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CLUB NEWS - KEEPING THE WHEELS MOVING IN HURON

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ROTARY FESTIVAL



— PROGRAMS —

August 3: Speaker and Topic: Martin Lesnak: Induction of new members Tina Murray and Jane Windisch.

Other: Welcome back to Dave Dreyer after a long medical absence.

How Prouds: •David Clark is celebrating his 42nd wedding anniversary. •Mark announced that Christine has agreed to be our new VP. •Doug — thanks to all Rotary volun-



New members: Left: Jane Windisch and Tina Murray on the right.

teers who helped out last Friday. We grossed \$1475 and will probably net \$1,100.

August 10: Speaker and Topic: District Gov. Dave Dayne: Rotary Club programs

Program highlights: Dennis Crim formally introduced District Gov Dave Dayne, a retired lieutenant in the Galion police Department and a member of the Galion Rotary Club. Putting on his cowboy hat, Dave talked about having fun in the Rotary. He made the point that Rotary International allows the individual clubs to create their



District Governor Dave Dayne

own local projects for fundraising but that they are expected to participate and contribute the larger Rotary goal of eradicating polio from the face of the Earth.

The polio project started with Rotary focusing on the 6 million people in the Philippines. In 1986, the RI moved to its world-wide goal. Nigeria is a success case. Before the immunization program began, there were between 300 and 500 cases of polio each year. With a change in government philosophy and understanding of the cause of the disease, so far in 2010 there have only been two reported cases. India has also allowed the Rotary immunization program as has the Taliban in various parts of the Middle East. Considering the vast philosophical differences between ancient Eastern and more modern Western practices and understanding of medicine, natural healing versus chemical healing, this is a huge leap forward.

Dave also stressed the theme of Rotary "building communities and bridging continents." Aligned with this idea are the two programs of exchange students and group study exchanges, both including foreign travel and learning. This coming year, the group study exchange, composed of young non-Rotarian professionals, will be traveling to South Korea. The district is looking for a Rotarian team leader to accompany the study group. Rotary will pay the expenses of the chosen Rotarian.

Dave ended his presentation with an invitation for our club members to attend the next district meeting April 29-May 1, 2011, at Fort Rapids Water Resort in Columbus, OH, and the international convention to be held in New Orleans, May 22-25, 2011.

How Prouds: • Roger Markin's grandson just got married. • Bob Speers congratulated the Erie County Alumni Band for their recent performance, mentioning that two members of our club participated; • Rev. Roger's son has just had his 31st birthday.

Announcements: Christine asked the club to consider putting together a Rotary golf team to represent us at the Sept. 15th Don Billman golf outing.

August 17: Speaker and Topic: John Ruf, Huron High School Principal, on Big Changes in Secondary Education

In his 11th year at HHS, John has served as principal for 9 years and prior to HHS, was a teacher for 10 years in the Berlin Milan Schools. John highlighted the options now open to students" Post Secondary Enrollment, Senior to Sophomore, University College Articulation Program with University of Findlay, Dual Enrollment, EHOVE, Credit Flexibility and pilot program on Online Lincoln Interactive Courses.



Technology has had a radical impact on education and the options available to students.

John and Superintendent Fred Fox fielded a wide range of questions ranging from the use of iPads in the classroom to the impact of open enrollment.

New member Jacob Kinsley of First Merit Bank was inducted. He is sponsored by Christine Crawford. Welcome Jacob!

Announcements: • Long time Rotarian John Halter has resigned due to health reasons. • Rotary Youth Exchange Student Josh Batiste departed over the weekend for his year in Finland.

How Prouds: • Martin thanked the Club for their hard work and efforts to make the Rotary Festival a success. • Lowell commended the Club for their fraternization, fun and good times over the weekend. • Joe D. and his lovely wife Deb are celebrating their 38th anniversary.

August 24: Speaker and Topic: Mark Fogg, Program Dir. of

WLEC

Program highlights: Mark Fogg's presentation focused on the shifting identities the radio station has had since its inception in 1949. As different corporate owners bought and sold the station's affiliation, programming went from music to sports and back again.



The musical formats changed historically from stacks of LP's to 8-tracks to CD's to computer stored programmed material. Because of technical advances and shrinking ad money, the station is now live only from 6 to 10 a.m.; after 10 am, there is no one in the station manning the phones. However, because of local coverage, especially of high school sports, and Indians and Browns games, the station has held on to a relatively strong rating.

Mark mentioned that one of the challenges for AM radio is the lack of stereo fidelity and that many younger people, such as kids in high school and below, are hardly aware that AM radio exists. WLEC's current target audience is 50 and older.

Other: Mark announced that school is starting shortly and the Rotary Club needs someone to help Ben Lindsley with the Halloween event, which will need a new chairperson to take over. Mark also asked if we should get involved with a new STRIVE program, but there was little response from the floor.

How Proud: Rev. Roger said he was proud of his wife who recently took a fall and broke several bones in her left hand. She has had surgery, is mending well, and hopefully it will not affect her violin playing.

August 31: Speaker and topic: Stan Levine of AARP on the changes to healthcare

Stan provided an overview of the issues facing seniors and healthcare. He then detailed the changes coming with the new health care law that will impact the "donut hole, pre-existing conditions, supplemental insurance, HMO/Advantage Plans and tax benefits for small businesses. Changes will be implemented over the next several years.



There was a lively question and answer session.

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A heartfelt letter from Wayne Schafer's son Gerry was shared. Gerry thanked Club members for their expressions of sympathy and attendance at Wayne's funeral. He stated that Wayne had a "passion and dedication to Rotary" routinely describing the weekly meeting as a "good meal, good conversations".

Visiting Rotarians

August 3 - PDG Col. John Weeks - Sandusky; Ron Sommer - Avon Lake; Don Klein - Bellevue

August 10 - District Governor Dave Dayne - Galion; Assistant Governor Dennis Crim - Galion; PDG Col. John Weeks - Sandusky; Dave Kramer - Mansfield

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August 24 - PDG Col. John Weeks - Sandusky; Dave Kramer - Mansfield; Bill Skidmore

August 31 - PDG Col. John Weeks - Sandusky; Dave Kramer - Mansfield

Visitors

August 3 - Adriana and Sammy Giaco, daughters of Dave

August 17 - Tim Furlan - grandson of Roger M.

