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June is Rotary Fellowships Month in the Rotary International Calendar

LAST MEETING

Meeting Chair: President Mike

Sergeant at Arms: Fred Lariccia and Tom Weiss.

Prayer: Denis Nowacki

RotaBuck: Glenn Pizzuti did a double take when he pulled a red Queen, but it turned out to be only a diamond.

Announcements: Randy Carver reported that although attendance was slightly down this year at his golf outing, he expects the net total to be around \$7,000. As in the past, half of the proceeds are donated to Mentor Rotary, and the remainder split among a group of charities. He then presented a check to President Mike for \$3,500

President Mike reminded members that there would be no noon meeting next week. President Elect Wayne added that although today was the last day to reply to the invitation to the Installation Dinner, he could still take stragglers, as late as Tuesday, the 21st. There are about 70 signed up to date.

A sign up sheet was circulated for the June 30th meeting, Mike Scruggs' last meeting as President. He has contracted for a steel band group to entertain. Spouses and significant others are welcome to come and enjoy the Caribbean fare cooked up by LaMalfa.

Vicki Curtis has reminded us that the July 7 meeting, highlighting the International Women's Air and Space Museum, would be a good meeting to invite all Rotary wives. The Museum is located at Burke Lakefront Airport, and

the presentation at our meeting should whet our appetites to visit it in person.

Program: Given the recent news reports of large organizations, both governmental and business, being hacked today's program was very timely. John Solich introduced Frank Suponicic, to speak on the subject of Identity Theft.

Frank opened by reminding us that this was the second time he had addressed Mentor Rotary, but assuring us that he had new material to impart.

It is the responsibility of any business to *protect* the data entrusted to it by its employees and customers. But this can be a difficult job given that an incorrect keystroke can let loose so much data to the wrong place. Just ask Anthony Weiner if he agrees with this!

There are all kinds of people out there trying to obtain confidential data, such as our bank account numbers and Social Security numbers. This number continues to grow, with vast quantities of leaked data already in play. As the leaked database grows, the prices at which it changes hands drops. Not long ago, such data sold for \$55 – today it goes for mere pennies. Supply and demand in action.

Not all of the stolen data is picked up by hacking online data bases. Be careful about what documents are left on top of office desks, while total strangers use excuses to visit. For that matter, be careful about identifying any unknown visitor to your place of business. And don't forget that cleaning staff will visit your office when it is vacant. And never, ever

dispose of any sensitive documents in the garbage. A shredder is your best friend.

JOCOE'S JOURNAL

An elderly American gentleman arrived in Paris by plane. At French customs, he fumbled for his passport. "You 'ave been to France before, monsieur"? the customs officer asked sarcastically. The old gent admitted that he had been to France previously. "Zen, you should know enough to 'ave your passport ready for inspection." The American said, "The last time I was here, I didn't have to show it." "Impossible. You Americans always 'ave to show your passports on arrival in France!" The American senior gave the Frenchman a long hard look. Then he quietly explained, "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach in '44, I couldn't find any Frenchmen to show it to."

The graveside service just barely finished, when there was massive clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning, accompanied by even more thunder rumbling in the distance...

The little old man looked at the pastor and calmly said, "Well, she's there."

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 23 – Installation Dinner at Kirtland Country Club

June 30 – Special Program for membership and significant others / host Mike Scruggs

July 7 - International Women's Air & Space Museum

July 14- Club Assembly

July 21- Stress Relief/ Dr. Tom Lemire

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July 28- Outgoing Exchange Student / Mike Scruggs

August 4- District Governor: Steve Zabor

BIRTHDAYS

June 1 – Alex Cooper

June 4 – Jeff McMillen

June 8 – Dan Welker

June 14 – Gary Estadt

June 20 – Greg Donnelly

June 21 – Lou Kreider

June 24 – Elfie Roman

June 26 – John Solich

June 28 – John Trebets

If I have missed anyone, please call 974-2494 or email

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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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WHERE WE MEET

LaMalfa Center,
5783 Heisley Road,
Mentor, Ohio
Thursday at 12 Noon

OUR MAILING ADDRESS

Rotary Club of Mentor
PO Box 1177
Mentor, OH 44061-1177

OUR WEB SITE

www.mentor-rotary.org/

MEETING MAKE-UPS

Following are a few nearby Rotary Club meeting sites and times for makeups;

MONDAY

Willoughby at Gavi's, 12:00 PM

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Burton-Middlefield at Punderson State Park Lodge, Newbury, 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 Bar Louie, 24337 Cedar Rd., Lyndhurst, OH at 12:00 Noon.
