



## THE COG

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### Call to Order

President Zach Ferrall called the meeting to order, and Charles Richtmyer offered the invocation. Guests were Theresa Dowling from The Evening Leader and Jan Heinrich, guest of Jim. Songleader Kraig Noble led the singing of "Old MacDonald" and the farmer had a bee that 'buzzed buzzed here and buzzed buzzed there.'

### Happy Dollars

Zach Farrell was \$20 of happy for the parade and pizza party. His Award for best costume will be announced at next week's meeting. Beth Noneman was happy that today is World Polio Day, and we will be donating \$1,600 from Polio

for Pizza. Kevin Lawler was happy that Kathy Gorby helped with voting at the parade. Bev Wilker was happy she received a mum from FFA and for the success of the Kathy Bayless food drive. John Coe was happy he emceed at the parade. He noted it was the first time we had a "poop" contestant. Discussion ensued as to what is the best category for poop. ( Couples, Funniest, Ugliest). A vote was not taken. Kraig Noble was happy about a recent trip to Germany (sister city) and Italy, as well as Michigan's ability to find a way to win a game. Julie Kraner is happily preparing for the auction and supplied a list of items going up for bid. Randy Elsass is happy about the upcoming debate, which no longer requires tickets. Doors open at 5:45 and debate starts at 6:30. All are welcome. Ron Gorby was happy for a vacation in Florida.



### Fines

Before doling out fines, Ron sold/raffled off some recently caught fish from his trip to Florida. He then gave group files if you did not attend the parade or the pizza party or if you did not bid on his fish.



### Announcements

- Thanks to Tami Sanford for all her work on the parade.
- Bev and John Wilker: thanks for the pizza party after the parade.
- Next week after auction there is a photo opp at Agape re: Kathy Bayless food drive for anyone who would like to participate. Also need help taking the bounty to Agape.
- Next Tuesday is the debate.
- Next week's meeting will start at 11:30 to accommodate the auction.
- It is a point of pride that we have a Peace Scholar. Hope to bring him in as a speaker soon.



### Program

Mike Doseck, President of The Greater Grand Lake Beekeepers, was buzzing with excitement to share his vast knowledge of honey bees. Mike is also involved with the Ohio State Beekeepers Assn., which offers beginner's beekeeping classes and has over 100 registered bee clubs in Ohio. Honey bees were brought to the US from Europe, and Native

American's called them "the white man's flies". Who is a bee's favorite singer? Sting. Honey varies in flavor, color, and crystallization characteristics, according to the plant from which the nectar is gathered. There can be up to 60,000 bees in one hive. There are a number of things Rotarians can do to support the honey bee population, including: minimize/eliminate the use of pesticides, herbicides, and fungicides. If these products must be used, apply them at night and not at all when windy. Plant plants that attract pollinators and encourage community leaders to do so.

### Queen of Hearts

Charles Richtmyer tried to find the queen, but she was having none of it.

### Upcoming Programs

10/31 Auction  
11/7 YMCA update, Dale Brunner  
11/14 Stock Market, Jeff Robinson  
11/21 Interact, Stephanie Kramer

### Upcoming Greeters

10/31 Kim Ray  
11/7 Abby Balster  
11/14 Mark Ashman  
11/21 Larry Hammond

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

**\* Please note: All Rotarians scheduled to greet, please be in place by 11:30 am**

