

## Southeasterners CMS Energy Forerunners J.R. Whiting Plant, Erie, Michigan



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### **February 5, 2023 Meeting**

Attendees: Tony and Linda Homolka, Ralph Luft, Doug Petee, Tom Ciacelli, Dave Harvey, Brian Watters, Gherin Johnston, Tom St. Bernard, Jim Pearch, Tom Cooper, Tim and Toni Kolb, Henry Hinojosa, Dave Krawetzke and Harry Redford..

We had a great turn-out today and we all had a pleasant surprise when Harry showed up! He has lost some weight and strength but had that same good sense of humor. We also were happy to see Henry Hinojosa return after his open-heart surgery.



Our 50/50 winner today was Doug Petee. He graciously donated the winnings back to the treasury. Tony sold four CMS Energy Retiree auto plates for a total of \$20. Our treasury stands now at \$95.00.

Linda reported that she has been in contact with Heather Guilbault, CMS Energy benefits specialist. She has arranged for Angie Bodell, Sr. Employee Benefits Consultant to attend our monthly meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Angie is happy to answer any questions we may have regarding health and pension benefits. Mark **May 1, 2023** on your calendars and tell your friends about it.

Linda reminded us that she was able to set up an account with CMS Energy's matching gifts program with the Consumers Energy Foundation. Our donation of \$332 to Oaks of Righteousness was doubled and sent to them by the end of January! If you are interested in setting up an account, you may be able to double your charitable donation to a qualified 501 (c) (3) up to \$1000 per year. Someone (Doug Petee?) reported that Catholic Charities has stepped up to manage Oaks of Righteousness since they were in so much need of finances and staffing.

Our next meeting will be **Monday, March 6th at 9:00 AM** at the Monroe Bar and Grill.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Homolka