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Opening

President Bill Costello welcomed members, visitors and guests to today's meeting. The newly-wed **Tim Cox** led the group with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance and **Jim Sharrock** introduced our visitors and guests. **President Bill** also thanked today's greeters, **Kristi Ray** and **Don Ludwig**.

Attendance

Visitors & Guests of Members:

Beth Lammers.....Terry Phillips

Visitor from Northwest:

Larry Mead

Announcements

Sarah Read said committee lists for the next year were on the tables and members were asked to add their names to a committee they are interested in joining or delete their name if they no longer wished to be on a particular committee. If members have not signed up for a committee by next week, one will be assigned to them.

The Fellowship and Community Services Committees are teaming up with support from Boone Electric Cooperative and Rotaract to host an August Blood Drive. The date is August 3rd. See **Kimberly Earnest** for more information.

President Bill read a note from **Karen Taylor**, winner of this year's Vocational Service Award, thanking Metro Rotarians for their help this past year.

President Bill applauded **Don Ludwig** and **Rose Hayden** for the outstanding job they did in putting together last Friday's Charter Night. He also gave a special thanks to **Mike Pitts** and **Dan Kliethermes** for hosting and providing the wonderful venue for the event. Photos can be found on the Metro website at:

<http://columbiametrorotary.org/photo-gallery/?album=4&gallery=9>. **Don**

Ludwig asked those who attended to let him know since it will count as a makeup.



President Bill also announced that **Jim** and **Audie Spieler** celebrated their 50th anniversary by attending Charter Night.

Cathy Scroggs and **Shawn Barnes**, members of the Voluntary Action Center Board of Directors presented the "Heart of VAC" award to fellow Rotarian, **Rob Christensen**. **Rob** was recognized for his activities to support VACs Christmas efforts to provide food vouchers and toys for needy kids.

Amanda, from the Columbia Country Club, announced a golf tournament to be held next Tuesday, the 22nd, in support of Lance Armstrong's Live Strong Foundation. They are hoping to make the record books with the largest shotgun start in history. Those interested should contact her for more information.

President Bill announced that nine of our fellow Metro Rotarians took advantage of the matching fellowship offer, donating over \$2000 toward a Paul Harris Fellowship.

Family of Rotary

Norm Benedict presented interesting facts about this date in history, including the fact that in 1963 Valentina Tereshkova of the USSR became the first woman launched into space (and he added "unfortunately she came back").

Groans were heard following that comment. **Norm** also noted that several Metro Rotarians were seen in last week's news: **Les Borgmeyer's** son was recognized for winning a \$5,000 Missouri Alumni Association scholarship to MU, and **Cathy** and **Stuart Scroggs** were photographed at the Voluntary Action Center "Spring into Action" event.

Sonja Derboven's birthday is June 20th, and **Rose Lloyd** will also be celebrating her birthday on the 21st.

On a more serious note, **Norm** advised that Lanny Johnson, son of **Lyle Johnson**, is scheduled for surgery in Kansas City this week, and asked for members to keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Brad Nelson levied fines of \$1 to those members who did not attend Charter Night. He also fined **Norm Benedict** \$2 for his remark about Valentina Tereshkova.

Upcoming Programs

June 23....Univ. of Mo Research Reactor
Ralph Butler

June 30.....President's Message
Bill Costello

July 7.....The Voice of the Tigers
Mike Kelly

July 14.....President's Address
Cindy Whaley

Assignments

Metro Rotary appreciates having the following members provide the raffle prize, sell the tickets, say the invocation, and lead the pledge. Please show your support by purchasing tickets that enable us to support our charities.

