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Call to Order

President Zach Ferrall called the meeting to order, and Sue Pittman offered the invocation.

Guests included our speaker, Heather Dowell, Theresa and Jake Dowling from The Evening Leader, and Jan Heinrich (guest of Jim).

Song Leader Kraig Noble led a singing of "It's a Grand Old Flag", followed by a singing "Happy Birthday" to Larry Hammond, although he will actually celebrate on the 13th.

Happy Dollars

Zach was happy to have MC'd the Lil Miss Summerfest competition. Ellen Hunter was happy to announce the opening of Family Audiology's 3rd location and invited

people to stop by for a grand opening on the 16th. Dan Hoseck was happy to invite all to the Supper & Sounds opening of Summerfest on Thursday evening. Jamie Goeke was happy to have enjoyed a fun vacation. Trisha Barnes was thankful for the bumper crop of school supplies. Laia Zink was happy for the participation of Gears & Cheers speakers. Dan Burke was happy for new member Bill Ruane and for the tip machine benefiting the stadium at Guarnieri's pizza, having won \$100. Lori Martinson was happy for the turnout at the Friends of the Library book sale. Alex Pittman was happy for our speaker and for celebrating his and Sue's 37th wedding anniversary.



Fines

Finemaster Phil Schumann fined Dan Burke for not knowing that this year's Ohio State Fair is the 166th and that the first fair was held in Cincinnati. Other fines were for not knowing that the Oak Ridge Boys have entertained the most times. General fines were not having donated school supplies and not being engaged in Summerfest.

Announcements

- Dues are due
- A thank you note was received from Ali Schlosser.
- Last day for school supplies is the 15th.
- Wapak Rotary meeting on Monday will host Ohio Supreme Court Justice Sharon Kennedy

- Next Gears and Cheers will be at Supper & Sounds at Summerfest.
- Thanks to Bev Wilker for helping Rotary to sponsor 5 hogs at the fair and buying a hog, which was donated to Agape.
- Arrive by 3:30 at Conti-tech to be on the Rotary float in the parade



Induction of New Member

We welcomed Bill Ruane as our newest member, proposed by Kathy Bayless. Zach began a new tradition with two questions for new members. 1) First job?- Lifeguarding 2) One word that best describes you -Passionate - about our schools and our community.



Program

Heather Dowell presented what is going on and coming up at Arts Place. Heather grew up in the area, attended Wright State, and has a strong music background as well as art. She has been the Center Director since January and moved to full time director in July.

Heather explained the mission and programs of Arts Place, including 1) Providing exhibition space to allow local artists to display and sell their work 2) Providing a summer program of children's art classes, Arts in the Parks, as well as participating in middle school STEAM classes 3) Providing children's and adult classes throughout the year. New classes this fall will include drawing, watercolors, character makeup, wool spinning and knitting, henna tattoos, advanced comic book art, jewelry making, and mindfulness. 4) Community outreach including participating in the Library summer reading program, crafts for sister city participants, and Walk with Nature, among others. Heather thanked Rotary and the many rotary members who have contributed financial support. Current programs can be found at <http://www.artsland.org>

Queen of Hearts

Sue Pittman held the winning ticket, but the queen lives.

Upcoming Programs

8/15 Galen Cisco
8/22 MESA presentation
8/29 Coach Doug Frye

Upcoming Greeters

8/15 Randy Elsass
8/22 Ellen Hunter
8/29 Brian Botti

The meeting was adjourned after recitation of the "Four Way Test".

