

ROTARY BULLETIN

September 29, 2011

“Reach Within To Embrace Humanity”

“Four Way Test – Is It The Truth? Is It Fair To All Concerned? Will It Bring Good Will And Better Friendships? Will It Be Beneficial To All Concerned?”

The VISION 2011 home is completed, and the Rotary Foundation Board asking price has been reduced to \$229,900. Trades people contributing to the house’s completion continue to suggest a value in excess of \$260,000. Please continue to promote the sale of the home in the community.

**Sgt. at Arms – Greg Ledesma
Greeter – Dave Wolbrink**

HUHS Pickup – 9/8 – Dale Anderson, 9/15 – Laurie Barz, 9/22 – Colleen Baus, 9/29 – Angela Bingen.

September Birthdays - 9/15 – Loni Jaeger, 9/30 – Peter Wilk.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ROTARY MEETING

September 22, 2011

OPENING: President Tom Doubleday called the meeting to order. Tom then led the club in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Sgt. at Arms, Greg Ledesma selected “America the Beautiful” as the song of the day for the second week in a row since we sang it so well last week.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Tom introduced Jordan Peschak and Vince Alvarez as our September students of the month.

EXCHANGE STUDENT REPORT: Laura did not get a chance to do many fun activities this past weekend. She was sick and had a large amount of homework. She did however; win both of her tennis matches last week. Congratulations Laura, keep up the great work in tennis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ron Schlitt e-mailed the scheduled Enchantment in the Park workdays and responsibilities for October and November. The first workday is October 2nd. Please look these dates over and sign up at our next meeting for the dates you can work. Ask your friends and relatives if they can also help. We will need a commitment of at least 30 hours per member to make this event a success. Having friends and relatives help on your behalf will help to meet the requested 30 hours per member. Since Ron will be on vacation starting on September 23-October 12th, please let Gretchen Vickney know when you can work. You can also contact her via e-mail. Thanks in advance for your help to make this project a success.

The District Conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd at Central Middle School in Hartford. Please plan to attend.

Fred has been busy lining up this year's programs. If you have any program ideas, please let Fred know. Our program speaker for next week is Dick Larkin. His topic is Text Marketing.

John Spielmann asked each Rotarian to pick up a card with contact information on this year's Vision Home. He is asking interested Rotarians to contact these businesses to promote the sale of this year's home.

Loretta Klassen passed out information about the "Creativity and Madness Program". She also brought two books to be raffled off at the end of the meeting.

PROGRAM: Tom summarized the key points of Wednesday's Executive Board meeting.

- **The financials were approved. The club has over \$36,000.00 of assets on the books. The checks for the Cash for Cash program (\$5000.00) and the West Side Park light project (\$1000.00) were sent out.**
- **Penny Jo was given permission to move forward with purchasing the banner to be displayed at West Side Park advertising our involvement in the light project.**
- **New interpretation of state law has put an end to this fall's Super Bowl Raffle sponsored by the Brookfield Rotary Club. Our club will need to find another fundraiser to meet this year's commitment to Polio Plus.**
- **Janean Handel and Loni Jaeger are looking for suggestions of a local project that we can support with some of the funds of this year's Wine Tasting Event. If you have any ideas, please contact Janean or Loni.**
- **Dave Groves told the club that the Cash dog training is going well. He said at this time they are a few thousand dollars short of their goal but he feels it will be reached soon.**
- **November 19th is the date for the Ballroom Dancing Fundraiser. Greg Ledesma will keep the club informed about the progress of the project.**
- **Ron Schlitt, Gretchen Vickney, and Betsy Wittenberger are the members of this year's nominating committee. They will start lining up next year's officer slate soon.**
- **At yesterday's Executive Board meeting, the club approved \$1500.00 toward the Haiti – Family Water Filters Project, \$1000.00 toward the Kenya – Well Drilling Enterprise and \$500.00 toward the India Economic Assistance Program. Dave Wolbrink submitted these requests to the Board. Tom read a detailed summary of each project to the membership at Thursday's noon meeting.**

The winner of this week's birthday drawings is Greg Ledesma. Gretchen Vickney and Ron Schlitt were the lucky winners of the books on "Creativity and Madness" donated by Loretta Klassen.

In the Ace of Hearts Raffle, Betsy Wittenberger had a chance to win \$244.50 but she drew the Jack of Spades instead.

Ed Heck reported that there were 10 Rotarians absent without prior makeup.

The Sgt. at Arms Greg Ledesma collected \$30.00 in Happy/Sad fines from the membership today.