

Meeting of March 18, 2010

50-50: Ed Vossen Pledge: Jim Horstman Prayer: Doyle Richardson

<u>President Roc Fiore</u>: Opened the meeting at 7:30 AM sharp. Our president asked John Gonzalez to give his vocational talk this morning. John gave an update of the current real estate market here on the Treasure Coast. Not too uplifting but perhaps we have hit bottom and in the not to distant future real estate will again start acting in a normal way.

Marge Isadore: went over efforts so far for our Road Rally. Tickets have been distributed and Marge asked that everyone put in an effort toward this our major fund raiser for the year. Marge thanked Ken Furcron for his dedicated work in providing printed matter for our event. The Rally will have a 9:00 AM start. 37 car were entered last year. This year, much of the hard goods have been donated so our costs are minimal. This means we should be able to maximize our return. If everyone sold their ticket allotment the event will be a huge success. It seems that we are behind last years event total and a final big push is needed. If not, we will not be able to keep our clubs commitment for our scholarship awards.
<u>President Fiore</u> : reminded members that the annual District Conference will be taking place once again on Hutchinson Island. I noted in the newsletter sent ou by the district that the guest speaker Saturday evening will be John Walsh of America's Most Wanted fame. Ticket interest will be strong so get your reservations in early.
Beth Davis: announced that this years date for the Club Corp Charity Golf tournament will be October 2nd. Put this date on your calendar now so that our club can maximize the funds that we receive from being a named beneficiary.
Adopt A Road effort will be this Saturday, 8:00AM at the Riverside Bank office located on Mapp Road. If Charlie Belmont can make it on his 90th birthday, you certainly should be able to pitch in and help with this club project.
<u>John Gonzalez</u> : our sergeant-at-arms greeted visiting Rotarians and guests. Among the guests was Eve Samples, a columnist for the Stuart News.
Susan Mc Veigh: Introduced our guest speaker this morning. Our own Charles Belmont, who will be celebrating his 90th birthday this Saturday, was a keynote
speaker. Sue geared the program toward Rotary's Literacy Month. Charlie has been a volunteer at Sand Hill Cove and has taught employees of Sand Hill Cove how to read and write. Charlie has been active in the literacy field since his retirement in 1981.
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The 50-50 drawing was won by Dave Shoaf. Dave drew the

and the pot continues to grow.