

June 8, 2011

Call to Order: 7:15 am by President, Ellie Elgin
Early Edition Writer: Tom Umoh
Pledge of Allegiance: Dick Tillman
Invocation: Luda Tslav

Visiting Guests/Rotarians:

Sam Uko -guest of Tom Umoh and Rotarian from Nigeria; Don Hicks; Mahesh & Beene Bardye -guests of Season Shrestha; Joe Lesko from Arrow Ministries; Cathy Burgess from Assistance Center of Towson Churches; Betty Hill -guest of Carl Tippett.

Health & Well-being:

Inspirational reading was presented by Ameous Lucas. The central theme was "Overcoming Fear". "God knows no distance" was quote of the day.

Sergeant –at-Arms:

Joe Tillman led the happy \$\$ campaign; Chris Siciliano \$\$; Jo Martin \$\$, for guest; Dwight \$\$; Rob Brown -for visiting Rotarians; Jenette Young \$\$, for beautiful morning; Mahmood Farazdaghi \$\$; George Brown for locally grown produce Season for new medical clinic; Le Mebust for speaker; Neil for missed meetings; Sam Uko for internationality of Rotary; Don Hicks \$\$; Andy for Joe Lesko; Ellie -counting down her tenure; Joe Lesko for Rotary; Jane for Rotarians; Rob Ketron for grand children; Diane Eaton \$\$\$; Rina \$\$; and Suzanne\$\$.

Announcements:

Brenda announced appeal to support Rotary Foundation. Linda Tice asked for prayers for daughter of co-worker. Also reported on daughter involved in auto accident.

Speaker:

The President, Ellie Elgin, introduced the Speaker –Cathy Burgess of Assistance Center of Towson Churches who spoke on support needs for the Center. Joe Lesko of Arrow Ministries spoke about special education for "at risk" youth. His center provides opportunities for children with special needs. Andy Ross spoke about the Dinosaur Park and new facilities funded by Rotary/Parks and Recreation. Keith Schmidt spoke about Annual Dental Day 2011 project as a resounding success. Mahmood Farazdaghi spoke about eye clinics that screened 15,000 kids through the help of Rotary Club. He stated that the Eye Project in India has both economic and peace dividends. Dwight Griffith reported on the Russia Project. Lastly, Joe Martin reported "improved relation" with the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce in the last year. She also reported the purchase/donation of bullet-proof vests to Baltimore County Police Department by Towsontownne Rotary Club.

50/50 Winner:

Drawing by Joe Lesko. No Ace of diamond drawn hence a bottle of wine was won by Luda.

Adjournment:

The meeting came to a close at 8:29 am, after reciting the Four Way Test.