

December 8, 2011

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Thursday's Meeting Summary

President John Artis opened the meeting with the singing of the National Anthem.

Rotarian Rick Enright led the Invocation which called upon joy of Christmas, spirit of Season for Christians and non-Christians, and remembering the military and the poor.

Greeter Roger Hosn introduced two guests: Bridgette MacDonald, niece of Rotarian Mary MacDonald, and Rotarian Karl Burg, from Denver, Colorado, brother-in-law of Rotarian John Fish. Karl then proceeded to win \$16.00 in this week's 50-50 drawing.

Rotarian Ray Trudeau was just back from Nicaragua and reported on Children of the Dump. Ray indicated that a lot of progress has been made in the Rotary Village and included dwellings and fresh water installation rather than using seepage from dump pile.

Money for these improvements is from sale of wallpaper bracelets that children are manufacturing. Children are able to manufacture 30 beads an hour. Ray and other Rotary volunteers assisted in manufacturing beads during one morning of their visit. Children were their frustrated instructors. Rotarian Ray indicated that it took him entire morning to manufacture 10 beads.

Rotarian Sue Surducun sent a box of Beanie Babies with Ray to Nicaragua. Ray said the kids loved the dolls.

See Ray if you would like to sell these bracelets. Rotarian Rick Enright sold a case at The Henry Ford Academy and is requesting a second case.

Rotarian Colette Richards reported on Dearborn Goodfellows paper drive that took place this past Friday and Saturday. She rec-

ognized the Rotarians that volunteered in the drive by having them stand. Colette said sales were light this year and they were short of their goal. She sold a few more papers at meeting.

Secretary Jack Mueller then auctioned off three Rotary Christmas ornaments to support the Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus. Rotarians Ray Trudeau, Roger Miller, and John McDonald all went home with Rotary ornaments.

President-Elect Hassen Ham-moud shared that Santa Snaps was closed for four nights due to flooding at Hines Park. Rotarian Bob Gleichauf shop-vac a large quantity of water from Santa Snap carpeting.

Hassen also shared that Santa Snap digital cameras and printers were stolen this past week and Rotarian Rick Enright and team were able to keep program operating with borrowed printers and cameras after theft was discovered. Dearborn Rotary has now invested in new digital cameras and printers.

President John Artis was the speaker and program today. He revisited the Dearborn Rotary Strategic Plan. The five-year plan was begun by Past-President Bob Ziolkowski. We are entering fourth year of the plan. Future President Jim Thorpe will need to update entire plan. President John indicated that we need minor revisions of strategic plan.

Each of the Strategies of the Plan was visited by President John. He indicated where attention was needed. Strategies include: Community Service, Basic Human Needs, Rotary

Foundation, Face of Rotary, Club Growth, Fundraising, and Leadership Plan.

One revision to plan was Club Growth. Original plan called for 120 members; this has been reduced to 85 members. Another possible revision is to examine and determine feasibility of a single annual event with goal of raising 80% of annual fundraising. Current goal is \$50,000.

President John indicated that future of Rotary is in our hands. Rotarian Lee Hollmann made the motion over next two years to complete the "Vision Facilitation" or strategic plan and Rotarian Ray Trudeau seconded motion.

Rotary meeting ended in our traditional manner with singing of God Bless America.

Respectfully submitted,
David Anderson

P.S. Rotarian Win Arneson was spotted at meeting wearing a sign around his neck proclaiming the dominance of other "Mitten State" in collegiate football.

Members in attendance 33
Guests 2



Future Meeting Duty Roster 12-15-11

Attendance
Jane Mueller

Greeter
Gretchen Moss

Guests and Visitors
Gretchen Moss

Invocation
John Fish

X-Ray Editor
Israa Safieddine

Future Meetings

*12-15-11
HFCC Holiday concert*

*12-22-11
Gift Exchange*

*12-29-11
No Meeting
Happy Holidays!!*

*1-05-12
Inspiration for 2012
Doug Campbell*

Foundation Giving—Every Rotarian Every Year

The Rotary Foundation asks all Rotarians to consider giving at least \$100 per year to support the programs of The Rotary Foundation. This is the equivalent of \$1.92 per week. Please send your contributions to Jack Mueller, and we will post all those who have reached the \$100 per year below.

Win Arneson, Joe Dickson, John and Mary Fish, , Morris Goodman, Omar and Maureen Guevara, Joe Hallissey, Robert Huston, Diane & Jim Ives, Don Karcher, Marjorie McCann in memory of PP Jim McCann, Aldo Martin, Jack and Jane Mueller, Frank Padzieski, Bob Putnam, Colette Richards, Merritt Robertson, Dave Sample, Darlene Schoolmaster, Israa Safieddine, John Snyder

Our Club has pledged \$7700.00 for the new Rotary year, and any contributions will be greatly appreciated.



Announcements

- Next meeting, 12-15-2011, is the Board of Directors election. Please contact Rotarian Bob Ziolkowski if you are interested in volunteering to run as Board member candidate.
- See Rotarian Roger Miller to volunteer to un-decorate the Santa Snaps display on Thursday, 1-5-2012, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
- The move of the Santa Snaps set from Hines Park to storage will start at 9:30 AM on Saturday, January 7, 2012, and might take about 2½ hours. See Roger to volunteer.
- Rotarian Jim Thorpe announced for Rotarian Darlene Schoolmaster that Rotary meeting on 12-22-2011 is a gift exchange. Please bring a fun gift if you would like to participate. As we saw last year, gifts can be exchanged multiple times – you might not get what you want.
- Ray Trudeau is looking for someone to take over phone calling cards for soldiers program because he is completely involved with Children of Dump project.

Miscellaneous

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Rotary's Polio Effort



When Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985, the “plus” signaled the belief that the polio eradication effort would increase immunizations against five other diseases prevalent in children: measles, tuberculosis, diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus. As time went on, the list of benefits grew.

Polio immunization campaigns created an avenue for other lifesaving health interventions, such as the distribution of vitamin A supplements. New equipment for transporting and storing vaccines made it easier to combat infectious diseases in developing areas.

The enormous network of laboratories and health clinics charged with identifying new cases of polio began to monitor the spread of other viruses as well. And the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, which Rotary helped create, rose to international prominence as a model for public-private partnerships to address world health issues.

The “plus” in PolioPlus means that Rotarians are doing more than stopping the spread of polio in the last four countries in which it is endemic; they also are building a legacy of infrastructure and partnerships that will support the fight against infectious disease long after polio is gone.

The cold chain

Transporting vaccines to developing areas is no easy task. From the time they leave the manufacturer until they reach recipients, vaccines must be kept between 2 and 8 degrees Celsius (though some may be frozen at -15 to -25 degrees). Variances of even a few degrees could spoil an entire shipment, leaving children without the protection they need.

The “cold chain” created to distribute polio vaccine has been used to transport other vaccines, such as measles, tetanus, and diphtheria. An estimated one-third of the cold chain capacity in sub-Saharan Africa was implemented to support polio eradication.

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