

“The Mirror”

CHARLOTTE ROTARY CLUB – 9/17/2019

GREETER: We greeted each other as we arrived.

INVOCATION: Brian Lautzenheiser led us in prayer.

SINGING: We sang “Smile” and a rousing long-version “Happy Birthday” to Julie O’Neill, Tim Johnson, Carrie Burch, and Anthony Faulkner.

VISITING ROTARIANS: None.

GUESTS: Michael Armitage brought fellow Eaton County 911 colleague, Robert Stahelin.

JR. ROTARIANS: Our Jr. Rotarians for September are **Ashley Friar** and **Justin Dykstra**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ★ District Raffle Tickets are available for \$25 for the event held Wednesday, October 30 at Walldorff Brew Pub in Hastings, MI. Money raised through the raffle eventually comes back to our home club. Ticket purchases can be billed through our quarterly billing. Our club always sells all of our tickets, so BUY ONE!
- ★ Greg Nitchman will be running the Adopt a Highway this Saturday. Join the fun.
- ★ Sam Davis reported 791 tickets sold for the duck race. The winning ticket belonged to Bob Leeser’s son-in-law.
- ★ The board voted to donate all funds from the duck race to the Crosswalk Teen Center for needed technology improvements.
- ★ Starting with July’s board meeting, board minutes will be emailed to all members when available.
- ★ Joe Pray announced that CharlotteRising will hold their annual meeting at the new Time Piece Park. During the meeting, the group will plant flowers in preparation for the park’s upcoming grand opening.
- ★ October 24 is World Polio Day. Our club is challenging the Hastings Club in Pints for Polio, which will be a fundraising competition that involves beer. Our event will be held at the Charlotte Brewing Company that evening.
- ★ Finally, Chuck thanked the club for the love and support shown, including the pass the hat donation for Polio, to him and his family during the funeral services for his mother, Katherine.

SPOTLIGHT: Don Sovey is married to Ann, a licensed counselor operating New Horizons counseling services. His son, Chris, holds a doctorate in Physical Therapy and practices in Old Town Lansing. His daughter, Jennifer, works as a stem facilitator at a school district in California. Don served 34 years with Charlotte Public Schools, retiring in 2011 and starting his own advising firm. He current works as a financial consultant with 8 school districts in Michigan and conducts educational seminars through the state association for Superintendants. Personally, Don is an avid guitar player since learning at the age of 10. He plays in the Battle Creek, Kalamazoo, and Toledo symphonies as well as playing in various other Broadway musical shows, including the upcoming Charlotte High School Seussical the Musical. He enjoys the outdoors, especially kayaking and hiking, and is very proud of Charlotte Public Schools. He encouraged us all to support the schools, and to increase our networking opportunities at rotary by sitting at different tables. Finally, he works closely on cultivating quality candidates for Charlotte City Council, serves on the newly formed

Charlotte Festival Alliance, and is a founding member of CANDO, CPAC, and was instrumental in the construction of the new middle school and the aquatic center.

NEW MEMBER: Gregg Geutschow formally inducted our new Charlotte Public Schools Superintendent, Dr. Many Stewart, into full membership with our club. Welcome Mandy! Thank you Lee Wheaton for sponsoring!



50 / 50: Sam Davis won \$38.

SGT-AT-ARMS: Amy Gilson took charge, first collecting the requisite tax on the 50/50 winnings from Sam. She moved onto President Chuck, putting him on the spot to give an update on the club email survey – we are awaiting results from the satellite club. Then on to Tyler Pray and Len Kilgore, making an example of the two gentlemen for not properly reciting the life stories of the Junior Rotarians when making the introductions. She got one from Tim Reed for “mouthing off,” and collected a single happy dollar from Chuck Archer for the completion of the remodel of his office on Bostwick. Finally, she welcomed our new member, Mandy Stewart, with a savage choice – either sing in front of everyone, or pay a buck. Cindy Anderson bailed her out and paid the money.

PROGRAM: Due to a last-minute cancellation of our program, Ed Foster took the helm and gave us a tour of the DacDb site and the accompanying mobile app. Just so you know, Ed is a level 9, reaching far deeper into the mysterious recesses of the DacDb, than any other Charlotte Rotary Club before him. The point is, Ed can help get you set up if you are having trouble utilizing the system.

NEXT MEETING – September 24, 2019 – Doug Buck, Read-To-Me

Until next time,

JTP

| <u>SEPTEMBER DUTIES</u> | |
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| ATTENDANCE | Eric Crandall |
| GREETER | Anthony Faulkner |
| INVOCATION | Brian Lautzenheiser |
| MIRROR | Tyler Pray |
| SINGING | Chuck Archer |
| SGT-AT-ARMS | Amy Gilson (Barrel) |
| | John Newland (50/50) |
| | Paul Tomasek (S&T) |

| CHARLOTTE ROTARY | |
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| <u>PROGRAM SCHEDULE 2019 - 2020</u> | |
| Oct 01 | – Invocation – Wally Miars |
| Oct 08 | – Membership – Gregg Guetschow (+ 10) |
| Oct 15 | – Sgt-at-Arms – Tyler Pray |
| Oct 22 | – Polio Eradication – Ed Foster |
| Oct 29 | – Red Badge – Sam Davis |
| Nov 05 | – Community Pride – Carrie Burch |
| Nov 12 | – Fund Raising – |
| Nov 19 | – Rural/Urban – Lee Wheaton |
| Nov 22 | – Annual Fundraiser Reverse Raffle (Please note this is a Friday night) – Sam Davis |
| Nov 26 | – NO MEETING DUE TO FUNDRAISER ON THE 7th |
| Dec 03 | – Sports Committee – Mike Friar |
| Dec 10 | – Music – Chuck Archer – GFWC Choir (+ 20) |
| Dec 17 | – Historical/Remembrance – Joe Pray |
| Dec 24 | – NO MEETING (?) |
| Dec 31 | – NO MEETING (?) |