JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND CLUB ANNIVERSARIES were read last week by Acting Secretary Mark Burger. They included 47 years of service by Doug Kollar.

OUR CONDOLENCES go out to Ralph Cupelli who recently lost his wife, Suzanne and to President Randy Smith whose father passed away yesterday.

ROTARY MINUTE: Roy Noe is our President Elect Nominee for 2020-2021. Dale Schenewerk added another Rotary Minute that Randall Davis of Davis and Davis, a business preceding Davis-Playle-Hudson-Rimer Funeral Home, was District Governor during our club’s 50th Anniversary year. (Information from PRIP Ray Klinginsmith.)

DAVIS-PLAYLE-HUDSON-RIMER FUNERAL HOME RECEIVES 2019 RUBY GREEN-FRANK BALDWIN FREE ENTERPRISE AWARD

Dale Schenewerk introduced Ray Klinginsmith who provided the history of this award first presented 25 years ago in 1994, along with background and stories about its namesakes, Ruby Green and Frank Baldwin. Dale then introduced Chuck Boughton who spoke about small businesses which number 30.2 million in this country. Small businesses (businesses with 500 or fewer employees) created 1.9 million jobs in 2015. There are only 19,000 businesses in this country that are not small businesses. Nearly all exporters are small businesses. Sixty percent of net new jobs are in small businesses; almost 30% of small businesses are family owned; 14% are owned by immigrants. The one-year survival rate for new small businesses is almost 80%, half survive 5 years or longer, and a third survive over 10 years. Dale Schenewerk is pictured above presenting the award to Vern and Mary Playle. Vern made acceptance remarks including thanking us for this recognition. Pictured from left below are speakers Ray Klinginsmith and Chuck Boughton, along with Playle family members (from left) Gabby, Zackary (grandson), Mary, Vern, Kevin (son) and Tanya Playle.

50-50 Drawing: Matt Eichor did not pull the ace of spades; pot now up to $1,023.

Membership Update: We have 78 members.

Guests:
Elkie Gaber (1000 Hills club); Sandra Williams & Shirley Baldwin (1000 Hills, g/o club); Patrick Nolan (North Star, g/o club); Audra J. Harris (g/o club); Austin (KTVO) & Jason Hunsicker (KVDaily); River Hubbard (g/o Debi Boughton); Playle Family (g/o club); Chuck Boughton (speaker/guest of club).

Make Up Meetings at 1000 Hills club - NE Regional Medical Center cafe (Thursdays at 7 a.m.) or North Star club - Wooden Nickel (Tuesdays at 5:15 p.m.)

Upcoming Programs:
June 19: President’s Year End Thank You and Karen Eppler/District Global Grant
June 25: Joint Installation/Rotary Park/5:30 p.m.
June 26: Service Recognition Lunch
July 3: Rodney Sadler/Parks & Rec. Update
July 10: Debi Boughton, 2019-20 Club President