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Rotary Buzzer

• ROTARY CALENDAR

September 7
Sara Behn, BCHF
Harvest Festival, Amy
Pollard, Program Chair

Highway Litter Pick
Up—meet at Boone MS
by 5:15!

September 14
Chris Jacobsen,
Program Chair

September 21
DG Don Patterson's
Annual Club Visit

September 28
Sharon Dowd-Jasa,
Program Chair

October 5
Jerry Bertleson,
Program Chair

October 12
ISU Women's
Basketball Coach Bill
Fennelly
Dave Cook, Program
Chair

October 19
Tim Trudeau, Program
Chair

October 26
Steve Dakin, Program
Chair

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Pres. Cody Bowers

District Gov. Don
Patterson

RI Pres. Kalyan
Banerjee

Pres. Cody called the meeting to order and welcomed several guests including Bob Grathwohl and Ken Janssen of the Ames Noon Rotary Club and our RYE student, Juliette. Cody mentioned that he thought Dan was still looking for a few more volunteers to help out with Pufferbilly Days on Saturday Sept. 10. Mary Youngblood also passed around the club roster asking that anyone who had not already done so to please check their address and contact info to make sure it is accurate. Mary and Luke are hoping to get the update directory on the club website (available to members only) in the near future and they would like this information to be as accurate as possible.

DICTIONARY UPDATE

Several members hung around after the meeting to insert the Four Way Test

Sergeant Craig collected quite a nice haul of "happy dollars" on Wednesday. I will note that at the Kiwanis meeting I spoke at last week they tried to fill a piggy bank with "happy quarters"—but that little piggy got none! By comparison our group was downright giddy with joy! Dave was pleased with a "full class" of 12 for the FastTrac

MEETING RECAP

stickers into the dictionaries and Mary did request that liaisons to the various schools please get her the information regarding the number of dictionaries that will be needed along with dates that they will be presented by this Friday if possible. Susan, Mary, and (I think) Nan will be travelling to Howe School in Ogden next Wednesday morning for the first presentation.

STEAK FRY UPDATE

Everett has come up with a system for members to record their weekly (cash in hand) ticket sales so that we can keep a running total of how well we are doing. Based on the report of those present on Wednesday, 8=95 (adult) tickets were reportedly sold this week. Everett noted that in order to stay on track for getting

SERGEANT AT ARMS

business/entrepreneurship class he is helping teach at DMACC—and Mary Youngblood is happy to be a member of the class! Mary also had a fun getaway with some friends (including Ken Curell's wife) but she would not divulge what they said about him! Ken was happy to report that his brother, Jim, came in second in the Iowa Senior Am tournament last week which will give him

over 1000 sold we need to average about 165 a week—so we need to pick up the pace a bit!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY LITTER PICK UP NEXT WEDNESDAY!

Although temps in the upper 90's would seem to indicate it is still "summer", the fact is the days are starting to get noticeably "shorter"—so lest we risk running out of daylight, we need to get going with our semiannual highway litter pick up. Jeff suggested that we try for next Wednesday night (the 7th) and there was sufficient response that the decision was made to proceed. Please meeting the parking lot of the Boone Middle School between 5-5:15 and then we will proceed from there!

enough points to assure he will finish as Iowa's number one rated senior player! Brian was happy about the nice letters in the paper in support of the bond issue along with and the great column by Greg Eckstrom. Several members were happy that we finally received a little bit of much needed rain!



DISTRICT 6000 ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Thinking isn't agreeing or disagreeing. That's voting.

Robert Frost



Bob Herrick, who is on the District Rotary Youth Exchange committee, introduced Chris Knapp who has served as the District Committee Chair for the past 10 years. Chris is a member of the Iowa City A.M. Club and is with USBANK. Chris noted that the Boone Rotary Club has been a "50% participant" in RYE—by which he meant that we have been very good at hosting students (only about 20 of clubs in the district do) but that we have not been quite as good about identifying students from the Boone area to participate as outbound students. Chris reported that since its inception in 1964, our district has sent or hosted about 3000 RYE students. He indicated the RYE is part of the Rotary's "Fifth Avenue" of Service which is called the Avenue of New Generations. The emphasis is planting the seeds for the next generation of Rotarians, and the programs included are:

- Rotokids (up to Middle School)
- Interact (HS age)
- Rotoract (College aged)

- Rotary Youth Exchange
- Group Study Exchange
- RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award—or Academy)
- Ambassadorial Scholars

Chris reported that the "cost" to the club of hosting an inbound student for 9 months is usually less than \$2000 but the cost to send a student out is \$0! Because of increased restrictions on the ages of students that the U.S. State Dept. will grant visas to, other countries have responded in kind by restricting the ages of U.S. students that will be accepted as well. As a result, most students go abroad during what would typically be their junior year. Several members noted that pushing the age limit down would seem to be an attempt to "throw a wet blanket" on exchange programs—even though the State Department says that person to person contact is far and away the most effective way of fostering goodwill and better understanding.

HAVE A GREAT LABOR DAY WEEKEND!

Looking ahead, District Gov. Don Patterson will be in Boone on September 21—mark your calendars!
