

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

- The meeting was called to order by President Jim Webb at 1:05 PM.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by our President, Jim Webb.
- Reverend Kazban opened the meeting with a prayer followed by Jim Webb, who asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the losses that occurred on September 11, 2001. Jim asked if members would like to give personal accounts of their experiences of September 11, 2001. Many members responded with touching memories of that day.
- Joe Pullaro introduced the guest speaker, Franklin Lakes Police Chief Carmine Pizzuto. Chief Pizzuto gave an account of his career, police activities in Franklin Lakes, and discussed the latest technology advances in law enforcement. He then responded to questions from our membership (which were many). He received a rousing round of applause when he completed his presentation.
- Jim Webb thanked Tim Tracy for the pickleball exhibit.
- Joe Pullaro spoke about the Ridgewood Symphony Orchestra and placed brochures on everyone's seat.
- Mark Cohan gave the treasurer's report. He stated that the club is meeting its commitments and he doesn't believe we will need an increase in dues for 2019. He also reminded all to get their dues checks in for 2019.
- Vince Tortorelli reminded everyone of our upcoming breakfast at the Brickhouse, which is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9th at 9:00 AM. The cost is \$13.00 per person and suggested that members get their checks in ASAP.
- Walt Widmer gave the membership report and stated that as of October 15th, the club had 367 paid members. This number has remained constant over the last 5 years. Walt introduced Tony Dilorgi, who recently joined the club.
- Doug Cooper stated that we had lost 3 members recently and Guy Cappello's wife, Helen. The members who passed were Warren Kraemer, Robert Peneno and William Schultz.
- Ramon Casaprima, past president, gave an inspired presentation about the great people in our organization and pleaded with everyone to "join Clubs". He praised the stock club members and said there were openings in all clubs.
- Marty McGonigle discussed "Project Outreach" and asked for members to help out whenever they could.
- Jim Webb again reminded everyone of the Suggestion Box and said the board would review all suggestions.
- Club Activities:
 - John Caikowsky said there was a schedule of tour events in the rear of the auditorium and that the club could use more help. If interested, just speak to John. Upcoming events are the Breakfast at the Brickhouse on October, 9th, the

Octoberfest at the Brownstone on October 24th, and the Christmas Party at Seasons on December 10th.

- Jack Yurasek said the Science Club was doing well, but could use additional members.
 - Al Coldon mentioned to all that he was giving out our AU cards and he would hope that everyone had some in their wallets. He pleaded with the membership to use these cards.
 - Walt Widmer mentioned that the discussion group meets on the Wednesday following the general meeting and invited everyone to come. This week's agenda item was Marijuana.
 - George Lewis spoke to the need to get involved with our clubs. He mentioned that we had lost a couple of clubs recently, (ski club, chess club, bowling club). George also reminded everyone that a couple of new clubs were forming, IE pickleball and bocci ball.
- Joe Pullaro asked the membership to give him feedback as to who and what they would like to have as presenters for next year.
 - There were 92 members present at the meeting.
 - The meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Howard Vogel, Secretary