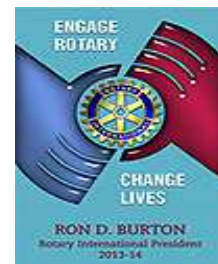




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LAST MEETING

Reported by Bob Zyromski

Sgt-at-Arms: Vicki Curtis

Prayer: Jack Butler, always grateful (as are we all) for the opp to give service.

Announcements: Rick Cooper exhorted the troops to sign up immediately to join the frivolity and fine fixin's at the Trout Club next Thursday eve. To join up, email The Coop or The Solich.

Prez John announced our club foundation's award to Quilts of Valor. He presented Vickie Wildeman with a magnum-sized check for \$2,500. Quilts of Valor is a national grassroots community-service effort that connects the home front with our wounded combat warriors and vets. With the average cost of a quilt at \$140, our donation will provide 18.

PROGRAM: Lake County YMCA Dream House

Karen Krauss welcomed Rotarians on our annual pilgrimage. With countless years as a project decorator, Krauss took over the reins three years ago as a design chair to guide her highly-talented troupes in creating spectacular and welcoming edifices. Krauss asked us to note this year's ADA-accessible home's wider door frames, lower kitchen counters and the like.

And with that, the horde disassembled and made its way to the front entrance to ooooh and aaaah yet again. Following pictures by Bob Zyromski.



The 20th version of the YMCA Dream House sits high, proudly awaiting hordes of awed visitors who just might like to live in it some day soon. The abode is open for tours noon to 8:00 p.m. daily through August 11. For tickets call 440-354-5656.



It seems almost sacrilegious to call the spacious, high-ceilinged, exquisitely accoutered lower level the "basement."



Mr. Coop exhorts the troops to sign up for next Thursday's Trout Club evening bash which replaces our noon meeting.



Prez John and Mz Vickie are all smiles with the passing of some big club foundation bucks to the Quilts of Valor program.



Longtime Dream House interior decorator Karen Krauss has served as project design chair for the past three years.



With another LaMalfa portable lunch under their belts, clubbies listen intently about Dream House benefits and proceeds.



Who'da thunk it? Twenty years ago a very apprehensive Lake County YMCA board of directors – after a ton of due diligence, of course – launched what has turned out to be an incredibly successful, one-of-a-kind fundraiser.



"Please do not open." Of course, you can be sure Lee's around, trying to unseal the deal.



Doug and Ron really get into a cleaning routine in the convention-hall-size master bathroom.



Miss Trish delights in her favorite Dream House room.



He's a judge, for cryin' out loud. You don't really expect him to know how to close one of them newfangled high-tech screen doors, do you?



Bob and T.R. hold court for a Dream House visitor at – where else? – the bar.



Y director Dick Bennett gets an earful from Linda and Vickie in the Dream House's most-inviting kitchen.

JOCOE'S JOURNAL

Just when you thought you'd heard it all..

Punography:

- I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.
- When chemists die, they barium.
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.
- How does Moses make his tea? He brews it.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.
- This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.
- I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words .
- At the hospital they told me I had type A blood, but it was a type-O.
- A dyslexic man walks into a bra .
- PMS jokes aren't funny, period.
- Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
- Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory-- I hope there's no pop quiz.
- The Energizer bunny arrested and charged with battery.
- The old man didn't like his beard at first. Then it grew on him.
- Did you hear about the cross eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
- What does a clock do when it's

hungry? It goes back four seconds.

• I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!

• Broken pencils are pointless.

• What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

• England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool .

• I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

• All the toilets in New York 's police stations have been stolen. Police have nothing to go on.

• I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

• Velcro - what a rip off!

• Cartoonist found dead in home. Details are sketchy.

• Venison for dinner? Oh deer!

• Earthquake in Washington obviously the government's fault.

• I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.

UPCOMING EVENTS.

August 1—NO LUNCH MEETING—Trout Club dinner

August 8 – Past District Governor Julie West, District Review

August 15 – Jill Korosok from City of Mentor – State of the City

August 22 – David Joyce, Congressman

August 29 – Club Assembly

September 5: Tom Lix – Cleveland Whiskey.

September 12 - Daryl Rakosy LLS - Light The Night

September 19 – Kip Marlow, Entrepreneurship.

September 26 – Frank Reimholz, Telecommunication.

October 3 – John Boros, Assure Vaule

October 17 – District Governor Bob Johnson, State of the District and our membership

BIRTHDAYS

August 2 – Tim Blankenship

August 8 – Ed Peltz

August 9 – Curt Jones

August 20 – Wayne Brodnan

August 27 – Jim Sippola

August 31 – Bob Wigton

If I have missed anyone, please call 257-9827 or email d.grose@sbcglobal.net

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do...

Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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MEETING MAKE-UPS

Following are a few nearby Rotary Club meeting sites and times for make-ups;

MONDAY

Willoughby at Dino's in Willoughby at 12:00 PM

TUESDAY

Painesville at Hellreigel's Inn at 12:00 Noon.

WEDNESDAY

Burton-Middle field at Welshfield Inn Banquet Hall, 14001 Main Market Rd., Burton, at 7:00PM

Cleveland East at Nighttown Restaurant 12387 Cedar Road Cleveland Hts. At Noon.

THURSDAY

Cleveland at Windows on the River in the Flats, Bridge View Room, Third Floor, Windows on the River, Powerhouse. Nautica Entertainment Complex, 2000 Sycamore at 12:00

FRIDAY

Chagrin Highlands (Beachwood area): at Mitchell's Fish Market, 28601 Chagrin Blvd., Woodmere (at Eton Square).