March 27, 2007

Paul Sawtell & David Coyle

Today's Meeting

Les Janka "Middle East Opportunities and Challenges"

Mr. Janka is a former senior staff member of the National Security Council and special assistant to Dr. Henry Kissinger. He now is principal of an international consulting firm assisting U.S. corporations operating in the Middle East.

Announcements

Friends of McLean Community Center needs new, interested Board Members. **Matt Wallace** discussed Tysons Tunnel project. **Betsy Schatz** of Langley Residential Support Services thanked the Club for its continued support. **Ed Shahin** is putting together a directory of recommended service providers.

Visiting Rotarians

Thamir Al'Hashimi of Stone Oak, TX

Guests

Wolmi Greene, *a guest of* Scott Mills Bob Rosenbaum, Jr., *a guest of* John Rosenbaum

Last Week

Last Tuesday Ed Shahin and Rev. Robert Driver-Bishop made their classification talks. Ed, the media star, has earned much attention for taking up piano at age 72, he has been on NBC, in the NARFE publication and on Retirement Living Channel as an example of active seniors. **Reverend** Driver-Bishop grew up in Panama Canal Zone and learned jungle survival as a kid (he 'walks with the iguana"). He worked a career and later attended Lutheran Seminary and came to McLean as Pastor last year.

Just For Laughs

Q. Why is everyone so tired on April 1?

A. Because they've just finished a long, 31 day March!

Upcoming Speakers

April 10, 2007 District 7610 *"GSE Team Presentation "* April 17, 2007 *Sara Keenan Rohling "Shelter House"*

Happy Talk

Cherry Baumbusch went to London Rotary Club. Jamie Bleakley took his son to see the Globetrotters at the Patriot Center. Matt **Wallace** is happy the Cubs are winning in spring training. Paul Frank participated with McLean Orchestra Patron's Gala, as MC, and was happy to see many Rotarians there. **Chuck Thornton's** son is working for a palm oil renewable resource company in Dominican Republic. **Bob** Rosenbaum's second granddaughter is on the way (he received a cell phone call at the end of Happy Talk that she was born). Vance Zavela won an IPOD at the Caps game last week. Paul **Sawtell** is happy that his alma mater, Southern Illinois Univ. is in NCAA Sweet 16, they beat Tech to get there. **Thamir Al'Hashimi** is happy to be returning to McLean. Tin Lay has attended her second Rotary meeting of the day, she was in Burke this morning.