

The MarRotagram



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Speakers

August 20, 2020

Pat Peoples, Linda Steelman, Laura Miller & Bill White
Jim Starnier Memorial /
Membership Committee Report

August 27, 2020

Nathan Thomas (Zoom)
Solar Project in Uganda

September 03, 2020

David Brown, Amanda Altier & Aleece Dye
New Member Bios

September 10, 2020

Community Action

September 17, 2020

Dr. Bill Ruud
Back to School Plans

08/13/2020

Invocation: Charlotte Keim

Visiting Rotarians: none

Guests of Rotarians:

- Judge John Halliday, guest of Judge Mark Kerenyi
- Karissa Porter, guest of Mackenzie Allen
- Roger Coffman, guest of Flite Freimann
- Madison Kapple, guest of Amanda Altier

Announcements:

- Dave Vandenberg announced that the Rotary Club will be doing an international project to celebrate our centennial year. The project will provide electricity to a school in Uganda. Nathan Thomas, a Rotarian who started an effort to electrify schools and hospitals in Uganda, will be the guest presenter via Zoom in two weeks.
- The Rotary Board met on Tuesday and discussed potential new members.
- Members can request a leave of absence if not attending meetings due to health concerns because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Centennial Moment:

Charlotte Keim presented the history of club meetings. Did you know the Rotary used to be a singing club? After a song, the invocation was always done by an ordained minister. More recently the Pledge of Allegiance was added. Luncheon was served promptly at noon, which was a matter of pride for the Club. After lunch, a penny bucket was passed around and the Club would sing more songs together.

Good News / Bad News:

- George Broughton announced that his wife has a birthday today, and it is their 40th anniversary next week.
- Mark Kerenyi asked Club members to be more alert than usual on the roads, because his son just got a driver's license.
- Vicky Wood is glad that Washington State Community College students return next week.
- Bill Ruud is celebrating a 44th wedding anniversary and is also glad that Marietta College students start the semester on Monday.
- Colleen Cook reminded the Club that tomorrow is the 75th anniversary of VJ day, commemorating the victory over Japan and the end of World War II.
- Linda Steelman celebrated a birthday.
- Matt Evans has 2 daughters on the Varsity volleyball team this year.
- Shawn Taylor has 2 sons playing football at Warren High School this year. He was also pleased to announce that People's Bank was voted Best Bank in the MOV in the Reader's Choice awards.
- Flite Freimann announced that Washington County Jobs Center received a gold award for outreach to veterans, and a substantial grant to continue the program.
- Laura Miller is celebrating a birthday and her kids are flying home to celebrate with her.
- Larry Hiser announced the bad news that Marietta College teams won't be playing this fall, but the good news is that the games will be played in the winter semester.

Sgt. At Arms: Bob Kirkbride

- Mark Kerenyi was warned not to hear cases on his son's driving ability.
- One of the duties of the Sergeant-at-Arms Committee is to stamp out hypocrisy. Jacky Miner is fined for bragging about a snowflake trophy that Bob gave her, which she then complained about.
- Two tables were fined for being Quaker-like and seating all men. The ladies table, however, was excused.

Program:

Heather Warner presented about Go Packs, a local non-profit whose mission is to provide children in the Marietta City School District with nutritious food during school breaks. They also work to build the resources and support networks of families they help.

When the pandemic started, Go Packs sprang into action and has not stopped distributing food. Although children were out of school, they still managed to distribute food every week with the help of the Boys & Girls Club and Harvest of Hope. They also launched a summer feeding program for the first time and distributed 27,527 lb.s of food. Soon they will launch Go Packs Home Edition for homeschooling families. Although their spring fundraiser was cancelled, Go Packs has received funding from various churches, organizations, individuals, and grants.

Next week's program will be Jim Starner Memorial, and Committee Reports.

Split the Pot winner is Vicky Wood, who won the daily pot of \$64, but missed (or won) the jackpot of \$1,367. With 9 cards left, the game goes on.

