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Call to Order

President Robbie Burke called the meeting to order. Allen Baskett offered the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Kraig Noble led us in singing "Old McDonald." Randy Elsass introduced our guests. Gayle Masonbrink guest of Kathy Sampson, and Rick Haines guest of Linda Haines. We also welcomed back Tom Hudson to our meeting today.

Happy Dollars

Our "Happy Rotarians" today included Robbie Burke, Linda Haines, Marty Dodrill, Keith Fledderjohann, Sue Pittman, Lorraine Fischio, and Rick Green.

Fines

Jon Hall was our finer and his victims today included Kraig Noble, Jim Henrich, Mike Makley, Rick Green, Ron Gorby, Allen Baskett, Don Hinkley, Alex Pittman, The Hudson Brothers, and anyone who did not go snow skiing on Monday.

Announcements

District Assembly: is set for April 13th.

District Conference: May 17th-19th will be this year's District Conference to be held at Put-In-Bay.

Annual Banquet: The clubs Annual Banquet will be held the evening of June 13th.

Dueling Piano's Fundraiser: will be held April 27th at the VFW.

Red's Outing: Our Reds Outing has been rescheduled to a night game on April 21st. Tickets are $30. Reds vs Marlins

Program

Dan Burke introduced our speaker, Sean Stroh from the Neil Armstrong Airport who gave us an update on the Airport.

Neil Armstrong Airport is a public use airport located eight miles southwest of the central business district of Wapakoneta, in Auglaize County. It is owned by the Auglaize County Airport Authority. It is included in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems for which categorize it as a general aviation facility.

The National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) identifies nearly 3,400 existing and proposed airports that are significant to national air transportation and thus eligible to receive Federal grants under the Airport Improvement Program. It also includes estimates of the amount of money needed to fund infrastructure development projects that will bring these airports up to current design standards and add capacity to congested airports. The FAA is required to provide Congress with a 5-year estimate of eligible development every 2 years.

The National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems contains all commercial service airports, all reliever airports, and selected general aviation airports.

Neil Armstrong Airport covers an area of 140 acres at an elevation of 913 feet above mean sea level. It has two runways of 5,500 by 100 feet with an asphalt surface, and 2,631 by 80 feet with a turf surface.[1]

The airport has an average of 30 aircraft operations per day: 94% general aviation, 6% air taxi, and approximately 1% military. There were 23 aircraft based at this airport: 70% single-engine, 17% jet, and 13% multi-engine.

The most recent economic impact study by the State of Ohio of what the airport contributes to the State. The survey revealed that the Neil Armstrong Airport had a total positive impact of $7.3 million to the local and State economy.

Total Airport Impact includes all employment, payroll, and economic activity related to the airport operations.

Sean reported that $4.9 million has been invested in capital development at the airport since 1988. Future needs include improved and expanded utility service and a new storage and terminal facility.

Queen of Hearts

Robbie Burke won the daily drawing but alas…no Queen today.

Upcoming Programs

4-3   Mel Honig- member of Sylvania Rotary Club and their project in Central America

4-10   Vince Koza with Columbus Blue Jackets announcer George Matthews

Upcoming Greeters

4-3   Bill Maki
4-10   Rick Gerdeman

*Please note: All Rotarians *scheduled to greet, please be in place by 11:30 a.m.*

Our meeting was adjourned following the recitation of the Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Say and Do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?