



Richmond Kiwanis



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13 **Kiwanis: " Changing the world one child and one community at a time."** J. McCarter, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at the 19th Hole Restaurant by Vice-President Bill Dooley with 15 members present. Our traditional opening agenda went as follows:

Steve Meyer led the song; **Mac Proffitt** led the Pledge and **Ron Brohammer** the Prayer.

Announcements: We were advised on the loss of the Levan Thurman's wife, Marguerite had passed away this morning. A sympathy card was passed around to be signed by those in attendance. Her visitation will be at the Methodist Church at 1:00 on Friday and Funeral immediately following at 2:00.

For future reference an motion was made by Ed Hughes, seconded by Brandi Claypole, that in the case of the death of a member the club donate \$50 in honor of that member. And the club would make a gift of flowers in the event of the death of a spouse.

We received a **Thank You** letter from the Mayo Clinic thanking our club for the donation of \$500. We were reminded that Mr. Gill had matched our gift of \$250 and we received credit for the entire amount of the donation.

Ron Brohammer requested that it would be a good idea for our group to write a letter of support for the building of the Assisted Living complex to be located on North Spartan Drive to the State of Missouri. Jerry volunteered to do that in the name of the Club. This facility will be a major economic impact on our community and we are fortunate to be selected by Clear Path organization. **More information to follow.**

Committee Report: Committee Chairman, Steve Meyer advised he had received \$1625 in Sponsor monies. We were advised also that Wal-Mart has donated 30 sleeves of golf balls and \$100 in sponsor money.

Sargeant at Arms, Bob Swafford assessed the following fines: **Missed Meetings:** FG Weary, Ron Brohammer and Jerry; **Took a trip:** Bill Dooley; **Last one in:** Don Kerin; **Badge Violation:** Jerry; **Anniversary:** Steve Meyer's 40th wedding anniversary,

Other fines: Don Kerin for winning the 50/50 pot and JoEllen Dale for being the first one in. Program Chair for August, **Patty Walker** introduced our guest speaker for today, **Julie Long. Julie chose to talk about the "Patriot Guard Riders".**



Julie made it clear their function was to "Stand for those who stood or U.S. She described the organization as a loosely knit group that was formed in 2005 in Kansas. They make a presence felt at funerals of veterans when invited in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. Their function is to serve as a "shield" between the family of the Veteran and the "trouble makers" that harass the process of the Vet's funeral. They will be there on their "Bikes" if invited. Julie's nickname is Rose. They have had as many as 500 bikers and as few as 2. There are 258,000 members in the Patriot Guard Riders. Pictured to the right is:

Julie in her "Leather".

