

Weekly Meeting Minutes April 25, 2019

President Letty Dietes called the meeting to order at 11:55 AM.

The invocation was presented by Sarah Villarreal.

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Nancy Mason.

The following members were present:

Rick Coleman Letty Dietes
George Fisher Bob Hogue
Fay Hopkins Jack Hopkins
Jack Kellmann Nancy Mason
Russell Shrader Sarah Villarreal

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Birthdays for the Month are: April 23 Russell Shrader April 26 Libby Overholt

And Rick inserted some humor.

Minutes from the April 18, 2019 meeting were read by Secretary Jack Hopkins. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jack Kellmann and was seconded by Bob Hogue. The motion Passed.

Guests this week were George Fisher and Rick Coleman, as well as our speaker Bill Bailey.

The fines were collected by Treasurer Russell Shrader

Nancy Mason reported on the Oratorical Contest at the Baytown District Meeting on the 13th. The winner is from Katy and is going to the World Oratorical in St. Louis.

Fay Hopkins commented that the Baytown Club has a great clubhouse.

Next year's District Meetings will be: First Quarter San Antonio Second Quarter - Bryan/College Station Third Quarter - Houston Fourth Quarter Kerrville

Letty Dietes related a story about parking and a homeless man.

President Letty Dietes introduced Bill Bailey - our Santa Claus.

Bill Bailey talked to us about the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department. He discussed creating a park in the Stone Oak area with land donated by developer Dan Parman. He went on with future plans for additional parks. Among major cities, we are ranked 42nd. Part of the ranking is what percentage of citizens are within 1/2 miles of a park. We are at 38%. Bill is on the Bond Committee for Parks, and had some great insight into the moneys spent.

Bill Bailey drew the winning ticket and Rick Coleman won \$16.00. It was not Sarah!

Various anecdotes by Rick and Fay followed. And Bill Bailey recalled some experiences from past Christmas Parties.

Following the Optimist Creed, the meeting adjourned at 12:51 PM.

Recorded and Submitted

Secretary Jack Hopkins