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President Scott presided. Guests: Partners Connie Loughhead Carter and son John Thomas Loughhead, Shirley Claiborn, Nancy Cuzzimano, Dot Fogo, Mike Higgins, Donna Pagnam, Melou Piegari, Anne Plante, Barbara Risser, and Anne Tucker; Trevor Sayre was the guest of his Mom, and Margaret and Robert Sayre were guests of Rae Carpenter. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 28 members and 14 guests for a total of 42.

This meeting was our Annual Family Picnic and was held in the Rotary Pavilion at Jordans Point Park in East Lexington. Emily Wallace and her crew provided a wonderful outdoor meal. It consisted of fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, chopped mixed fruit, and hot bread with lemonade and iced tea to drink. This was topped off with homemade cookies and brownies – a delicious meal.

Announcements and Business:

1. Correction: Mary Honsinger will announce the winner of our club-sponsored scholarship at Awards Night at RCHS this week.
2. AG Emily Higgins announced last week that a booth providing information about Rotary and its activities/services will be operated at Lexington Sunrise's Balloon Rally, our Community Festival, Mountain Days, and two more yet to be determined. All clubs in Area 6 (Buchanan, Buena Vista, Lexington, Lexington Sunrise, and Covington-Hot Springs) will assist in the booth.
3. Officers for the 2015-16 Rotary year will be installed at our meeting on July 1.
4. From the May issue of the District 7570 Rotary Informer:
 - a. According to the statistics sheet, for the Lexington Rotary Club during the period from July 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015: Annual Fund goal for the year: \$4170, actual contribution to date: \$4200; PolioPlus Goal for the year: \$1500, actual contribution to date: \$2360; Membership growth to date: +2. WAY TO GO, LEXINGTON ROTARY.
 - b. Check out the article on the Lexington Rotary Club Winter Bazaar on page 24.
 - c. A benefit cycle ride across parts of D7570 is scheduled for July 10-14: called the Transamerica Cycle Challenge; 9 Australian bike riders will take part; see p26 for more info.

Program:

President Scott summarized his year by focusing on these fundamentals: Service, Telling Our Story. Membership, and Communications. Selected highlights are shown below.

Service:

- Our outstanding social of the year was the annual holiday party organized and hosted by Charlotte Sibold at Sunnyside House at Kendal.
- Tours of local businesses/organizations were added to our schedule; to date, these included the Devil's Backbone Brewery and Boxerwood Nature Center and Woodland Garden; our club later assisted in securing a District Grant to enhance access to Boxerwood for handicapped and special-needs persons.
- Members continued active service on significant local projects such as the Rockbridge Community Festival, Rockbridge Christmas Basket Program, Roadside Clean-Up, Youth Exchange, Youth Scholarships at RCH, Honoring Veterans by Placing Flags on their Graves in Local Cemeteries on Memorial and Veterans Days, Group Study Exchange, and the PolioPlus Campaign.

- The success of our Annual Winter Bazaar was emphasized because of the necessity of rescheduling and relocating it due to a snow storm.
- The new initiative of scheduling service projects during or in lieu of regular meetings was singled out as a significant program improvement.
- Largely due to our AG, there was increased teamwork among the clubs in Area 6.

Telling Our Story:

- Articles have been published in the News-Gazette and the D7570 newsletter.
- Profiles have been presented by both new and veteran club members during regular meetings.
- A digital history of our club was distributed to members.

Membership:

- Two members are current in our new e-membership category.
- Interviews with former members have provided important feedback.
- Have added three new members this year and expect to add two more shortly.

Communications:

- Our club bulletin, published weekly, remains an important communications tool.
- Tremendous updating and improvement of our club website has been completed.
- A significant addition is the club operations calendar posted on our club's website.
- As a measure of its success, the revamped website is receiving numerous hits per month, even including some queries from non-Rotarians asking about Rotary.

