. Gary stated in a television interview, "During this tough time in our country, when there is so much that seems to be wrong, sometimes you just need to do the right thing." (loose interpretation of Gary's quote).

- Deana Clark had a Birthday and made a contribution.
- Tina Adams had an Anniversary and made a contribution.
- Dave Vandenberg celebrated a Birthday and an Anniversary and made a contribution.
- McKenzie Allen celebrated her 30th Birthday and made a contribution. She was quickly corrected by the club that she had her 23rd Birthday! (Wise guy!)
- Jennifer Sturgill thanked the Chamber of Commerce for all of their support during the COVID 19 pandemic, and reminded everyday that Green Acres, the cutest little shop in all the land, is now open.
- President Shawn had an Anniversary and made a contribution. He also announced that his son is being courted by Marietta College to play football, and the college pulled out all the stops to make all the potential student athletes feel special. Shawn also mentioned that Brady Ankrom, Carrie's son, is also being courted for the MC Football Team. Shawn said he was very grateful that Baseball is back!
- Carrie Ankrom announced that the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce was able to give away \$50,000 in grants for local small businesses in Marietta.
- Laura Miller shared on behalf of Alice who is still recovering from some physical ailments at home, that she is doing better, thankful for prayers and support and hopes to be back sometime soon. Alice also said that her husband is doing well right now, and would appreciate prayers that, when the time comes, his passing will be peaceful.

Sgt. At Arms: Bob Kirkbride

- Carrie Ankrom is so mean she forces people to join the Chamber of Commerce (after Carrie Stated they have a record number of over 600 businesses in the Chamber now).
- George Broughton was charged for being named an honorary Kiwanian for selling more tickets to the pancake breakfast than any of the Kiwanians.
- George received another fine for providing a pancake lunch to Artex Oil in McDonalds branded cups and plates.
- Gary O'Brien was honored for saving a dog and refusing any payment. Sgt At Arms Bob ordered one of George Broughton's dollars in the can to be given to Gary. Sgt. At Arms Bob explained why he kept picking on George; "When notorious bank robber Willie Sutton was asked why he robs banks, he said, 'that's where all the money is'."
- Forbes Magazine recently put out an article about the top banks in America. Out of 5,500 banks, Wesbanco (Peoples Bank's greatest rival) came in #7.
- Marietta College had been featured in an article in the Marietta Times stating that there are special plans for opening the college to students this fall. Sgt. At Arms Bob fined Bill Ruud stating, "The college has opened every fall for the last 185 years, so that's not really special is it?"
- After snooping on some private conversations, Sgt. At Arms Bob stated he overheard Linda Steelman saying she has a hard time remembering anymore why she walked into a room. Pat Peoples responded, "Why don't you get some of those new memory sole inserts for your shoes?"

Speaker: President Shawn Taylor

President Shawn stated that between the Coronavirus and racial tensions in America, the last 2 1/2 months have been very trying. Shawn reminded us that Rotarians are to be leaders in the community, and now is a good time to lead by example by encouraging our local peace officers and choosing to the right thing.

Next week will be President's Shawn recap of his year as President, then July 2 the new Board Members will be inducted as well as Daneka Hedges who will be our President for our Club's 100th year.

Split the Pot:

President Shawn Taylor won the weekly prize of \$37 and missed the jackpot of \$972.

