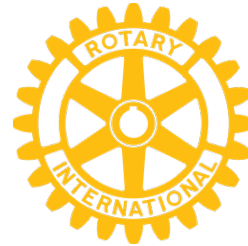


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Club of Morehead City-Noon



Saturday, March 2, 2024

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Minutes of the Meeting Feb 27 2024

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The meeting was called to order by President Tom Hussman.

Prayer â€" Bill Taylor

Pledge - Dennis Marquardt

4 Way Test - Jim Kraft

Happy Dollars â€" Charlton Burns

There were two visitors: Kurt Rogerson and Monica Blocker, the new Walmart Manager. Plus our Honorary member Jane Capps.



Monica indicated her interest to join the Club and let e us know a little bit about herself.



Foundation Chairman Dale Elks presented Sharon Garner with her Paul Harris Fellow pin Plus 1. Sharon told about her trip to Brazil with a Rotary sponsored group in 2004. It was after that trip that a Rotarian Walter Davis



[Stephen K Sullivan](#)
Club Director

Birthdays

Dale L Elks
March 6th
Randall Parker
March 7th
Diane Carolyn
Warrender
March 8th
William R. Rogerson
March 12th
Travis W Brady
March 17th
John M. Smith
March 24th

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding
Anniversaries Found

sponsored group in 2007. It was after that trip that a Rotarian, Walter Davis asked her to come visit the Noon club and become a member. After several attempts by Walter, she finally agreed to attend and has never regretted that decision and greatly values her Rotarian friends.




Dale called up to the podium Gene McClendon to receive his Paul Harris Fellow pin Plus 5. Congratulations Gene!

There were no up dates from the Membership or Fund Raising Committees.

Diane asked for volunteers for serving meals at Hope Mission for the last Monday of March. Sharon Garner, Randell Parker and Teresa Brady volunteered. Steve & Dee Hellersperk said they have been volunteering each month, but more help was needed..



Tom Hussman introduced our program presenter for the meeting, Jim Kraft, to discuss financial planning. Jim said he had been asked to find a program for the day, and he decided to talk about some of the issues and updates that are happening with the financial world. He covered some of the financial history over the past 10 years, and especially during COVID and after. The actions during the COVID shutdowns had a variety of effects on our national and international markets. Interest rates and mortgage rates are controlled by the Federal Government. The housing market has been very affected by these rates, as potential prospects for new homes don't want to walk away from a 3 & 1/2 % mortgage to an almost 7% rate. A Rotarian asked about the future of AI. Jim said it is really unknown at this point. The .com bubble took over 10 years to be effective, so AI is very difficult to predict. According to the Labor Market rates at this point, it does not really reflect the actual situation at below 4%. Due to the cost of food and other household expenses, many have at least two jobs, to try to keep up with the cost of living. However, there are many others who don't seem to want to work as they can get government funds from a variety of sources to not work. The service industry, along with other businesses, for example, are suffering



...the reason // along with other businesses, for example, are coming from not having enough qualified workers. As for the future of world currency, Jim said the dollar is it " bit-com is not stable. When asked about what he thought about the high National Debt, he gave an interesting comparison. Normally when there is a high debt in the business world, you compare the value of your assets as to the amount of your debt. Jim said the US has a tremendous amount of assets if they needed to liquidate them for the debt. That would not be the preferred method of clearing debt, but an interesting way to look at it. All felt they had learned new information about the present economy.

Charlton did a good job of getting fellow Rotarians to hand over their Happy Dollars, for the program and also for the great oyster roast we had on February 22nd.

No winner of the Happy Dollar match " on to next time.

President Tom adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, March 5th.