

Rotary



Club of Tiffin

Dave Spridgeon Talks Business

By Lee Martin on Monday, January 9, 2023



First vice president Amber Stover opened the January 3rd meeting at Camden Falls. Chris Lewis offered the invocation. Unfortunately for Tiffin Rotary, long-time Executive Secretary Rosalie Distel, addressed the club to announce her retirement in March 2023. Fortunately for the club, she remarked that she will stay involved in club's activities. Rosalie was hired by Past District Governor Keith Hodkinson in 2013 and has done a stellar job of keeping Tiffin Rotary on track and operating effectively. Her welcoming smile and efficient, behind-the-scenes administrative abilities will be greatly missed. As a testimony to how much we appreciate her, the Club stood and offered her a standing ovation and wished her the very best in her future years.

Guests/Attendance/Drawings:

Jim Fruth hosted Zack Fowler. Attendance today was 23. Celebrating a birthday this week is Charlie Hayward. The Basket Fund raised \$46. The Weekly Drawing was won by Kelly Hohman and the Free Lunch by Jim Fruth.

Committee Reports:

Derek Sidor, club Treasurer, reviewed the club's dues initiative and asked for a ballot vote. The vote was taken and the dues increase was unanimously approved. PDG Keith Hodkinson reported that the Leadership Institute will be held in Fremont on Saturday, January 13. It will also be on Zoom. For more information, go to DACdb's Calendar.

Sarge's Report:

Assistant Sarge Kelly Hohman had a dollar to thank Rosalie for her years of service and announced that she had four tickets to River Dance in Cleveland that she cannot use. If interested, contact Kelly. Dave S. had one for being thankful that he didn't have to listen to Hail to the Victors. Keith had a couple: one for Rosalie and a Sad Dollar for his dog, Ringo, who blew out his knee. Jim F. had one for Keith who reminded him of long-time Rotarian Jack Wangler. Chris had one for UW surpassing 20% of its goal and Matt had one for Apple Pay which rescued his kids who were in Florida with the Marion marching band but forgot their money. Nancy W., via Zoom from Venice, FL, encouraged Tiffin Rotarians to participate in Venice's Duck Pluck, which supports local charities.

Program:

Our Program for today featured Rotarian and business entrepreneur Dave Spridgeon. Dave noted that he and a

Club Meeting

Tiffin Meemts at
Camden Falls
Reception &
Conference Center
2460 SR 231
Tiffin, OH 44883or
via Zoom

Time: Tuesday at
12:00 PM

Speakers

January 10, 2023
[Ben Richards -
Superintendent of
TCS](#)

January 17, 2023
[T-SEP Aaron Montz,
Adam Gillmore,
Corina Haynes, &
Carol Owen](#)
discuss all the new
faces with TSEP and
what is to come

January 24, 2023
[Joan Zimmerman -
Tiffin Flea Market
Tiffin Flea Market](#)

January 31, 2023
[Ian Rammel with
GRITT-MMA
GRITT-MMA](#)

**February 07,
2023**
[Trisha Flint - ROX
ROX](#)

Birthdays

Charlie Hayward
January 6th

good friend started the Bourbon Affair in Findlay. One night Dave was visited by Tiffin residents Suzie and Wes Reinbolt who asked Dave to take a tour of Tiffin with them with the hope of potentially opening a bourbon bar in downtown Tiffin. Dave took the tour and the rest is history. The Renaissance of Tiffin, a bar featuring bourbons and so much more, is now located in the former DP's in downtown Tiffin. The bar is so successful that the City and TSEP both have 24-hour access in order to show it to people interested in developing businesses in Tiffin. When Covid came along, Dave thought that all was lost, but in retrospect, that was the turning point for future development. It spurred him into developing a pink panel truck discovered by his wife, into the locally famous Pink Lady food truck. His son then found a party bus which they bought. After that they bought a limo for weddings and other special events. Then they bought another party bus and all three are booked months in advance. Then one day Diane Hassinger, owner of Jolly's, told him she was ready to retire and move to where her grandkids lived. He took her up on the offer and bought and renovated Jolly's, another very popular, long-time establishment in Tiffin. Dave hopes that in the not-too-distant future, he will be able to move Jolly's to a location that would accommodate bringing back Jolly's famous carhops. His most recent venture came about through National Machinery owner and local developer Andrew Kalnow who is restoring many of the Frost Parkway homes. Andrew explained to Dave that he needed an "anchor" in his Frost Village and wondered if Dave might be interested. After thinking about it, Dave decided he was interested and is now developing Frost Deli in the building formerly occupied by Draperies By Dawn. He hopes to open it in February or March. One of his trade secrets is that many of his employees are familiar with all his businesses and can be scheduled at multiple locations making his operations run more efficiently. Dave loves what he does, loves Tiffin, and doesn't think he will ever retire. He's just having too much fun!



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