



JUNE 11, 2024

President Al Lazar called the meeting to order & led in the Pledge of Allegiance
God Bless America – Rod Booker

Kevin Haley- Invocation

Mark Barnhart – Attendance was 33 members and 3 guests

Happy Bucks – Bill Pfeifer

The Club is looking for someone to takeover the administration of the Facebook page. If interested, please contact Mark Barnhart.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER- Marcus Smail from the Smail Auto Group along with Rebecca Robbins Smail Auto Group has been in business for 85 years. Marcus stated what the automotive industry compared after the Pandemic. The average price of purchasing a car in June 2020 to August 2023 went up \$10,000 with the payment being \$200 more and the interest rate increase of 2%. The Micro-Chip Shortage take place. Everybody thinks that each car only needs 1 chip, but in actuality each car takes 1,000 to 3,000 chips to keep them on the road. The average age of cars on the road now is 12 years old. People are holding on to there vehicles longer & maintaining them.

Marcus then spoke about the pros & cons of owning an EV. Pros include: Decrease in Pollution, Less spending on fuel, Lower maintenance, & the Performance. Cons include: Range Anxiety, Weather, Towing, & Battery Charging Stations. 92% of EV owners also have a gas-powered vehicle for longer traveling. 63% of EV owners buy another EV on their next purchase. The minerals needed to produce the EV Batteries are copper, lithium, cobalt, & nickel.

Thanks, Marcus for a very informative presentation. Thanks, also to Rod Booker for inviting Marcus & Rebecca.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS:

June 12- Rotary Social event 5:00 Yellow Bridge Brewing- 33 E Pittsburgh St, Greensburg

June 18- Spelling Bee Champion, Amanda Wang, along with her Parents & Kelly Watkins, Aquinas Principal, will be attending the regular weekly meeting.

June 27-30 District 7305 Conference-Seven Springs Resort

July 23 - Pirates play the St. Louis Cardinals - District Event - Strike Out Polio

August 13 Greensburg Rotary Picnic- Greensburg Country Club

August 17- Rotary Family Fun Day- Kennywood Park

September 13- Greensburg Rotary Golf Outing