This summary is proof-positive that the Lexington Rotary Club is not just a meet-and-eat club. Thanks to President Scott, all officers, and club members for an outstanding year.

Happy Bucks:

- Joe Pagnam was happy to report that recent surgery on Partner Donna's eye was more successful than originally thought; it is expected to get even better with time.
- Mary Sayre was happy on multiple counts: with Scott for a terrific year leading the club; she's excited about Derek and his upcoming year; with Emily and Derek for introducing the service projects at our regular meetings which have proven to be so much fun and satisfying; and with her son, Trevor, who helped build the Rotary Pavilion in which we sit while in a local Boy Scout troop.
- Emily Higgins was happy with Scott for doing a great job by keeping us together and keeping us on task, and for Derek whom she trusts will do likewise.
- Mike Higgins was happy to acknowledge the thoughts and prayers and cards from members/Partners after the death of his Mother; and was happy to recognize the birthday of his "beautiful bride" next Friday (the 5th).
- Josie McElroy was happy to commend Derek for his "willingness to serve;" that her youngest child just graduated from high school; and don't forget the second program at Lime Kiln this Saturday (the 6th).
- Derek Carter was also happy on multiple counts: his son and step-son will graduate from nursery school next week and his daughter just finished one level of Girl Scouting and plans to move up; that his beautiful wife Connie supports his involvement in Rotary and calms him down when he gets too excited(!); and that Scott has done a great job this year and he looks forward to working with him next year.
- Betty McMichael was happy to explain how she broke her wrist after Rotary last week while playing ball with her dog (those darn flip-flops); but was disappointed to receive so many different opinions from medical personnel as to whether the x-ray showed it was broken or not.
- Joe Milo was happy to say he liked this pavilion built by our club and was happy with the energy our club displays on projects and in meetings.

Pot:

No raffle tonight; pot continues at \$317.00.

Scamming Old Men:

Women often receive warnings about protecting themselves at the mall and in dark parking lots, etc. This is the first warning I have seen for men. I wanted to pass it on in case you haven't heard about it. A 'heads up' for those men who may be regular customers at Lowe's, Home Depot, Costco, Publix, B.J.'s, or even Wal-Mart.

This one caught me totally by surprise. Over the last month I became a victim of a clever scam while out shopping. Simply going out to get supplies has turned out to be quite traumatic. Don't be naive enough to think it couldn't happen to you or your friends.

Here's how the scam works; Two nice looking, college-age girls will come over to your car or truck as you are packing your purchases into your vehicle. They both start wiping your windshield with a rag and Windex, with their breasts almost falling out of their skimpy T-shirts. (It's impossible not to look). When you thank them and offer them a tip, they say 'No' but instead ask for a ride to McDonald's.

You agree and they climb into the vehicle. On the way, they start undressing. Then one of them starts crawling all over you, while the other one steals your wallet.

I had my wallet stolen March 4th, 9th, 10th, twice on the 15th, again on the 17th, 20th, 24th, and the 29th. Also April 2nd, 4th, 8th, twice on the 16th and 17th, and very likely again this upcoming weekend.

So tell your friends to be careful. What a horrible way to take advantage of us older men. Warn your friends to be vigilant. Wal-Mart has wallets on sale for \$2.99 each. I found even cheaper ones for \$.99 at the Dollar Store and bought them out in three of their stores. Also, you never get to eat at McDonald's. I've already lost 11 pounds just running back and forth from Lowe's, to Home Depot, to Wal-Mart.

So please, send this on to all the retired men that you know and warn them to be on the lookout for this scam. (The best times are just before lunch and around 4:30 in the afternoon.)

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Announcements and Business:

1. **NOTE THAT WE DO NOT MEET AT LGCC NEXT WEEK. Instead, we will gather at RARA on Spotswood Drive at 6:00 pm for a service project (see Board minutes below). Some members will go to the Sheridan Livery Inn for an optional dinner afterwards. Contact PE Derek ASAP if you wish to be included in the dinner party.**
2. PDG Rae Carpenter will install officers for the 2015-16 Rotary year at our meeting on July 1.
3. Our Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting immediately following our regular meeting tonight.

