

August 3, 2015 Meeting opened by at 7:30 Pledge led by Mike Costopoulos, Prayer by Harry Lerch, 50-50 sold by Jack Langhorne

Today's meeting: club assembly; Rotarians are generally seated according to their committee assignments.

Rocco Fiore distributed a sign-up sheet for volunteers to pour beer at the Craft Beer Festival at the County Fair Grounds on Saturday September 26 from 1-5 to benefit the ARC of Martin County.

Sergeant at Arms John kicked off Happy Bucks with a buck in honor for the beginning of the football season. Other bucks were given including some by Tom Keane for his new grandson, and the completion of his babysitting assignment for his 2 year old grandson. Paul contributed for his return from Mauritius and Brenda's new tattoo; they both recommend the island as a great place to visit. Happy bucks were also contributed in honor of the initial introductory meeting of our new Interact Club at the Clark Advanced Learning Center and general happiness all around.

Jenny led a Club Assembly discussion of a number of timely Rotary developments and issues. She discussed the MY ROTARY web page, and how to sign in to it. Kathy Lockhart gave personal instruction on the fine points . Each Rotarian can find his or her Rotary number in the mailing label on their Rotarian Magazine.

Kathy will assist anyone who needs help in registering at MY ROTARY.

Jenny discussed MEMBERSHIP. We have a goal of a 10% net increase. As of July 1, we had 48 members but 4 have resigned due to health or job/family conflicts. Sue circulated our updated Introduction to Rotary brochure, and asked members to meet personally with friends and business associates to urge them to join us.

Jenny circulated and discussed a Draft STRATEGIC PLAN. She invited comments and additions to all. There was a general consensus to accept it as presented.

Hap Mills is heading our 3RD GRADE DICTIONARY DISTRIBUTION. Hap named 5 coordinators, one for each elementary school in our area (Bessey Creek, Pinewood, Palm City, Crystal Lake, and Citrus Grove). Hap asked each coordinator to contact their school and get back to him with the number of third graders in each of their schools. He will move forward to order the necessary number of dictionaries.

Tom Whittington reported on BE A TOURIST IN STUART. 100 tickets are out, and the second 100 will be here next week. Further prize donations are still welcome. He asked everyone to focus on raffle ticket sales, and particularly to encourage our friends and business associates to sign up for the CLUB CORP CLASSIC which will be held at Monarch on Friday, October 9th. People sponsoring foursomes and their guests are likely prospects for Raffle Tickets. A ticket to the Club Corp Classic gets you golf, lunch, heavy hors d'oeuvres, open bar and the awards ceremony, a return round of golf at Monarch and each other Club Corp courses in Florida for the following year.

Next week's meeting will feature a leader of the upcoming 25th Anniversary Car Festival Display at the Elliott Museum.

The 50-50 was won by Jim Taylor

Editor Harry Lerch substituting for Dave Shoaf, today's Assistant Editor: Sue Whittington.

