



President Bob Lombardo rang the bell! Jim Burger read the Invocation, everyone started The Pledge of Allegiance, and Dr. Wendy did the Four Way Test.



President Bob announced that we received a thank you note President Bob also said we needed a Speaker Chair for March and June. Mark G. volunteered for March! Scott Gerish and Mike Poff will be joining the Board of Directors in July!



Joe Murgalo started his gig as Sgt. At Arms by asking if the ladies were offended by the lyrics to the day's song! He asked Mark Generales to do a better job next time. He then welcomed guests! We all did a shout out to George Cohan for his birthday. Carl Nickel had 20 happy dollars for his grandson's academic and athletic accomplishments and Dr. Wendy had 20 happy dollars that her son, who suffered a terrible accident, was healing due to all our thoughts and prayers.



Henry Pietraszek – gave a fascinating story of overcoming alcoholism.

John Flammang's ticket was drawn for the 50/50 but sadly, no money changed hands!



**This Week's Program:**

Matt Caldwell – Lee County Property Appraiser,  
and former 2 term State Rep  
and candidate for State Ag Commissioner.

**This Morning's Invocation**  
O God, we come humbly into your presence by this avenue of prayer, expressing both our gratitude for gifts received, and our yearnings to be used as gifts to others. To that end, grant us visions of service yet unrendered, an awareness of goals yet unattained and hopes yet unrealized. Give us zeal and power to bring to reality the good and worthy things waiting to be done, and confirm our efforts by your assistance without which we labor in vain. Strengthen us now by food prepared and enjoyed. Enlighten us through productive conversations, and go with us as we return to waiting opportunities to make the day better for others. Amen.



Take Me Home, Country Roads—John Denver

Almost heaven, West Virginia  
Blue Ridge Mountains, Shenandoah River  
Life is old there, older than the trees  
Younger than the mountains, growin' like a breeze

Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads

All my memories gather 'round her  
Miner's lady, stranger to blue water  
Dark and dusty, painted on the sky  
Misty taste of moonshine, teardrop in my eye

Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads

I hear her voice in the mornin' hour, she calls me  
The radio reminds me of my home far away  
Drivin' down the road, I get a feelin'  
That I should've been home yesterday, yesterday

Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads  
Country roads, take me home  
To the place I belong  
West Virginia, mountain mama  
Take me home, country roads  
Take me home, down country roads  
Take me home, down country roads

## Notable Notes

### 5 Years ago

**Mary Saunders** presented her Vocational Service Moment. At her induction ceremony, Mary professed to being a “recovering attorney” now working in Real Estate. Mary is one of few native Floridians having grown up on the East Coast. She claims to have never seen snow, never shoveled it, and never made a snowman. She found the saying, “If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans” and says “it is one of those truths that seems to follow me through life.”

### 8 Years ago

President **Stephanie Kissinger** presided. **Jay Berube** led the invocation; **Adam Botana** the Pledge of Allegiance and **Jonathan Shaw** the 4-Way Test. **Ron Anderson** conducted a creative rendition of “*America the Beautiful*.” Make a Fashion Statement...for the next two weeks **Susan Schmitt** will be taking orders for Rotary garb. See Susan after today’s meeting and learn how you can add Rotary apparel to your wardrobe.



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?



### Upcoming Programs

March 3rd, David Webb will present a program on “The Culture of the Iroquois”.

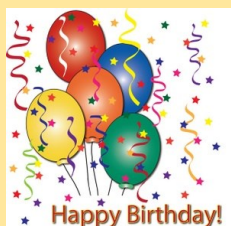
March 10, Diane Ewing, “Lifetime Wells”, a water project.

### Birthdays (Feb 21 - Feb 27)

Sue Masters Feb 22

Steve McIntosh Feb 25

Roger Brunswick Feb 26



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## 50/50

As you know if you have attended our meetings since we have been at Shangri-La we are enjoying our traditional 50/50 weekly drawings. Craig Stephens has graciously volunteered to be the ticket seller. We need a second Rotarian to take over when Craig cannot make the meetings. The only requirement is that you attend the meetings and be there at about 7:00 when Craig can not be there. Please contact President Bob if you can help!  
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