

THE ROTARY CLUB OF MYSTIC

Mystic Hilton, 20 Coogan Blvd. Mystic, CT. 06355



August 12, 2019

Edited by the LOG committee

President Bill Smith opened the meeting of August 5, 2019. Peter Stuart led us in singing, *“God Bless America”*, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the Four-Way Test.

GUESTS: Jack Solomon, District Gov.; John Silsby, Asst. Gov.; Rita Krone Kramer; Anni Burbank; Matt & Jill Beaudoin, Mystic Knotworks; Andrew Burbank; Kris Burbank

Happy / Sad: \$30;; Polio: \$10 ; Scholar \$15 ; Nambale School \$7. Dave Cruthers won the Raffle, but failed to draw the Ace of Spades.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- If anyone has suggestions on meeting speakers, please contact Jenn Baudro, our meeting coordinator or Bill Smith, President.
- **Sept. 7th at 10:00 a.m.** there will be a **Special Board Meeting** at the home of Nancy MacMillan (38 Shea Drive, Pawcatuck, CT 06379) to “fine tune” our club direction and mission. **Please RSVP your ability to attend to: nanmac07@sbcglobal.net**
- Our club sponsorship for last Monday’s “Blues Monday” at the Mystic River Park was a wonderful success! Over 500 in attendance with good club attendance. Great “public awareness” of Rotary Club of Mystic achieved through attendance of members, signage, announcements, etc.

HAPPY-SAD (Ted Kietzman acting as Sargent at Arms) – Nancy was unable to stay for this part of the meeting so we are leaving this part of the log blank.

ROSTER & LOG UPDATES:

Please give any new contact information to Nancy MacMillan by emailing: nanmac07@sbcglobal.net

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Aug. 15: Barry Saluk celebrates a birthday

Aug. 8: Biddle & Joann Morris celebrate an anniversary

SYNOPSIS OF PROGRAM:

Kris Burbank (daughter-in-law of member Don Burbank), presented a program about *Woofgang & Co.*, a nonprofit organization driven by a single purpose: to help young adults with disabilities succeed.

Established in 2017 and located in Fairfield, CT, their focus is on the limited employment opportunities available to individuals with disabilities. Their organization provides vocational training to young people ages 18+ with physical, intellectual and developmental disabilities. Their team works to achieve the invaluable independence and sense of worth we all feel when successful and productive. It also provides pets and the people who love them with high quality, gluten-free treats and novelty items, hand-crafted with passion and purpose.

You may visit their retail store at 1300 Post Road in downtown Fairfield, CT. And, to learn more about Woofgang & Co., or to make a tax-deductible contribution to this 501(c)3 organization, visit www.woofgangco.org

Our second speaker, District Gov. Jack Solomon, reminded everyone of the upcoming District Conference in April, 2020. He covered the importance of growing all Rotary Clubs and what can assist clubs with membership retention, vital programming, increased community service, and importance of club flexibility and engagement and service to and among ALL age groups.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

“May I never get too busy in my own affairs that I fail to respond to the needs of others with kindness and compassion.” – Thomas Jefferson