



# ATTICA- WILLIAMSPORT ROTARY CLUB Newsletter



Service Above Self

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## Programs of Local and Personal Interest Each Meeting

Representative Dale Grubb shared his impressions and pictures of his recent trip to visit the troops in Bosnia during our meeting October 20. He met with former senator Dan Coats who is now the ambassador in Germany. They also visited the hospital in Germany where the injured from Iraq and Afghanistan are treated. Dale's enthusiasm for the mission was felt in his presentation. He related that it was the trip of his life and that the work our troops have done there is a fabulous success story. There are 800-900 Hoosier Guard in Eagle Base in Bosnia. The country is still rigidly divided after the civil war in 1992-95 when 250,000 were killed, one million without homes and

jobs. The multi national troops are keeping the peace there and trying to provide assistance to the communities. The three distinct group of Croatians, Serbians, and Muslims have had hostilities for many, many years. WWI actually started in the area. Each of the groups has committed atrocities against the others. Throughout the countryside there are UXO signs designating unexploded ordnances. Dale feels that in time with NATO maintaining the peace there will come to be understanding but that it will not happen without troops overseeing the area.

October 13 the women of Tri Kappa shared much about their group. Presenting were Kathy Poston, Mindi Hunter, and Heidi Smart. Tri Kappa is an Indiana organization which began in 1901 by 7 women in college. It's purpose is to promote scholarship, charity, and culture with Attica having a chapter for 75 years. They have a goal to raise \$5000 for a significant scholarship with a primary fund raiser of a calendar featuring club members, thanks to Doug Cripe.

**November is Rotary Foundation Month. The Programs of the Rotary Foundation include Polio Plus, Humanitarian Programs, and Educational Programs. It supports the efforts of Rotarians to achieve world understanding and peace. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions.**

## Briefs

- \$55 were donated to the treasury for "Happy Bucks" in October.
- The Hollanders will host their annual Christmas open house Saturday, December 18.
- Apples for teachers will be distributed Wed., Nov. 24.
- Happy Bucks were recently contributed for "mudslinging had ended, pictures of Carolyn's granddaughter, guys running through the sorority house naked, and reciting an election poem"
- Our average attendance in September was 75%.
- Chris Allmand will be welcomed into membership this Wednesday.

## Special Programs Continue

- ✳ **Doan Helms** will provide another Veterans' Day program for us November 10.
- ✳ "Quality Control in the Steel Industry" by **Dave Hollander** is the featured program **Nov. 17**.
- ✳ "**The Salvation Army**" will be our topic November 24 and will be presented by Terrill Allen.
- ✳ We will learn more about the **early history of Attica-Williamsport Rotary** December 1, thanks to Steve. (Incredible memorabilia)
- ✳ "**Wings of Mercy**" will be the special program by Jim Butler Dec. 8.

## District Conference — A Great Way to Celebrate Rotary with Our Australian Friends

Wed., Oct. 27, was a special day for our club. We had the privilege of hosting the GSE team from Australia. We all learned more about our community and Rotary with the presentations by Priscilla Davis, Steve Poston, Ginger Smith, and Herb Pigman. The Australians were very warm, genuine, fun individuals. Not only did we have a good day with them but also they were one of the highlights of the District Conference. Their presentations were interesting and engaging. Their was a genuine warmth among them and with others in our district. Bob and Martha Geyer, Judy and Dave Hollander, Bob Shepherd, Suzann Shackleton, and Judy Bush all shared highlights of the District Conference in French Lick Oct. 29-31 during our Nov. 3 meeting.

## Special points of interest:

The meetings are 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Harrison Hills.

Our Centennial Project is to work for the sustainability of A.S.K.

Directors meet at 6:00 a.m. the first Wednesday of the month.

The club will be providing A.S.K. with clothing and other needs for older children for Christmas.

Our average giving to the Rotary Foundation this year is \$73.33 per person

**Current Officers**  
 President **Judy Bush**  
 President-Elect **Bob Geyer**  
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 Treas. **Karen Milligan**  
 Sgt. **Judy Hollander**  
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**Directors**  
**Doug Cripe**  
**Mark Mason,**  
**Steve Poston**  
**Suzann Shackleton**  
**Bob Shepherd**

*The Four Way Test defines our behavior: Of the things we think, say or do*

- ✳ *Is it the truth?*
- ✳ *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- ✳ *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- ✳ *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*