<u>CONVENTION MEETING</u> April 9, 2017 at DeLizia-Schroll's hosting 2pm Pat opened mtg at 2:10pm. Reading of the Minutes from 3/18 mtg read.

Treasurer's Report read by Paul Schroll. Bank is charging our account .50 for each transaction over 50 transactions a month so Paul will combine deposits, etc.

Wendy Meehan reported the Marriott opened more rooms & cleared our waiting list. 40 Chapters & 28 States/Countries represented. 136 Registrations/209 people. Average registration fee \$475. 27 T-shirts & 50 Polos ordered. 61 cars & 18 trailers. At the Convention, the registrations table hours are: Weds. 2-5pm, Thurs. 9-5pm. Suggestion made to give wristbands for the cookout & breakfast tickets & tickets for Welcome party. Envelopes for registrants at the desk will have all the tickets people signed up for.

Registration online thru PayPal (fee 2.9% + .30 transaction fee). Better for our club members pay by personal checks.

Mike reported that we have signed "Securitas" for security for the show field. No deposit required. Transportation rate sheet passed out listing 3 companies & rates. Info will be posted on the convention site for registrant's information with company phone numbers & NJORTC club code for booking.

Wendy reported on signups for trips & events: 140 Welcome Dessert, 7 Yoga, 10 Stress, 24 Short Hills Mall, 46 Driving event, 200 Cookout, 128 for 9/11 & NYC trip, 2 Casino, 191 Banquet, 123 Circle Line. 7 cars for detailing. 15 first-time attendees.

Break for Lunch

Pat reported that it was 112 days to the Convention!

Joe Kubat reported on the trips. Circle Line 2 full buses. Lucille working on contract. Discussion on busses & trips ensued.

Joanne not attending but Pat said Casco will be doing our goodie bags & Hills our lanyards.

Arlene Kubat-Volunteers list taken care of & she'll get their cell-phone #'s to call members if she needs help in certain areas during the convention.

Also discussed shopping for drinks & water for hospitality room. Hours will be 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. She will also look into music at the BBQ. Pat will take care of piped-in background music & microphone for Welcome Dessert.

Bill Downing-Early Bird May/June issue will have article/ad on convention. He also requested if anyone had an article they wanted to publish. Phil Guidone-sending out thank you's to people making donations. He has ad commitments but would like to see more, June 1st deadline. Lois said that CTCI donated numerous items that we can use for door prizes, etc.

Vince Ucci-Trophies & acrylic paperweights discussed.

Diane Szura-10 baskets made & she brought some to show us with tags w/our logo nicely on them. Donations needed for baskets suggestions of wine basket or car books/car products themes & other tricky-tray items. She'll buy rolls of tickets & buckets for tickets.

Steve Handy purchased a raffle-tickets "mixer basket" to use for 50/50 etc.

Rich Martin reported he has enough volunteers for the show field. Trailer parking will be handled by Bruce Corbett. Also he is scoping out the parking lot for putting signs & barriers.

Discussion held re designs for centerpieces for Cookout/Welcome dessert/Banquet.

Pat mentioned if committee chairmen needed help or volunteers please let him know.

Next meeting hosted by Rich & Lois Martin on May 7th at 12:00. Friday, June 2nd meeting at the Pyrros 6pm.

Meeting adjourned 5:20 p.m.