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### **June 2, 2025 meeting**

Attendees: Harry Redford, Tony Homolka, Ralph Luft, Tim and Toni Kolb, Doug Petee, John Gose, Ed Weaver, Paul Burgard, Henry Hinojosa, Bill Conner, C.J. Swartz, Dave Harvey, Tom Cooper and Bill Schoenlein

Our 50/50 raffle was won today by Tom Cooper.

Our Treasury has grown to \$119.00.

Tony shared the thank-you letter we received from the family of Brian Cameron. He also reported that his granddaughter, Lauren Gawne and the grandson of John Pauli, Zachary Pauli, were recipients of \$1000.00 scholarships through the Forerunners. The scholarships will be awarded at the Forerunners Annual Reunion Luncheon.

We welcomed a brand new retiree today, Paul Burgard, who is the nephew of C.J. Swartz. Congratulations, Paul!

I am attaching the July Forerunners news about the luncheon in case you did not receive it. This is always a very fun event that includes dinner, prizes and entertainment. We hope to see you there.

**Forerunners Annual Reunion Luncheon Wednesday, September 10th at Win Schuler's in Marshall Location: 115 S. Eagle Street, Marshall in the Heritage Room  
Registration begins at: 11:00am. Lunch Buffet will begin at: 12:00pm Cost: \$35.00 a person Cost Includes: BBQ buffet with pulled pork, pulled chicken, pub chips, coleslaw, garden salad, non-alcoholic beverages and dessert.**

**Consider making a difference for a Michigan area Veterans group, by donating adult hats and gloves. You can drop off your donations at the registration table. Thank you in advance!**

**We're thrilled to have you join us from all across the great state of Michigan for a fun-filled afternoon of camaraderie, celebration, and country charm! Today's gathering is all about enjoying the company of fellow retirees in a relaxed, casual setting. Our "Country" theme sets the tone, complete with a little country music to keep spirits high. We'll kick things off with a brief annual meeting, followed by the proud presentation of eight \$1,000 scholarships to deserving high school seniors. Then, we'll wrap up the day with a few lively games of bingo and some exciting prizes. Don't forget to wear your best country attire—there's a prize for the most spirited outfit! So dust off those boots, tip your hat, and get ready for a memorable afternoon with friends old and new. Deadline for registrations is August 20th**

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**We have exciting news to share! The Forerunners are launching a pilot Chapter Grant Program designed to support and empower individual Chapters like yours. \$2,000 has been allocated from our organizational funds to establish this program. To learn more about the program and download forms, visit the Retiree website or You can also contact Grant Committee Members. Kathy Gabriel at 517-206-1491 – Joann Davis 517-740-0293 – Tom Bollman 810-444-9054 – Joe Eckert 517-462-8803 – Mia Keefer 517-230-6110**

Our next meeting will be Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at the Monroe Grill.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Homolka