Minute for Rotary:

PP and PAG Mary Honsinger reminded us that membership is the responsibility of all members. She pointed out that, if we tell our story, Rotary will sell itself. She had placed small bags of M&M candies on each table to emphasize her points.

Program:

Our own Joe Pagnam presented a program on "Operation Torch: The Invasion of North Africa by Allied Troops, 1942" in honor of his father Colin Pagnam (1921 - 2006) who, as Joe stated, "sacrificed three brutal years fighting the Nazis during WWII, in order that we maintain our liberty and freedom today." His program consisted of textual, audio, and video info. His primary source of info was the internet.

The Special Boat Section (SBS) began its history during WWII, an Army commando unit tasked with amphibious operations. The men of the fledgling unit were not particularly well trained or equipped but they were enthusiastic, resourceful and cunning. Usually working in 2 man groups, paddling ashore on canoes launched from submarine motherships, the teams would seek out and sabotage high value targets such as rail and communication lines. The first of such raids took place along the shores of Italy and the Mediterranean Islands. The fledgling special operations force also developed anti-shipping skills, using canoes to sneak into harbors and plant limpet mines on the hulls of enemy ships. In November 1942, one group of Royal Marines, who were to become known as 'The Cockleshell Heroes', carried out an audacious attack on German shipping, a raid that took them far up the Gironde river where they sank four enemy ships. Their expertise at clandestine infiltration made the SBS the perfect choice for inserting and extracting secret agents in the European theatre and this was a task they carried out many times throughout the course of the war. (Note: SBS was the forerunner of Navy SEALs.)

In November 1942, as part of Operation Torch, the Allied invasion of French North Africa, there was an attempt to take the port of Oran. On the night of November 8, approximately four hundred British and American troops were transported in two sloops to land at Oran and hopefully secure the harbor from sabotage and, even better, accept the surrender of the city. Things did not proceed according to plan. The ships involved were two former American Banff class sloops (Coast Guard cutters), HMS Walney and HMS Hartland, each of about 1,500 tons,

armed with a single 5-inch gun plus smaller weapons and a speed of 16 knots. On each vessel were two teams of British SBS, 8 men with 4 canoes and mini torpedoes. They were to be launched once inside the harbor and attack the enemy ships with the torpedoes.

The landing ships in fact came under sustained fire from the defenders once they were inside the harbor boom including four shore batteries firing 105 mm shells. There were 31 French ships in the port which did considerable damage to the ships in the British/American fleet. Casualties during Operation Reservist exceeded 90%. Of the 393 American infantrymen of the 3rd Battalion, 6th Armored Infantry Regiment, 189 were killed in action and 157 wounded. The Royal Navy suffered 113 dead and 86 wounded and a small US Navy team assigned as anti-sabotage five dead and seven wounded. Walney made it alongside the jetty and succeeded in landing a small number of men. The survivors were captured. The defenders surrendered two days after the invasion, but the harbor facilities had been destroyed.

“On the Hartland SBS was represented by Lieutenants J.C.C. Pagnam and three others. They were armed with mini-torpedoes but were unable to use them as their canoes were damaged by gunfire. They jumped into a Carley float with several Americans and came under heavy machine-gun fire which killed half of the latter. The survivors were taken prisoner and locked up in a fort until released by the arrival of American troops with a tank. The SBS survivors were ordered to make their own way back to the United Kingdom as soon as possible. Colin Pagnam and seven NCOs were flown back to the United Kingdom in a US Army Liberator.

