

## Minutes of October 8, 2009 meeting

50-50: Reinhardt Bruderer Pledge: Mary-Jo Horton Prayer: Ed Vossen

President Rocco called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM. Just a reminder to let you know there is a Board of Directors Meeting tomorrow morning at 8:00 AM at Monarch CC. All members are welcome.

Club President Rocco welcomed everyone and immediately went to the business of the day, Club Committee Reports.

Club Service: was the 1st topic of the morning and the report was presented by Keith Charlton. With the recent successful Club Corp Charity event under our belt Keith reminded everyone that the next major event will be the RALLY to be held in 2010 and will be ably chaired by Diane Scott.

Rotary Foundation: Mary-Jo mentioned that the club's involvement for a small amount of effort will bring in approximately \$1,000 per election. With two scheduled for 2010 (August 10<sup>th</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>) the members were asked if they would support the necessary effort to fulfill our obligation. A motion was made by Bob Gilmour and the vote was unanimous to continue adopting a precinct. All we now need is for some news folks to step up and help with this effort.

Mary-Jo announced the members that achieved double sustaining membership for the 2008 year: Bruderer, Buckley, Damon, Gilmour, Isadore, Langhorne, Taylor, Van Curen, Whittington and Mary-Jo were the recipients.

Membership: was not represented by John Gonzalez this morning. His stand-in, Dave Shoaf mentioned that the club will be participating in the Palm City Chambers- Fall festival. Volunteers were asked for October 17<sup>th</sup> (Saturday). (I called Michelle at the Chamber in hopes of having the club next to our Subaru booths but the booths had already been assigned and their locations were etched in stone)

Speaking of membership, a new member, Mike Mulligan was inducted into the club. Mike is a resident of Monarch Country Club and originally hails from Brooklyn, NY. Mike has been married for 37 years and has a married son. Please welcome Mike into our club.

Two additions were introduced, one being the return of Ray Robison and the other the transfer of Harry Pelton from the Noon Club. Harry was in banking for 32 years and retired in 1992. Between he and his wife they have 8 children, none joint, and 17 grandchildren. Welcome back Ray and a warm welcome to Harry as well.

<u>Vocational Service</u>: Jim Peppler broached the subject of our personal history channel presentations that some were good at and some loathed giving. It will be the focus of getting back to the roots of the club, that being the concept of having members from different occupations sharing interest and information about their chosen fields. Be prepared to take part in this new direction.

Community Service: Danielle Lupulio briefed everyone on her programs. The dictionary project will take place late October and some 878 dictionaries will be labeled and delivered at soon the disclosed date.

White Doves- the club has been involved over the years with this United Way project. Lately, the family information has been late coming and sufficient time has been an issue with preparing properly. This year we will go directly to the local schools to fine our families and hopefully this will work out better.

Adopt a road is being considered and we will be given three choices of roads to choose from.

Rosie, the Forestry contact has an event October 24<sup>th</sup> that may require some volunteers. Mark your calendar.

Literacy Program: Sue Mc Veigh as part of the Community Service Program mentioned a drive for paperback books for our Armed Forces. Details will follow.

Youth Services: Audrey Ballantyne wished everyone a "Good Morning, Rotarians" in her Jamaican accent (What accent?) There will be a series of talks that will require about 40 minutes of your time for the following months and subjects:

October......Business
November......Finance
December......Real Estate
January......Insurance
February......Law and the Workplace

The students are most anxious to hear from us. Get involved and help a child grow.

Adopt-A-Child: retirees, you can be a mentor spending as little as an hour a week mentoring a child.

Youth Forum: the students and schools that were involved last year are anxiously waiting for their opportunity to compete in this year's presentation. The topics will be Unemployment and the Housing Crisis.

The Stuart Community High School is looking to start their own Interact Club.

Rotary Foundation: Jim Taylor mentioned that funds were not where they should be and we will be offering two students for the Guatemala Tomorrow Fund exchange or funding at a cost of \$720-\$750 per student.

The shelter box was discussed and at a cost of \$1,000 Jim will coordinate with the other clubs to see if there is interest in doing something jointly.

Family of Rotary: Butch Bayley mentioned that there were two trips or events that will be on the calendar for the near future. One being an ecological boat trip and the 2<sup>nd</sup> a trip to the Navy Seal Museum in Fort Pierce.

## http://www.navysealmuseum.com/index.php

Regarding the Red-Neck Tenors concert on November 5, some 116 tickets have been purchased by our club and 70 tickets from the Noon Club. Looks like this is going to be a great event. Butch are you prepared for the onslaught?

For our final report of the day,

<u>Diane Scott</u>: chair of the Rally, mentioned that we should be thinking about being involved with different aspects of the event. These are as follows:

Route , Emails, Sponsorship, Ticket Sales and prizes.

The drawing for the 50-50, with the total pot now being \$358.00 was won by Jim Taylor. Jim drew the 7 of Hearts. Now is the time to start buying more tickets as the odds are growing in your favor. Come on now, help support our scholarship program with your 50-50 \$'s!