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Meeting of April 13, 2010

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY OUR PRESIDENT, DEB SITZ, OPENING WITH PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, STANLEY LOULA LED US IN SINGING "OUR COUNTRY, TIS OF THEE", AND STANLEY LOULA GAVE THE FOUR WAY TEST OF THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO. RANDY WOMACK SAID A PRAYER.

MIRA. **Donna Adamic, Magda Favale, Sheila Ryan Henry, Pat Pavlich and Everett Van Reken. Wow!**

SICK:

VISITORS: Judy Baar Topinka

FINES: John Usmial got 100%.

RAFFLE WINNER: Diane Kuratko won \$12.00. Lucky day!

MAKEUPS:

WE NEED YOUR MAKE UP CARDS FROM THE CLUB YOU VISITED TO GIVE YOU WELL DESERVED CREDIT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May 7th PAV YMCA Teeter Award Dinner at Crystal Skye
 May 7th Fundraiser at Pierre's Banquets for Northwest Rotary.
 June 25th St. Frances of Rome Golf Outing Tamarack, Naperville

Deb has Polio Plus stickers for \$1.00 a piece. We are up to \$470+ on the goal to reach \$1,000.

Rotary International comments: The 1989 Council on Legislation vote to admit women into Rotary clubs worldwide remains a watershed moment in the history of Rotary. The vote followed a decades-long effort of men and women from all over the Rotary world to allow for the admission of women into Rotary clubs, and several close votes at previous Council meetings.

In 1950, an enactment to delete the word male from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution was proposed by a club in India during the Council. From 1950 to 1989, the Council considered 13 proposals to allow women into Rotary.

In a lawsuit filed by the Duarte club in 1983, the California Superior Court ruled in favor of Rotary International, upholding gender-based qualification for membership in California Rotary clubs. But in 1986, the California Court of Appeals reversed the lower court's decision, preventing the enforcement of the provision in the state. The California Supreme Court refused to hear the case, and it was appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

On 4 May 1987, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that Rotary clubs may not exclude women from membership on the basis of gender. Rotary issued a policy statement asserting that any Rotary club in the United States could admit qualified women into membership. The RI Board of Directors encouraged "all clubs in the U.S. to give fair and equal consideration to candidates for membership without regard to gender."

In 1989, at its first meeting after the Supreme Court ruling, the Council on Legislation in Singapore voted to eliminate the requirement in the RI Constitution that membership in Rotary clubs be limited to men. The first female Council representative served in 1998. The 2010 Council is the first in which a female RI director is serving, as a nonvoting member.

District News District Assembly will be held at the District Conference in Lincolnshire.

Program: John Kociolko on the Civil War. Great Job, John!

Quip of the Week From the cartoon, Maxine, "Do you realize that in about forty years, we'll have millions of old ladies running around with tattoos and pierced navels?" (Now that's scary!)

ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL: PRAYER WITH DR. VAN REKEN OR RANDY WOMACK, FINES WITH STANLEY LOULA AND JOHN USMIAL AND 4 WAY TEST WITH DENNIS RALEIGH

FUTURE PROGRAMS: April 20th 4 way Essay Test Winners
 April 27th Open
 May 3rd Jeff Davis
 May 11th Service above Self
 May 18th Board Meeting
 May 25th Open