Summary of June 10 Board of Directors Meeting:

- **Nepal Relief: Josie McElroy** updated the board on the cost of shelter boxes, a Rotary International – recommended means for clubs to cooperate in international relief efforts. Our club supported past relief efforts in this way. The board approved a motion to commit up to \$1,000 to fund a shelter box for Nepal.
- **Youth Study Exchange: PP Kent McMichael** informed the board that Deva Lillaheart returns from her year in Japan in a few weeks. The club will schedule her to report on her year in Japan within a year of her return.
- **Lexington Rotary Club Scholarship: PP Jim Slack** updated the board on our annual \$2,000 scholarship. **PP and PAG Mary Honsinger**, a member of his committee presented the check at a ceremony last week. Jim passed along Mary’s recommendation that the club increase the value of our scholarship; the board took this under advisement.
- **Membership: PP and AG Emily Higgins** updated the board on the status of two new members pending induction – Roger Jarrell and PDG Robert Sayre; Emily will check with Roger on his recovery from knee surgery, and will schedule Robert’s induction separately. She told the club that we have eight potential new members identified, and might easily earn recognition from District for our growth. Scott thanked board members for their quick responses on a motion worked by e-mail to waive the induction fee for PDG Robert Sayre.
- **Treasurer’s Update: PP John Tucker** reported that the club has more than \$7,000 on account. Scott asked John to prepare a treasurer’s report before the induction of new officers on July 1, so Derek and Skip know our financial status. Scott reminded the board that we already committed \$2,000 of the money John mentioned; \$1,000 to support the new Rotaract without Borders at VMI, and \$1,000 to fund a shelter box for Nepal.
- **Rockbridge Community Festival: PN Skip Ravenhorst** updated the board on the By-Laws whereby our club and the Lexington Jaycees bilaterally plan and conduct this annual event. **PP Kent McMichael** told the club that planning appears to be going well; **Max Ivankov** chairs the planning committee, which includes **PP Mary Sayre, PP Jim Slack, Michelle Jones** and **Laura Evans** from our club.
- **501(c)3 Tax Exempt Status: PP Jim Slack** updated the board on the documentation needed to incorporate the club foundation and to request 501(c)3 tax exempt status. The board unanimously passed a motion approving this document and incorporation, and decided to ask our pro-bono attorney to submit the paperwork requesting our tax exempt status. The board must determine annually the composition of the foundation corporate board; the club board may serve as the corporate board.

- **Service Project: PE Derek Carter** updated the board on the club service project at RARA scheduled Wednesday, 17 June, reminding board members to inform him by e-mail if we wish to join in an informal dinner afterwards at the Sheridan Livery. Scott asked Derek to follow up with Ms. Kitty Brown, RARA executive director, to ascertain their plans to keep us gainfully employed.
- **Leave of Absence Request:** The board earlier by e-mail approved **Heather Branstetter's** request for a leave of absence through the end of August.

Scott thanked board members for their service to the club, their support and mentoring, and the great work they did throughout the past year.

Happy Bucks:

- Scott Risser was happy on two counts: for the fine program delivered by Joe and for his father, Colin Pegram, a true hero.
- Ed Jeffries reported his dog was a happy camper again; he had to take him to VA Tech for treatment and then went through a 3-month walking rehabilitation during which the dog lost 8 lbs while Ed lost 15, but his dog is now able to travel with him daily although Ed has to lift him into the SUV.
- Kent McMichael was happy to recommend a 1947 movie called "Hellcats" that starred Ronald Reagan and his future wife Nancy; the plot involved a SEAL-like operation similar to what we've heard about tonight.
- Joe Pagnam was happy to recommend an upcoming program at the Harvester Performance Center in Rocky Mount, VA: appearing tomorrow night will be Tab Benoit from Louisiana who plays red hot blues interspersed with comedy.
- Robert Sayre was so pleased with his welcome by our Club.
- Scott Risser was happy to laud the VMI baseball team who have had two players drafted by major league teams for the first time; he singled out the catcher who is among three candidates for the Johnny Bench Award given to the outstanding catcher in Division 1 competition; the other two are from LSU and Southern Cal – tall competition.
- Linda Krantz was happy to relate a joke which your editor will save and include in a future publication when we have more space available.

and

- (omitted last week by mistake) Melou Piegari was happy to note that she and Trevor Sayre appeared together in a play at VMI about 20 years ago.

