

Rotary



Club of Tiffin

Rotary Learns About GriefShare

By Robert Lee Martin



President Mimi Johnston opened the August 20th meeting at the Chandelier Event Center. Rev. Phil Moerdyk gave the opening prayer.

Guests/Attendance:

Guests today included Judy Dezse from the Pan Yan Bookstore. Attendance today was 26. Celebrating birthdays were Susan Jones, Nancy Weaver and Charlene Thomas. The Basket Fund raised \$29. Anne Lange DeVine won the Weekly Drawing and Nikki Distel won the Free Lunch.

Committee Reports:

Anne Lange DeVine, Social Chair, said she needs some volunteers for Downtown Trivia. She would also like some volunteers for the committee. Dave Wieninger, reminded everyone that our next service opportunity is September 14, 8:45-11:30 am for the Sandusky River Sweep. Let Dave know if you can help. Dave also noted that he and several other Rotarians are going to speak with John Riehm this Friday to see if Rotary can help them in any way as a result of their fire. Mimi reported that she has secured volunteers from both TU and Heidelberg. As a group, we may be able to help them with a Farm event. Dave and Mimi will let us know. Fundraising Chair Beth Schweitzer asked for volunteers to call potential sponsors of our October event. Contact Beth if you can help or put your name by some names on the potential sponsor list going around at our meetings. Beth also reported that the Rotary Foundation is considering changing our ByLaws to include being able to conduct Foundation business via Zoom and/or email.

Sarge's Report:

Sarge Tom had a Happy Dollar for his oldest daughter who got a job assisting the Tiffin City Schools Psychologist. Bryce had a HD for Judy Dezse who is also the new facilitator for the CEO program. Sarah had a couple for her daughters going back to school. Gina and her husband just bought a Jeep and found that they are now in a Jeep Club, and received their first duck. Nancy S. had a couple for her expecting her first granddaughter and one for the money she will soon save in food as her 6th, 215-pound son has now gone to college.

Program:

Our program today featured Beth Nahm and Peggy Moerdyk from Family of Faith Church. They were here today to talk about the GriefShare program they conduct twice a year at their church. They started out with a video that highlighted the various stages go through after the death of a loved one and how they feel. Beth had personal experience with that after losing her husband. She found out about the program while searching online and attended a class held in Findlay. She was so impressed with it that she told her pastor's wife, Peggy, about it. Peggy had had her own experience having lost her mom when she was 12. Together, they took it to Pastor Moerdyk, and they all agreed it would be worthwhile for their church to offer that program. Since their first class, they have had about 150 people go through it. Their church runs it from February - May and again in August - November. They meet once a week in the evening for about two hours. The only cost is \$20 for the workbook they use. They also host a program in November called Surviving the Holidays. Peggy and Beth are the facilitators for these programs. They stressed that though GriefShare is a faith-based program, it is not a Family of Faith initiative and people from any religious background are welcome. For more information, go to: www.info@griefshare.org.

Club Meeting

Tiffin meets at the Chandelier Event Center, 155 S. Washington St., Tiffin, OH 44883

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Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

Speakers

August 27, 2024

[Lee Martin, Club Secretary](#)
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September 03, 2024

[Charlene Thomas](#)
Growing Up on Lake Erie

September 10, 2024

[Deb Cheney](#)
Waterville Blues, Brews & Brats

September 17, 2024

[Brenda Luhning](#)
Current State of Education in Ohio

September 24, 2024

[Tim Ryan, District Governor](#)
Annual District 6600 Governor Visit

Birthdays

Charlene F. Thomas
August 24th

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