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"THE ORIGINAL TOMS RIVER SUPPER CLUR"

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GREETER

Feb 13 - Emir Turkes Feb 20 - Volkert Veeder Feb 27 - Pat Wallace

INVOCATION

Feb 13 - John Byrne Feb 20 - Chris Christiansen Feb 27 - Nancy Ellson

VISITING GUESTS

Feb 13 -Sam Leone Feb 20 - Stan Mahan Feb 27 - Terry McGovern

DATELINE

Feb 13VALENTINE'S DAY meetingFeb 20GIRL SCOUTS of JERSEY SHOREFeb 27OCEAN COUNTY TOURISMMarch 29Sth Annual SPRING FLING



CLUB NOTES

Our **50/50 Bonanza** tickets are now distributed. The drawing for 1st Prize of \$14,000, 2nd Prize of \$4,000, or 3rd Prize of \$2,000, is being held at our Spring Fling on March 29 at the Clarion. REMEMBER – all you have to do is ASK - ASK - ASK. They really sell themselves when you tell prospective buyers of the 3 prizes.

Spring Fling is fast approaching. Chairman Tim has distributed door tickets.and Chris distributed the rest of them last night. More tickets will be available at every meeting until the event. Remember, if you don't have them, you can't sell them! Tickets will be available at the door, also, but the Clarion needs a head count for the buffet. Tickets are \$35 and include dinner and 1 sheet of tickets. If vou need more solicitation letters Tim has them and also some small posters for windows. Gifts have been received already and Kim will be shopping for more. Anderson & Campbell has once again become a sponsor for the Spring Fling with a donation. If you know of an organization that would like to help support Rotary with either a cash donation or a gift basket, now would be a good time to bring it in.

CLUB NOTES

We are expecting at least the same size crowd as last year. Marie and Pat are flooding Facebook with the information and it is paying off. The **Spring Fling** has reached 7,000+ people, and over 400 have marked that they are either going or interested. As an aside, **Sailfest** has reached over 20,000 people, and many of them have marked that they are interested or going to the event, *and* we have a check in hand already for Sailfest! Our social media committee is really getting the word out about our club! Great Job!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Mary Ann and Volkert



CLUB NOTES

Our program last night was presented by Jodi Grinwold, from Applaud Out Kids Foundation. Jodi and her sister started Applaud Our Kids after their father passed away. He was an aspiring singer/songwriter and they thought what a better way to honor his memory than by starting an organization that will help young people realize their dreams of being a performer.

Their mission is to provide underprivileged children in our community with the funding and resources needed to attend ongoing performing arts classes.

The foundation provides funding for under served children ages 7-18 to take lessons in vocal instruction, dance, acting, and instrumental music for the entire school



VISITING GUESTS/ROTARIANS

Mary Ann Stacey's Mom





President Tony with Jodi Grinwald

year and for summer programs. They work with our local schools and community organizations to identify students who meet financial needs requirements. Students fill out an application which is then reviewed by the Advisory Committee for eligibility.

Students who take 4 years of performing arts average almost 100 points higher on their SAT scores than students who take only 1/2 year or less; Low-income students who are in the arts program are twice as likely to graduate college as their peers with no arts education; Arts students are 55% more likely to attend secondary schools and twice as likely to graduate college; Performing Arts education contributes to the proactive development of an individual on many levels.

FINES - HAPPY - WHATEVER

Hat Trick - Terry P/B/J - Len, Mike, Stan, Lou, Brian, Rich, Hal, Tim, George² - Rev Who Forgot to send Ripples - Len HAPPY-Tony - Good Meeting Happy/Sad - We were skiing in Vermont, but where's Mike? Mike - I was going up the hill when Stan was coming down the hill Hal - Pres Tony either late or early **Kim - PATRIOTS RULE!** George - 1st week in Feb & we have 6 paid vendors already for Sailfest Pat - Our 1st Sailfest Meeting today Stacey - Great Job Marie and Pat on our new Clubrunner web-site Mary Ann - Because everyone else is Nancy - Hooray! Football is over! Jodi - What a Happy Group!

50/50 BONANZA

Money and Ticket Stubs are Slowly coming in. We only have 7 weeks left. Don't even think about turning in unsold tickets the week before the Spring Fling?