Pot:

Josie McElroy won the drawing but not the BIG pot that now totals \$336.00..

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President Scott presided. Continuing our service initiative, our club met at the Rockbridge Area Relief Association (RARA) in lieu of our regular dinner meeting. Guests: None. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 22 members. Meeting held at the RARA building on Spotswood Drive in Lexington.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. NOTE THAT WE WILL BE BACK AT OUR REGULAR MEETING PLACE (LGCC) NEXT WEEK AND GATHER AT THE USUAL TIME, 6:00 PM.**

Program:

A service project was conducted in lieu of our regular dinner meeting this week. We gathered at 6:00 pm at the RARA building located at 350 Spotswood Drive in Lexington.

The Rockbridge Area Relief Association (RARA) is an emergency relief agency, providing local households with aid in times of emergency, when other community or personal resources have been exhausted. They serve a variety of clients, including single parents, low income working people, the elderly, and those who may require aid due to the transitional loss of a job, or medical hardship.

Direct assistance is prioritized in the following categories: food, heat, non-heat utilities, rent, mortgage, transportation, and they can refer clients who need help to other agencies such as social services, crisis fuel, heating and cooling assistance.

RARA does not cover assistance for purchase of clothing, over-the-counter medications or phone bills. Money is not paid directly to a client.

Our project entailed cleaning the building and parking lot and rearranging the food supplies. Members were asked to bring some of the following: push brooms and dust pans; rakes; several trash grabber sticks (like we use for the highway cleanup); work gloves to pick up trash and pull weeds; and some buckets and sponges to wash shelves

Inside the building, our members scrubbed shelves, dusted cans and other items of food, added/rearranged food on cleaned shelves, and swept and mopped the floor. Outside the building, members picked up trash (mainly cigarette butts), pulled weeds, and swept and cleaned the parking lot.

Kitty Brown, Executive Director of RARA. praised our work, saying "The place looks much better. Thanks for your help."

After completion of the service project, some members gathered at the Sheridan Livery Restaurant in Lexington for dinner. Thanks to PE Derek Carter for making all arrangements for the evening.

The Book of OLD:

Chapter 1: Games For When We Are Older

1. Sag. You're it.
2. Pin the toupee on the bald guy.
3. 20 questions shouted into your good ear.
4. Kick the bucket.
5. Red Rover, Red Rover, the nurse says bend over.
6. Doc. Doc. Goose.
7. Simon says something incoherent.

8. Hide and go pee.
9. Spin the bottle of Mylanta.
10. Musical recliners.

Chapter 2: Old is When

1. Old is when – your sweetie says, “Let’s go upstairs and make love,” and you answer, “Honey, I can’t do both.”
2. Old is when – your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes and you’re barefoot.
3. Old is when – a sexy babe catches your fancy and your pacemaker opens the garage door.
4. Old is when – going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.
5. Old is when – you don’t care where your spouse goes, just as long as you don’t have to go along.
6. Old is when – the doctor cautions you to slow down instead of the police.
7. Old is when – “getting a little action” means I don’t have to take any fiber today.
8. Old is when – “getting lucky” means you find your car in the parking lot.
9. Old is when – an “all-nighter” means not getting up to pee.

(Source unknown.)

Pot:

No raffle this week so the pot remains at \$336.00..

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Announcements and Business:

1. Max Ivankov reported on preparations for the upcoming Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF). The Planning Committee has met several times recently; their next meeting is scheduled for July 14. Vendor registration to date stands at about 50% of last years total – a good omen. The committee is working with the city to plan a new street layout for next year.
2. AG Emily Higgins announced that Area 6 Rotary Clubs will man an information booth at the Lexington Sunrise Club's Balloon Rally on July 3-5. The intent is to disperse information about Rotary. She will contact individual members to seek volunteers to staff the booth in two-hour shifts. There is a possibility that Areas 5 and 7 will also be represented.

