



# HOT POTATO

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Don Griffing, president

Thomas Quinlan, secretary

## First Meeting of 2006.

If you deduce from the headline that not much happened last meeting, you are right. President Don, was absent. I don't know if past president Tom Didas had made any arrangements with him but there we were with our own Alex Haig in charge. This may be an excuse to look into the org-chart (as it's called by the MBAs of business).

We had a make-up guest from Dansville, Sharon Vogt, whom I think all of us have met before. It was good to see her, and we were intrigued to hear about a possible "defection" from her club in favor of ours. I hope our singing didn't permanently change her mind... She introduced an interesting concept from Dansville, the happy dollar. This is not a substitute for a fine. (*You can get fined for being too happy?*) Thanks for the tip and the contribution!

Marty Kimmel seized on the moment to report he just got word of another grandchild on the way. I don't know if president Don will consider the buck a first payment on a lay-away plan?

It was Chicken Marsala last time, served with mashed potato with gravy and green beans on the side. Tossed

salad with French dressing had preceded it, and we followed with a "chocolate peanut thing," as somebody described it. I can't improve on that description, so we let it stand.

After we had finished our meal, acting pres. Tom started acting up. He solicited confessions, and displayed signs of hubris. "Pat, what did Bo do?" etc.

Nancy and Milt Levesque had an anniversary. Our singing did not improve, but she took it well (I don't know about Sharon, - too afraid to look), so the \$2 fine was certainly a lot.

Tom Quinlan was away for a couple of weeks over the holidays. He had met another Rotarian down in Florida, whom he did not name explicitly, but I think most of us recognized as our FINK "Bud." They had also migrated North to the cold Myrtle Beach for a little while. Seven rounds of golf were a respectable number nevertheless, so \$3 seemed reasonable.

This week's publicity hunter was Marty Kimmel, who had adorned the pages of the GCE. I think a couple of bucks was the verdict, so we may have almost broken even, this evening.

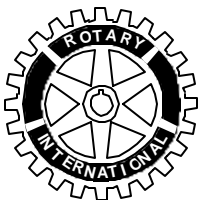
## Business

There was not much we could do without the "administration" in place. We discussed which meeting we should skip in lieu of the Saturday meeting at Art and Deanie Traphagen on January 21. Since we didn't hear from the CC (Community Chest), which Tuesday they prefer, we left it with a meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>.

If the CC shows up on Tuesday, then we'll skip next Tuesday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. If the CC has to wait until the 17<sup>th</sup>, then we'll take the 24<sup>th</sup> off. We assume that the program for the 10<sup>th</sup> will be the CC, otherwise maybe we can have Bob Radell tell some of his good stories.

Art Traphagen was selling raffle tickets. No, nothing Rotarian this time, but his grandchild is going to China with a group of children. The tickets benefit this group, and cost \$5 or five for \$20. Roy Robinson realized that he also has a grandchild going on the same trip. If you missed the opportunity, you can probably contact Art at home. Sharon Vogt spoke highly of the program from personal experience.

Acting president Tom adjourned the meeting. Thank you Tom, you didn't abuse the power, but there are times when you are not there, so we do need to look at the vice presidential situation, I think.



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I don't normally load up this newsletter with reprints from other Rotary sources. Here is something, which may be of interest to at least Bob:

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