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Today's Meeting News

• Hosts

- **Greeters**
 - John Barnhart
 - Brian Callaghan
- **Presiding Officer**
 - Susan Gilmore
- **Reporters**
 - Heather and Bryan Masten
- **Photographer**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Publisher**
 - Dick McLaughlin
- **Invocation**
 - Ken DeRemer

• Guests

- Key Club members Nicole Cote and Taylor McClinchey were our guests this morning for breakfast. Nicole, who is the president of the Key Club elaborated on some of the projects the Key Club has been involved in recently. They have continued to sell caramel corn at the Travel and Adventure Series shows and have been working with Kids Against Hunger. Tomorrow they will be cutting snowflakes with seniors.

• Announcements

- President Susan Gilmore reminded board members that there will be a short board meeting immediately following this morning's regular meeting.
- Ron Publiski reported that Nick Handler continues to improve and hopes to be back to Kiwanis in a couple of weeks. In the meantime, he is planning a Fish Fry Banquet at the American Legion for March 28th. Circle that date on your calendar!



Ron Publiski Gives an Update on Nick Handler.

- Bryan Masten reminded us that he has arranged a group rate to attend Cirque du Soleil in Toledo. Twelve participants are needed to lock in the discount rate, and they currently have 10 signed up to go. If you would like to attend, contact Bryan immediately to secure the last two tickets.



Bryan Masten Has Sign-Up Sheet for Cirque du Soleil.

- Ron Wimple also reminded us that tonight Travel and Adventure is going to Mexico. Workers are asked to be at the TCA by 6:45 PM. He also announced the program for the 2014-2015 season. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the offerings.
- Beth Noden pointed out that March Mingle is coming up this Saturday, 6:00-10:00 PM, at the A. J. Smith Recreation Center on North Evans. Contact Heather Masten at CIS if you need tickets.



Beth Noden Urged Members to Support CIS through March Mingle.

- Mike McAran, in his role as president of the Rotary Club of Tecumseh, announced that Rotary is holding a golf outing on May 31st. The cost is \$400 per foursome and includes a steak dinner and all fees. Contact Mike for details.



Mike McAran Announces Rotary Club Golf Outing.

- Lance Ness announced a class in "Good Study Techniques" to be held at the United Methodist Church in Macon on Thursday, March 27th, 7:00-8:30 PM. It is open to ages 12 and up. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.



Lance Ness to Host Good Study Techniques Class.

- Chuck Gehrke gave the first reading of the nomination of Ron Wimple to replace Bob Forester on the Kiwanis Board. A second reading will be held next week. At the third reading the following week, the floor will be opened for further nominations and a vote will be held.



Past President Chuck Gehrke Gives First Reading of Proposed Replacement Board Member.

• 50/50 Drawing

John Deming was the 50/50 winner of eight dollars this morning. Congratulations, John!



50/50 Winner John Deming with Secretary Ken DeRemer.

• Fine Session

Fine Master John Deming had Irish riddles for us this morning in honor of St. Patrick's Day coming up on Monday. Did you know the origin of the Irish Jig? -- too many beers and too few restrooms!



Fine Master John Deming and Collector Ruth Deming.

Special Fines and Happy Dollars

- Carlton Cook had a Happy Dollar for being home again.



Carlton Cook is Happy to Be Home.

- Lance Ness had a Happy Dollar for being able to get away for a few days to visit his ailing mother.



Lance Ness is Happy to Be Visiting His Mother.

- Lana Archer had a Happy Dollar for the first sign of spring -- a skunk in her yard this morning, fortunately just after her dogs came in. She had a second Happy Dollar for missing the racoon who ran in front of her car as she was coming out of her driveway.



Lana Archer is Happy for the First Sign of Spring.

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

Bryan and Heather Masten are celebrating their 15th anniversary on Thursday (3/13), so we sang for them this morning.



Anniversary Celebrant Heather Masten.

Doug Bird was not at the meeting this morning, but he will celebrate his birthday on St. Patrick's Day (3/17). Tell him "Happy Birthday" if you see him.

• Program

Cal Tuttle introduced Chris Trainor and her son Collin who came to talk about a project they are involved in to provide clean drinking water in Haiti. Chris is a teacher at Saline High School and Collin is a student at Tecumseh High School.

Three years ago former students of Chris's Carly Green and Jeremy Searls came back to Saline High School to talk about a non-profit they had started to provide clean drinking water in Haiti. They invited Chris to go with them to Haiti to help install filters in remote mountain villages. These filters were designed at the University of Michigan and are made of simple materials, assembled on site and maintained by the villagers. They remove 95% of the disease-causing bacteria from the water as it passes through the filter. The filters last as long as they are maintained by passing at least two 5-gallon buckets of water through them each day. The original filters installed 10 years ago are still working effectively.

After the first trip to Haiti, Chris came back and got the Saline Capstone class involved in the project. Last year 18 students from Saline went to Haiti to help install filters, including her son Collin. She hopes to get Tecumseh High School involved with the project as well.

The group uses GPS to keep track of where the filters have been installed and regularly follows up with the people who are using them. So far over 130 filters have been installed in three years. Each filter is used by a family group and their neighbors. Data collected on the health of the people using the filters shows definite improvements in the health of the adults and children who have access to them.

Trips to Haiti to participate in this project cost \$2,000 per person, and the filters themselves cost \$100 each. Many of the students raise the money to go themselves.



Guest Speaker Chris Trainor with Son Collin.

• Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeters	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
March 18th	Brian Callaghan	Lana Archer Mary Bruno	Cal Tuttle	Jody Howard	Spencer Ruffner	THS Robotics Team
March 25th	Mike McAran	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
April 1st	Shelley Jeffery	Dick McLaughlin	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
April 8th	Doug Bird	Ron Wimple David Stimpson	Wendy Brys	Doug Bird	Anne Walker	Meals on Us - Barb Callis



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