



Friday, February 24, 2023

Introduction

The meeting was called to order by President Carrie Dreifurst. The blessing was given by Ron. There were two guests in attendance. Please continue to keep Steve Goldermann in your thoughts and prayers as he makes tremendous strides toward recovery. Poop & Toot Party was tons of fun, and Karie Gilson was the overall winner. The NOW Meeting will be held March 23rd at the Outing Club with a cash bar; please RSVP to Bernie. Flag Committee update: we are still working on routes and teams for the committee. We are in desperate need of volunteers and committee members. Please see Wayne to join the committee! Please fill out slips that are passed around at the meeting with your contact information for a "members only" roster. We are looking for a member to fill the secretary position. Please see Carrie.

Sponsoring incentives til March 31st:

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

Q: Why are euchre and marriage the same?

A: sometimes you start out all hearts and diamonds, but end up wishing you had a club and a spade.

Q: How can you tell if a leprechaun likes your joke?

A: He's Dublin over with laughter!

Business

Roland introduced our guest, Dickie from Skate Church and The Center. Skate Church is a faith-based organization that began in a parking lot as an effort to reach youth who did not feel comfortable in a tradition church setting. It has since turned in to an indoor wall-to-wall skate park. At The Center and Skate Church the mantra is "Love in Action." There is a \$5 entrance fee, but much of the funding for Skate Church comes from St. John's Church and The Center. There are several different ministries within The Center including a breakfast and snack bar and a consignment shop. Currently, there are over 2,000 active skaters with an average of 200-300 per week. There are upcoming plans to build a skate park under the 74 bridge. This summer at the Centennial Skate Park, Skate Church will be taking over the concession stand in an effort to reach even more lives. Terry decided not to fine anyone this week. Carrie thanked our guests and we closed the meeting with the Optimist Creed.

Reminder:

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Please RSVP to Bernie