

Rotary Club of New Jersey

March 9, 2023

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Vice President Van Stine.

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| Present: | Michael Van Stine-Vice President |
| | Dave Still, President-Elect |
| | Manuel Nunez-Treasurer |
| | Kathleen Van Stine |
| | Dave Zelley |
| | Eston Spain |
| | Brianna Tiernan |
| | Armand Bucci |
| | Viktor Krapivin |
| | Scott Messey |

VP Michael led the Pledge of Allegiance. He advised that he was filling in for Pres Jay.

VP Michael started the meeting by asking Scott to introduce himself. He said he was the current President of the West Jersey Club and a lifetime resident of Willingboro. He said his father had been a Rotarian for sixty years. Careerwise he is a lawyer and among many other things was a middle-school substitute teacher. Scott was welcomed by all and our members all introduced themselves to him.

VP Michael asked Kathleen to give an update on the Foundation. Kathleen said several our members attended the 'open-mike night' on February 25th at the Cherry Hill American Legion Post. VP Michael noted that both she and her sister had sung "Sweet Caroline" together and Manny sang his version of "I Did it My Way", and that based on applause volume Manny almost won the contest! Kathleen went on to remind all that a new photography class is scheduled for March 25th and a new healing arts class is scheduled for March 30th; that the gardening program will resume on March 23rd; the Equine Program will have sessions on April 14, 21, and 28 and a men's group meeting is scheduled for March 21st, and that Michael will be teaching a model rocketry class on April 20th. Kathleen said there will be a lunch and birthday celebration for Carlton Rouh on May 11th. Kathleen said there was an upcoming celebration for St. Patrick's Day at the Runnemedede VFW Post on March 17th and tickets were still available for those who might like to attend. Lastly, she said that tikes were almost all sold out for the oldie's night wit Lou Costello on April 1st also at the Runnemedede VFW Post. She said Lou was a Vietnam Vet

VP Michael then called on Dave Z. to offer an update on his status. Dave said that after some time adjusting to life in North Carolina, he wanted to transfer his membership to the Denver NC club, but that he wanted to continue with our club as an advisor. He said he wanted to keep connectedness with our club and many people in the district, but he craved the ability to have personal contact and live meetings with Rotarians in his own community. VP Michael informed everyone that when Dave joined our club, it was after all the work he had done to help our club be rechartered anew as a statewide club and that he was extremely instrumental in getting our Rotaract charter at Rutgers Camden approved. He thanked Dave for sticking with us through thick and thin and proposed a motion that Dave be considered for honorary member status in our club as well as be considered an ongoing advisor as we help shape our future international projects. The motion was seconded, and all were in favor. Thank you, Dave!

There was some final discussion and personal kinship and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.