

From the Editor's Desk:

Our Shredding day was a success but we can probably do even better, with better publicity. The Board thanks everyone who participated, and the weather was absolutely perfect. We might do this again, fairly soon. Other clubs have found multiple shredding days seem to work out quite well. Even with all of the electronic data going around, we still use a lot of paper.

Ralph

Tary's Rotary Minute:

A number of years ago, our club decided to engage in a Roger's Park beautification project. We did some work ourselves, and had work done to restore the land around the skating pond, planting shrubs and trees, and creating walking paths throughout the area.



Then in 1965 our club and the Danbury Garden club announced that they were supporting the idea of planting cherry trees that would be located along the roads in Roger's Park.

Walking by the area today, it looks like it's time to do some additional clean-up work. Anyone interested in following up on this?

Tary



1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Your Editor told a few "Fireside" Stories, The Meeting was Virtual again, and We all Currently Remain Well:



Unfortunately, Barry Rickert was unable to tell a few of his choice firefighter stories due to other commitments,

so your Editor filled in. The club heard about me saving my grand parents home when I was 9 after seeing the front bedroom on fire coming back from trick or treating, watching a field catch fire from the railroad weed burner, diving on sharks in Belize with my wife, creating neighborhood panic when a group of us kids made some toy ships, blew them up with a cup of kerosene and firecracker showering the crowd with flames, discovery of a live bomb in a neighbor's basement, and being shot by my mother-in-law (unintentionally).

I urged other club members to come forward with unique experiences of their own—and we'll hear from Barry soon.

Meeting attendees were l to r: *Perry Salvagne, Bob Vetter, Jim Gargan, Jeff Kasss, Tary Tarlton. Frank Scahill, Mike Kan, and Peter Maier. Mark Havira was audio only.*



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Stay Well!



SELL YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS!

DRAWING IS DEC. 2ND

- FIRST PRIZE IS \$2,000
- 16 PRIZES TO BE WON
- YOU CAN SELL YOUR TICKETS ON LINE
- WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION

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Speakers:

9/23 Ron Holtz- Rotary District 7980, on Membership with COVID
10/7 Richard Land, Elder Law
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SERVICE ABOVE SELF

IN 2005 THE WEICHTIER JES JAHRES, A GERMAN NATURE SOCIETY, NAMED THE LIMUS MAXIMUS THE SLUG OF THE YEAR. I SAW ONE FOR THE FIRST TIME, TWO DAYS AGO ON THE FRONT PORCH, IN REDDING--

Also known as the Giant Garden Slug, and the Leopard Slug, this European native is now worldwide. It can grow up to 6 inches in length, although the one I saw was about 4 to 5 inches long. It is both a pest and also helpful. It will eat ornamentals, but also other slugs—mostly the latter so many gardeners allow it to remain in their gardens. It can move relatively fast for a slug—up to 4 times faster than the ordinary garden variety. Its courting habits are unusual, with two slugs (they are hermaphrodites) creating a rope, then dangling from the branch of a tree on a thin web like strand. For some reason, they frequent large cities, and are food for turtles, toads, birds, and some large beetles. *Ed. Ralph S. Welsh*



Shredding Day:

It was a great fellowship event, above and beyond being a fundraiser:

