

Pawtuxet Valley Rotary Club Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2017
Cowesett Inn Night Meeting

Call to Order: Tarah Warner @ 1853

Pledge of Allegiance: Tarah Warner @ 1854

Invocation: Bob Bjorklund

50/50: Mike Everling drew the nine of hearts

Jokes: Mike Everling, Maria Shank and Craig Levis contributed

Happy Bucks: Craig Levis, Bob Bjorklund, Maria Shank, Joe Garcia, Linda Rekas-Sloan, Mike Everling, Bill Pimental, Les Cory

Happy Birthday: Craig Levis

Treasurer Report: Maria Shank announced \$12,516.00 in the club account. Please note, this will decrease significantly based on the check presented to SHARE Foundation which has not been cashed. District Dues are pending and posted as of 7/1/17. The Foundation account is \$3,864.00. The account has gone into dormancy. A vote was held to determine if account should be given a deposit in order to re-activate. Tarah Warner proposed vote, seconded by Maria Shank and endorsed further by Linda Rekas-Sloan. Club vote approved.

Updates: Ronald McDonald House “dinner” and donation drive will be 7/23/17 from 1-6PM. The wish list for the drive was distributed once again for review and sign up.
The club will participate in a Coventry Town Beautification project TBA
The club will participate in a cemetery clean up 9/16/17, bring own tools/equipment
The club annual Yard Sale will be 9/9/17, details to follow
Wakefield Rotary Club 39th Annual South County Balloon Festival is 7/21-7/23
Membership Dues are to be paid by end of July
The club’s project list and sign up for committees was forwarded again for review
The Book Box Little Free Library will be an order of 3 total boxes. One for Coventry, one for West Warwick and one for West Greenwich. Total cost is \$1,287 plus shipping. This project is eligible for a District Grant. The 3 libraries in the area have given approval and provided potential locations which need to be reviewed further. They also will provide letters which is required part of the grant process.
Board Meeting will be 7/19/17 @ 1800, Coventry Schools Administration Office
Next Full Club meeting will be 7/25/17 @ 0730, The Cozy Grill
Full Club meeting on 8/1/17 @ 1830, Mike Guertin’s home
34th Annual Ben Boyle Golf Classic project/fundraiser was debriefed with check presented to Les Cory of SHARE Foundation.
Les Cory gave presentation to discuss and provide more information about SHARE Foundation. Organization which has assisted 3,650 individuals since inception. Mostly people in Southern New England with 80% in Massachusetts. The newest technology is “EyeGaze” and voice modulation/amplification devices. EyeGaze costs \$18,000 per

device. Organization has 6 total, all of them have been donated. Pawtuxet Valley Rotary Club has donated total of \$220,000 to SHARE over 34 years.

Adjourned:

Tarah Warner and seconded by Zachary Whittenberger @ 2010