Induction of New Member:

Membership Chair Emily Higgins inducted our newest member:

Robert B. (Robert) Sayre. Classification: Corporate Law. Robert and Partner Margaret make their home at Kendal at Lexington; their address is 160 Kendal Drive, Apartment 13. Robert may be contacted at 464-1342 (HP) or 304-253-7393 (CP) or robertbsayre@gmail.com.

Robert comes to us after almost 57 years as a member of the Beckley (WV) Rotary Club. He has served Rotary in numerous capacities, including club president, Governor of District 7550, Paul Harris Fellow, and Major Donor. Outside of Rotary, his service includes membership on the first WV Ethics Commission (appointed by the Governor), Fellow of the WV Bar Association, and President of the Raleigh County Historical Society. An outstanding record of, as they say, a 'mover and shaker.'

Welcome, Margaret and Robert. We look forward to many years of service and fellowship together.

Program:

RoD Linda Krantz introduced our speaker, Noah Simon. Noah Simon has been City Manager here since October 2014. He has more than 14 years experience in diverse local government, having also worked in Georgia, Texas, Minnesota, Culpeper Virginia, and College Park Maryland.

Noah is a member of, or graduate of, many City/County Management Associations and leadership courses including those designed to cultivate key competencies needed for successful leadership at all levels of local government. He is also a graduate of the Senior Executive Institute at UVA's Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, a program for local government administrators focusing on leadership, democratic principles, and high-performance organizations.

Noah holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Emory and a Master of Public Policy degree from American University in DC. He loves to travel, cook, and read, and is an enthusiastic baseball and college basketball fan.

He is engaged to Jennifer Blount, an engineer and project manager in Dallas, TX. As an interesting aside, Noah said she accompanied him on his visit to Lexington for an interview. She told him, "If you are offered this job, take it. This is where I want to be."

Noah concentrated on a few areas that he felt were crucial to Lexington's future :

- aging infrastructure – study to determine critical needs;
- create a financial roadmap for the future;
- study how to do things more smoothly, effectively, and efficiently; in other words, become lean and mean;
- economic development – enhance downtown, redevelop property, foster entrepreneurship.

Attention to these issues will ensure that Lexington has a bright future.

Noah is very well spoken and seems to have a good grasp of the issues facing us. His experience should lead us securely into the future.

Congratulations:

Several members have celebrated significant anniversaries so far this year as members of our club: Stewart Fleming – 20 years, joined on 1/17/1995; Joe Milo – 15 years, joined on 2/1/2000; and Mary Sayre – 5 years, joined on 2/22/2010. It seems only yesterday.

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Happy Birthday to: Margaret Sayre on June 30th; Julia Van de Water on July 11th; and Nancy Lowe on July 21st.

Happy Anniversary to Linda and David Krantz on July 29th.

Happy Bucks:

- Joe Pagnam was happy to be a Rotarian and member of this club.
- Scott Risser was happy to commend the VMI Community Theater and their production of "Heart of the West," a show featuring tales of the old American West; one of the performers is Partner Donna Pagnam.
- Julie Goyette was happy to thank our speaker, Noah Simon, for coming tonight and giving his thoughts for the future of Lexington.
- Derek Carter was happy to contribute for his guest whom he did not have a chance to introduce but learned his guest had already introduced himself while Derek was out of the room.
- John Tucker was happy to report that he had recently donated his 160th pint of blood to the American Red Cross for a grand total of 20 gallons; someone remarked he did look a little peaked..

Better Than the Lottery:

The month of August, in 2015, will have 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays. This happens only once every 823 years. The Chinese call it 'Silver Pockets Full'. Legend has it that if you send this message to your friends, in four days money will surprise you. (Based on Chinese Feng Shui.)

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Nick Cuzzimano won the raffle but not the BIG pot that now totals \$353.50.

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