



Rotary Club of Sussex Inc.

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Club # 6355 / District # 7810

Cowbell

Date: November 30, 2015

Attendance: Bob B., Lisa B., Rob D., Kathy C., Angie C., Donna G., Rhonda H., Don I., Ed K., Greg K., Robert K., Harold L., Mary M., Tina M., Bruce N., Wendy O., Ian S., Bob T., Shelley V., Rhoda W., Robert L.

Guest: Bev Lyons

Regrets: Alaina A., Cindy D., Don D., Jeff F., Erik H., Alaina L., Lou Mc.,

Toast to the Queen

Welcome: Rob Driscoll welcomed all to the meeting.

Rotary Minute: Rob Kimball spoke about his recent trip to Florida where he was impressed by the number of visible Rotary signs and big Rotary projects for communities.

Salvation Army Christmas Kettle – Tina passed around a sheet for Rotarians to sign up for the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle. These are two-hour shifts and Rotarians were asked to wear their Rotary shirt. A list of guidelines was circulated through e-mail. Tina will send out an updated e-mail indicating which grocery store is the intended location for the kettle. Please sign up as soon as possible.

Rotary Website

Rob Driscoll reviewed three different websites related to Rotary

- The Rotary Club of Sussex - <http://www.sussexrotary.org/>
- Rotary International - <https://www.rotary.org/>
- Rotary Club Runner - <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50216>

Members were encouraged to check the Sussex Rotary Club website to determine meeting schedules and jobs and to update their profiles in Clubrunner so that data collection for our group can be more comprehensive. If personal data is updated in Clubrunner then it will automatically be updated in Rotary International. The Secretary and the President have the capability of updating passwords for those who may have forgotten original passwords.

Committees Reports

Finance - The budget for this fiscal year has not been officially approved. The proposed budget will be sent out in an e-mail this week and voted upon at next week's meeting.



Membership – Shelley reported that an Orientation Meeting will be held for new members. It was agreed that January would be a good month for this activity and Shelley will send out an e-mail.

Social Committee – A Christmas social will be held at Giermindl's Restaurant on Saturday, December 19, 2015, starting at 7 pm. Presently 36 people have signed up. Cindy Dubois is collecting items for a wine and cheese basket that will be auctioned off. The money collected will assist with administrative costs.

Program Committee – Wendy reported that feedback about changes in the food choices and money collection have been positive. The arrangement will be reassessed in January 2016. The Committee is looking for ideas for speakers for 2016. More classification talks will be scheduled and members were encouraged to volunteer.

Trip Draw – The tickets should be ready within a week. The annual trip draw is our biggest fundraiser. Tickets are sold for \$144 and every month there are five prizes – a trip voucher for \$3,200 or cash of \$2,500, and four cash prizes. The only tickets that are held out for monthly draws are the trip prizes. The odds of winning are 1 in 8. There was a discussion on whether or not to increase the price for another year.

Youth Awards – Lisa Brown reported that an interview has been carried out with the Dubois family for the Short Term Youth Exchange program. Lisa has been in communication with the Regional RYLA director and there the committee is hoping to start an Interact Club at Sussex Regional High School.

Charitable Trust Dinner – The date for the dinner has been set for Thursday, April 7, 2016.

Next Meeting: Next Club meeting has been scheduled for Monday, December 7, 2015, at the All Seasons Inn and Restaurant starting at 12:15 pm.

Happy / Sad Bucks

Chase the Joker: Cathy Carver's ticket was chosen. The pot went up to \$59 because of an elusive joker.

Meeting Adjourned, 1:15 pm.

Stay tuned for the Next Cowbell!!!