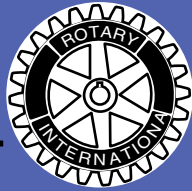


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WISHES OF Peace & Love JOY

PROGRAMS

November 3: Speaker and Topic: Sheri Storm Author of *Motherhood is the New MBA: Using Your Parenting Skills to be a Better Boss*.

Program highlights: As a 20+ year veteran of people management and a new mother, Sheri Storm discovered how parenting can make one a better boss. Main points: CEO's need to slow down when introducing new concepts, remembering that change is difficult and that there is usually resistance to it. The Boss sees the big picture while those who are under his tutelage, like children, need to be brought along. It is also important that when an employee makes an office visit, like a child, the boss needs to act as if he is glad to see him and that a cheery greeting and full attention get more done than disinterest or dour looks. Also facial cues have an effect on how people respond. Developing a gentle exit strategy is also important in getting work done if a chatty employee (child) is needlessly taking up work time. Sheri said her book is composed of interviews of mothers and company leaders to create her thesis and its expansion.

November 10: Speaker and Topic: Wally Ziegler: Team Focus

Program highlights: Team Focus was founded in 2000. It focuses on fatherless boys, ages 10-18. It is now in 16 cities and has over 2,000 boys involved in the organization's activities. The purpose, according to Mr. Zeigler, is to establish support for the boys and



their mothers. The speaker gave three examples of success stories of local boys and how they have grown into leadership. ~ At this time, there are 87 boys from Sandusky and Perkins in the program; 65% of the kids in the program are African-American. And all 100% deserve a chance to make a success of their lives; therefore, there is a constant need for men to step forward and volunteer to be father figures to help give them direction, purpose, and hope. ~ Kids get into the program through school counselors. Team Focus leaders, like Wally Ziegler, then give public information programs, and interested kids and their parent or guardian must fill out an application. Good grades are part of the expectation of being in Team Focus. ~ The speaker said that there are three ways Rotarians and others can help: (1) Volunteer to be a stand-in father; (2) be a speaker at one of their meetings and simply tell the boys how he became successful, using a personal story of his life; (3) donate money to supplement GMAC and federal governmental grants. Further information is available on www.teamfocusonline.org.

November 17: Speaker and Topic: Donna Green: The OSU Extension Office

Program highlights: Ms. Green discussed the history of the Land Grant college and the gradual expansion of the idea of public education. From the time of President Lincoln, the desire was to offer higher education to the common man. Each state had a land grant college with focused on agriculture. Ohio State University began as an agriculture and engineering school. The concept expanded to offer in each county within a State a land



grant college or university extension office to educate the population in the areas of agriculture and horticulture.

Donna Green informed the Rotary that the OSU extension offices have several missions: to be a resource for agricultural and horticultural problems; to sponsor and promote 4-H clubs; to organize and promote in area high schools a one semester course in financial education; and offer family consumer science, teaching nutritional and financial education. It also refers people to www.OhioBenefitBank.com which allows people to predetermine if they qualify for food stamps and other aid. To end the program, Ms. Green gave the sobering statistic that 1 out of every 2 people in the United States will die from heart-related diseases. Hence the need to educate about proper diet.

November 24: Speaker and Topic: Kurri Lewis: Sandusky Merry-Go-Round Museum



Program highlights: Kurri Lewis presented a slide show of the Merry-Go-Round Museum's restoration process, following the rebuilding and refinishing of horses. Sometimes, he explained, when an animal is brought in for restoration, there is undetectable dry-rot and when the paint is removed down to the wood, the figure is unsalvageable. The early carousel horses had real horse

hair tails but decades ago hair tails were replaced by wooden ones to keep horses from being killed for their tails. Lewis commented that some rare carousel animals, such as tigers and giraffes, can be worth up to \$300,000. Those with aluminum legs are the cheaper ones, but the legs can be removed and replaced with Basswood limbs to enhance their value. ~ The Sandusky Merry-Go-Round Museum is one of only three in the world, ours being ranked one of the best. And every New Years the museum has an auction/raffle for a horse built just for this fund raising purpose. They are one dollar each. Visitors from around the globe come to visit and participate. The museum can be contacted for further information. The museum rents artist studio space on the top floor, which also brings in a little income.

VISITING ROTARIANS

November 3 - Sheri Storm - Emerald City Seattle

VISITORS

November 3 - Troy Murphy, guest of Jena Viock and potential member; Jackie Hamilton, guest of husband Mark Hamilton

November 10 - Josh Battiste, potential Rotary Exchange Student

STUDENT GUESTS

November 3 - Faith Johnson, Colleen Machovina, Jennifer

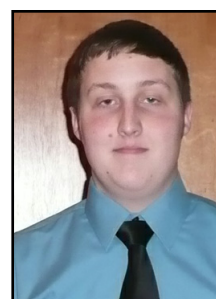
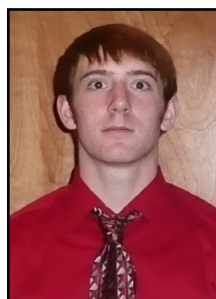
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November 17 - Abby Cook, Devon Grendow

November 24 - Dylan Corwin, James Moriarty, Nathan Reineck



Abby and Devon



Dylan Corwin
and
Nathan
Reineck

BIRTHDAYS

Mike Wilde - **December 16**

Linda Armstrong - **December 19**

Heather Demos - **December 27**

ANNIVERSARIES

Karen Dale - **December 04**

Al Sima - **December 15**

John Halter - **December 17**

Financial Report YTD as of October 31 2009

Total Income.....\$23,726.49

Total Expenses.....\$12,730.70

Net Income.....\$10,995.79

"HOW PROUD"

- Rev Roger has been chosen to be on the selection committee for Rotary's 6th District Governor.
- Girls Night Out raised more than \$31,000 for their cause.
- Fred Fox announced his pride in the Huron High School girl's volleyball team, which just took first place in the State.
- Bob Speers had three items to announce: 1. He participated in a recent ALS walk which brought in 1.8 million dollars for charity; (2) his five year old grandson won an award, and (3) Bob was just given the Sandusky Sailing Club Service Award for 2009.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Holiday Social on Tuesday, December 15 at 6 pm at the Rivers Edge Club House - no noon meeting
- No meeting on Tuesday, December 29