



May 10, 2018

Pledge was led by HB and the prayer was offered by Elmira. Our President-Elect Mike Costopoulos presided at the meeting – and really shook things up! He thanked the club members who attended the PETS III district meeting last week at Club Med – Robert Wesch, Rock Fiore, Dave Shoaf and Mikel

Check out last Monday's Luminaries for a great article on our Tree Planting in Martin County. Thanks, Kathy and ace photographer Paul!

Just Horsin' around!

Rock Fiore introduced our speaker. – Dolores Kennedy, a volunteer with the Equine Rescue and Adoption Foundation in Palm City. The group is devoted to the rescue, rehabilitation and adoption for abused, abandoned and neglected horses. The group was formed in 2000 and has acquired 17 acres in Palm City. Today they are home for 50 horses who are recovering from abuse and lack of care.

Dolores surprised the club with a miniature horse that is recovering at the facility. Known as Harry, the horse is a paint with beautiful markings and a lovely coat that comes from the attention and dedication of the volunteers on the staff.

Volunteers are needed for tasks ranging from cleaning stalls & paddocks, grooming horses and helping the 3 full time staff. Tasks include fence construction, to massage therapy for the recovering horses. Children 16 and older are invited to volunteer if they are accompanied by an adult volunteer. Volunteers can work for a few hours a week to whatever their schedule permits.

They have had 2 foals born at the facility recently and those as well as recovered horses are available for adoption. For more information go to the website at www.eraf.org.

Happy and Sad

Dave G and Dave Seyffart manned the bed pan collection today.

We welcomed guest Kim Carr, local realtor.

Sue had several bucks for early leaver Tom W who had to go see a man about a boat! Jim Taylor had a happy buck for an Eagle's Win earlier this year. Hap and Jane had happy bucks for their Son-in-law's help over the weekend at their place. Ellen is heading to Ireland, Dan is going to Cleveland and the Shenandoah Valley, and Harry had a birthday check for the SSR Foundation. Gene celebrated the graduation of one of his grands from TCU. HB returned from the Keys to report that the recovery is going well but the insurers seem to be a little slow in paying claims. Keith has to go out of town next week but Hap is keeping the club treasury here. Oh, and Brenda and Paul are going to Gabby's Wedding in Hendersonville NEXT week, not this year. (Gabby and her spouse are heading to Gainesville to work on their PhDs). Dave Seyffart gave a Foundation gift in memory of his Mother.

Dave G. reminded everyone about the Crawfish Boil at his house next week, the 19th!

RI Annual Report is out!

Dave Shoaf mentioned that Rotary International is now up to 1,202,937 members with the addition of 883 new clubs last year. We performed 30,000 service projects around the world and more than 24 million volunteer hours. For more info check out https://www.rotary.org/en/annual-report-2017.

Habitat Build Day set for June 2.

Rock announced a chance to work on a new house under construction in Indiantown. We need 10 volunteers so check your calendar and contact Rock (<u>rfiore@comcast.net</u>).

50-50 was sold by Hap and won by Dave Shoaf (again!)

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