 … on Wednesday, February 21, 2018, **President Mark** opened the meeting at 6:45 p.m. **President-Elect Chris** led us in the Pledge. **Caitlin** presented a very meaningful and thankful inspiration. **President Mark**, being on top of things, then jumped right in and introduced our very efficient Secretary, **Randy Stutz,** who introduced guest speaker, and other guests.

**President’s Announcements:**

* **President Mark** welcomed everyone to dinner and introduced **President-Elect Chris** who began our program by leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
* **President Mark** reminded our guests to review the flyers on the tables which highlight our upcoming fundraisers and the great number of projects our club supports.

**Other Announcements:**

* **President Mark** recognized **Roger** who provided all the facilities setup and food. Well done, **Roger.**
* **Brian Hall** gave us a short review of all the projects we do which can be found on our web site.

Our program this evening was a very informative and inspiring presentation by **Alvin Law. Alvin is a motivational speaker with no arms. He inspired us to do more with what we have.** He highlighted the fact that we need to replace the word “sympathy” with the word “empathy”. Also, “there is no such thing as a handicapped person.” Being handicapped is a “mindset”. Alvin left us with a thought: Go Home and Count your Blessings!”

**Randy**, our Sgt. at Arms this week, made some sizable extractions from the few, but very energetic, Rotarians, as well as some of our guests, who attended the meeting. Don’t forget, you can makeup missed meetings at any of the Rotary Clubs in our area. Get the app, **Rotary *Club Locator***, for your smart phone. You will find clubs you can attend located all over the world.

If you wish to get more information about past Rotarians and their history, they can be found on the front page of the Bemis award winning, Frameable, Ineluctable, ***EarlyWord*** newsletter which was profusely available on all of the tables in its elegant 11x17" format. It can also be found on the 7:10 web site at: [www.westminster710rotary.org/newsletter.cfm](http://www.westminster710rotary.org/newsletter.cfm).

**Joe T.** had a Thought for the Day. Yes, it will be a cold winter because the Indians are collecting so much firewood.

We closed the meeting right on time with a rousing rending of The Four Way Test.

 Yours in Rotary Service, Loren