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President Betty presided. Guests: Anita Snider, colleague of Betty and Kent at Kappa Alpha Order National Headquarters; and Partners Nancy Cuzzimano, Nancy Lowe, Barbara Risser, and Margaret Sayre. And let's not forget the delightful Ryan children: Anna and Danny. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 19 members, 4 Partners, and 1 guest for a total of 24. Actually 24³/₄, counting Anna Ryan as ¹/₂ and Danny Ryan as ¹/₄.

Announcements and Business:

1. DG George Karnes is seeking our help: District 7570 is happy to be able to continue the Group Study Exchange program for 2018-19. We have arranged for an exchange with District 3510 in Taiwan to take place from late March 4th to late April 4th. Taiwan is an amazing place to visit. The team will be immersed in their culture and experience incredible cuisine, diverse temples and religions, tour amazing educational and agricultural networks and incredible hospitality. Your help is needed to identify Rotarians who would be interested in participating as the team leader (must be a Rotarian) and team members who may or may not be Rotarians. All applicants for team member should be 35 years or younger and if the applicant is a Rotarian, they should have 5 or less years of service in Rotary. The applications and other information for both are on the district website at <http://www.rotary7570.org/GSE2>."
2. Meet the new RI President, Bahamian Barry Rassin and wife, Esther, in the July, 2018 issue of *the Rotarian* magazine. President of the renowned Doctors Hospital in Nassau, his theme for the year is "Be the Inspiration."
3. At this meeting one year ago, President Betty had both happy and sad bucks: "sad that today was her last day at HDT Global and happy that today was her last day at HDT Global." Hubby Kent was sad because he didn't know what this change was going to cost him.

Program:

Our Annual Family Picnic was held in the Rotary Pavilion at Jordan's Point Park in East Lexington. Beam-Me-Up Barbecue provided a wonderful outdoor meal. It consisted of pork barbecue plus 4 different sauces, baked beans, macaroni and cheese and buns with iced tea and water to drink. An excellent meal. Kent explained that Beam-Me-Up was selected as caterer because they have supported our club as a sponsor of the Leprechaun Leap the past two years.

It was a special evening: the Ryans were celebrating their wedding anniversary, Julia Van de Water was celebrating her 39th birthday again, and President Betty was looking forward to her 30th anniversary as a Rotarian next week. In honor of the occasion, Shane Gonsalves had baked a yellow sheet cake with icing. All present enjoyed the delicious dessert.

There was no formal program – just good food, fun, and fellowship. Thanks to Betty and Kent for arranging a wonderful evening.

Future Programs & Activities:

- Jul 18: Rockbridge Area Health Center by Suzanne Sheridan, RoD Dick Minnix
- Aug 14: Joint Meeting with Kerr's Creek Ruritan Club (TUESDAY at Kerr's Creek Presbyterian Church)
- Aug 22: Joint Meeting with Jaycees; planning RCF
- Aug 25: Rockbridge Community Festival

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