



Friday, December 9th, 2022

Introduction

The meeting was called to order by President Carrie Dreifurst. The blessing was given by Ron. There were 2 guests in attendance. Ed shared sunshine news: welcome back, Tim! Jim was given the "Dime a Day" award from the O.I. Foundation. Paul and Kristin shared an update on the website; it should be up at running in January. Please send photos to Kristin for the new site. The Christmas Tree lot was a great success and concluded last week. Thank you to everyone on the committee for all of the hard work!

Membership Initiative this quarter (thru 12/31/22)

- 5+ new members= \$75 Casey's gift card
- 3-4 new members= \$50 Casey's gift card
- 2 new members= \$25 Casey's gift card



upcoming events

Friday December 23rd & 30th: NO MEETING
(holidays)

Friday, January 6th: Tom and Jerry Party @ 11:30 at
River Center followed by Armored Gardens
Please RSVP to Kate



Business

Roland introduced our speaker, Ann McGlynn from Project Renewal. Project Renewal was founded in 1974 and works to provide educational, recreational and social activities for children during the school year and summer in a safe, loving environment. Staff and volunteers are positive role models for the children, reinforcing values needed in order to live healthy and productive lives. Project Renewal offers math, reading, and writing assistance as well as after school learning opportunities, fun, and treats. They were actually nicknamed the "Treat House" for all of the snacks and meals that they provide to the neighborhood. Project Renewal is free and offered to youth K-12. For highschoolers, the project hosts dinners which encourage career exploration, community volunteer opportunities, and college and trade school assistance along. They recently closed on a new property for expansion and are currently at 40% of their \$1.2 million goal. Expansion includes a new campus adjacent to their current location and plans to remodel for skill-building. The meeting was closed with the Optimist Creed.