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Robert Oswald, president

Thomas Quinlan, secretary

Bob Oswald's First Swing of The Rotary Gavel

There were 22 Rotarians and guests on hand to witness the changing of the guard for our club. It was good to see Wayne and Pat Hunt back after a long absence. Wayne took a break from the politicking on the Cohocton Town Board.

Here are the guests, who were promptly introduced: Cynthia Oswald with her mother Ruth (the First Lady and Mother-in-law, if you will), Joann Smith, Marilyn Robinson, Suzy StGeorge, Mary Quinlan, Pat Hunt, Arlene Hazlett and Peter Vogt.

The Miller House started us with a different touch of the tossed salad, containing a slice of sautéed onion to go with the leafy stuff. A big stuffed pork chop with mashed potato and broccoli with cheese sauce followed. We rounded off the meal with a Key Lime Pie slice and coffee.

There was considerable chatting going on around the long table, so it took some extra swift blows to the bell to get everybody's attention. Our outgoing President Pat counted on some fines from incoming President Bob, based on some fine pictures he showed at the bar, but it was Reverend George who started. He officiated at the wedding of Cynthia and Bob's son, and it had been a pleasant task, so he thought a couple of happy ones were in order. Bob volunteered a five for the happy event.

Roy Robinson had a couple of happy bucks for a new great grandchild, Annalee. Hm, I guess the standard five is for grandchildren? Anyway, Roy should be happy!

Wayne Hunt peeled out three happy bucks for being able to come, grandson leaving after a long stay, and the last, - "just because..."

President Pat put in a five for being on vacation, and "reaching the end of her term."

Before proceeding to the hand-over part, Pat had Ruth draw the winning 50/50. Once again it went to a Robinson, but Marilyn this week, and she generously donated the winnings to the club. Thanks Marilyn!



May we present President Bob as he "wrestles the gavel free" from Pat's hands. He went on to start something new, - recognizing and awarding Rotarians right away.

He gave Pat a past President's pin, then special pins for Tom Quinlan and Art Traphagen for their valuable services.

Four members had perfect attendance during the past year, Pat and Bo Lysell, Art Traphagen and Sharon Vogt. They received a pin too.

After observing that he was proud to serve with us in the community, and thanking us for the opportunity, he adjourned the meeting until July 10, dealing the poor bell a very swift blow. At last someone who can ring the bell, muttered Sharon. She sat next to it. Oh well...