



Over the Coffee Cup

Quincy Optimist Club

February 27, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

DERBY - Working on the Derby cars today 1 to 4 and for the next few weeks preparing for this summer's race. See Ray, Aiden, Glenn, Bob, or one of the crew to volunteer.

Ongoing LCR - maintenance LCR cans. Can rotation to take place this month. Get a buddy and sign up for a route. Call or see Earnie Bain for instructions and to sign up for a route.

Anniversary Celebrations - Plans are ongoing for our sixty-year club anniversary and twenty years of The Quincy Derby celebration. Plans include a float in the Dogwood parade. Other details as they become available.

CLUB NEWS

GLENN EBBING RETURNS! Hopefully no more surgery and he now will have to remember to put the seat down.

Coach ALEX ALTMIX – Welcome back – In the spirit of the cub fans wait till next year!

JAKE REED - Welcome back! Where was Laura Oakman to make the city contingent complete?

MEMBERSHIP - The club is on a mission to increase its membership to sixty members. We were blessed this morning to learn of two new members being added and we had one guest in attendance, Adam Adrian. We are on our way.

LCR - Currently we have 71 Litter Can Receptacles on the street, 284 sides, approximately 216 sides sold leaving 68 sides available. The club's goal is to reach 90% of available sides with advertising. If my math is reasonably close, that means we need sell 40 sides, and since new advertisers must buy two sides, we need 20 new customers. We are waiting for the paperwork on one those 20 so we are down to 19.

Good News Can – A member was recognized for contributing \$10 to the can at the meeting last week. With humility and a little humor, the member acknowledges his gift.

Meeting Notes- Carol Nichols is in need of a flatbed trailer and old tractor to plus it for nonprofit she helps for a float in the Dogwood parade.

Prayers –

Member update on Rick Bybee – He is in cardiac rehab and progressing slowly. Rick has been a member of this club as far back as I can remember. He has been unable to participate in our meetings and events lately.

Opening Prayer – Tom Arnold – Thank you Lord for the beautiful weather and the upcoming cold weather. The cold weather is provided to remind us to be grateful for the warm weather. Watch over all our members who are unable to attend.

ATTENDANCE 23

GUESTS Adam Adrian

FINES – Dennis Alias “Zap” – Ray Wilson Last one in the door, and Bernie Taus I forgot the reason.

BIRTHDAY/WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES – C. E Archer March 1st – o did you come in like a lion or a lamb?

DRAWING WINNER

Words of Wisdom from C.E. Archer - CE Provides an amazing array of wisdom each week. I am only able to choose one example to reprint here. Come to a meeting and be inspired!



Joke – Kenny Hultz –

Mr. Muldoon, an elderly man was extremely fond of his dog Molly, who died. He approached Father O'Malley about having a funeral mass for the dog. Father O'Malley rejected his request with the retort "the catholic church does not provide services for animals". However, seeing Muldoon's disappointment, Fr. O'Malley suggested he contact the protestant church down the road with the comment, "who knows what they believe". Muldoon feeling relieved, asked the priest "do you think a \$ 5,000 donation to the church would be appropriate"? To which Father O'Malley responded, "why didn't you tell me the dog was catholic"?

Thoughts to ponder – why do they call it "Quick Sand" if it works so slowly?

- PROGRAM Retired Seniors Volunteers
- PRESENTER Keith Richardson

The organization coordinates, enlists, and provides senior volunteers, 55 years or older, to organizations and individuals, who provide services to the residents and organizations serving Adams, Brown and Pike counties in Illinois. The organization is sponsored by John Wood Community College and more information is provided on the college's web site.

Remember the creed "to be so strong that *nothing* can disturb your peace of mind"

Upcoming meeting & Speaker

See the club web page for details

Each week

6:45 to 8 AM Doors open 6:30
American Legion - 116 N. 8th

Till then in the words of Red Skelton, "May God Bless!"

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