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Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Greeters: Elleke Mesdag & Vandana Naik

Lottery: Art Drake & Paul Enchelmayer

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Greeters: Rob Porter & Radha Radhakrishnan

Lottery: Ryan Fleming & Connie Gentry



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President Sherry Hawkins convened the July 11, 2018 meeting of the Normal Rotary Club, and Alan Chapman led the reflection.

Visitors:

--Alan Chapman introduced his guest, Reena Rhoda. She is recently retired from Oakdale and looking for service opportunities.

--Art Runyon introduced his son, Paul, who is visiting. Paul is a basketball coach in Downers Grove.

Mystery Host: Hank Campbell gave the \$2 to Reena Rhoda, thanking her for attending and hoping she will consider joining.

Lottery: Ryan Fleming won \$15 but picked the king of diamonds, so he did not win the \$341 pot.

Judge: David Taylor administered justice this week. Happy fines:

--Dick Wagner was happy he got to attend "Celebrate America," which was written by our own Nancy Brokaw.

--Angie Bubon was also happy to see "Celebrate America," which her mom was in as well. She was also happy she got to see "Hamilton" in Chicago. Last, she was happy and thankful to the Friends Forever group and Rotary members who helped served dinner at Safe Harbor.

--Dale Strassheim shared that his time with Easter Seals has come to an end, so he is back to retirement.

--Drake Zimmerman was happy to have spent time with the wonderful Friends Forever group.

--Nancy Brokaw was happy to see some fellow Rotarians attending her show, "Celebrate America." She has also written some shows for the Illinois Shakespeare Festival and encourages everyone to attend.

--Bill Semlak was happy to be back after missing 2 meetings. He missed one meeting while he was in Canada and missed another meeting because his son and granddaughter were visiting.

--Hank is happy to be enjoying the meeting and eating with the members after his year at the podium.

Birthday Auction: Drake Zimmerman brought some of his honey to auction off. It was purchased by Sherry for \$10

Announcements:

--Stephanie McClellan shared, on behalf of her friend Karen who was not able to attend, that the Sunrise Rotary has begun selling tickets for Brats & Bags, which will be held Aug. 3.

--Linda Healy shared the schedule for the Friends Forever group. They are a wonderful group of 15-17 year olds – half are Jewish and half are Arab. They will be speaking at different groups during their time here.

--Perfect Attendance Awards – Gordon Bidner -14 yr; John A Bishop – 13 Yrs; Bill Caisley – 23 yrs; Linda Healy – 10 yrs; Hank Campbell – 9 yrs; Marcia Dennis – 18 yrs; Art Drake – 1 yr; Becky G – 13 yrs; Ray Ropp – 14 yrs; Surinder Sethi– 13 yrs; Dick Wagner – 24 yrs; Drake Zimmerman – 32 yrs.

--Alan Chapman shared that a fundraiser will be held for Harmony Park on from 3-9 p.m. July 19 at Keg Grove Brewery. At that time, all tips will benefit Harmony Park. The Normal Rotary Club will host a social hour there from 5-6 p.m., and the club will put \$100 into the tip jar. Normal Rotary Club members are welcome to come early and/or stay late. This should be fun!

--President Sherry reminded us that Rotary Leadership Institute will be held Aug. 18 at Richland Community College. If you have never been, you should consider attending. This is a great way to learn more about Rotary.

--Sherry also plans to meet with presidents of other Bloomington-Normal Rotary Clubs to discuss Harmony Park. Sunrise and Daybreak Rotary clubs are interested.

Thought for the Day: Sherry thought she would go with an inspirational quote by Albert Einstein: “The world is not dangerous because of those who do harm, but because of those who look at it without doing anything.” So be the inspiration and do something! Be the Change.

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