



The BEEHIVE



The Medina Rotary Club Newsletter

GUESTS

Sonny Kanieski

INVOCATION

Brian Feron

SONG

“Smiles” Lead by Carl Abell

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

First – Is it the truth?

Second – Is it fair to all concerned?

Third – Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Fourth – Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A new speaker system purchase has been approved!

New Member Induction

Congratulations & Welcome to Laura Findley!! Ron Quine sponsored Laura.

Upcoming Events

August 21st– No Meeting

August 22nd – Wine & Cheese Reception @ MGH

August 28th – Sparrow Village Project RHCC

MEETING NOTES

Bill Geraci was our guest speaker for the evening. Bill was accompanied by his daughter Kathryn and Anya, a family friend from their time spent in Russia. Bill and his family spent three years living in Moscow. It all started in 1992 when he was invited with a group of 150 fathers and 150 children, (he went with his eldest daughter) to visit Russia. During their stay they were able to witness the terrible state of disarray the orphanages were in as communism began its fall. Alcoholism is a severe problem in Russia and many of the children in the orphanage parents were alcoholics or had passed away from alcohol related deaths. The Russians invited anyone that could to stay in Russia and aide the orphanage. For Bill, seeing 100-200 children with noone to take care of them was a very moving experience. In August of 1996, Bill was able to take his family and move to Russia. The statistics state that 80% of children in orphanages will commit suicide, become drug addicts or alcoholics. He and his family had a wonderful experience and learned a tremendous amount about the Russians and their culture, music and dancing, while hoping to make a difference in those children’s lives. They left in 1999, but still remain in contact with Anya and her family. Bill stated, “Working with those children and trying to make a difference is the highlight of my life.”

Sgt @ Arms

Rod Cook collected dollars for the people that handle the power for Medina, missed meetings, Anya & Kathy, Sonny, good friends @ Rotary, new member Laura, for Ron being quiet, nice day, Sonny’s Step Mom home, speaker, seating arrangements, Sue’s return, Steve’s lousy round of golf, Jim Hunter’s grandson born 7/13, for Michelle surviving the week, Darlene’s week (the kids are in FL with their Grandma, Darlene’s no tan lines, Rich B’s new grandson, Ed not caddying for Steve again, National Stamp Show, Bijay for being the King of Hearts and feeling a little “hot” seated with all the beautiful women, Linda gave another \$1 for Bijay being hot, John S’s flat tire and kidney stone, the Indians and Dayne completing his residency for his Masters- Congratulations!!

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August 14th, 2003

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Vocational Service-Melanie

Hillebrand

Club Appointments

Sergeant@Arm - Rod Cook & Don Rossman