



ATTICA - WILLIAMSPORT ROTARY CLUB Newsletter



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LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

During our meeting December 15 we had a continuous PowerPoint on The Rotary Foundation. We learned that the Ambassadorial Scholarship program was started in honor of Paul Harris upon his death. We also learned that the interest from gifts to the Foundation pay for the administration so that every \$ given to the foundation is used for charitable purposes. The Polio Plus program began in 1985. The Western Hemisphere was declared polio free in 1994; the Western Pacific Region in 2000, and the European region in 2002. The Paul Harris Fellow recognition was initiated in 1957.

Bob closed with a quote from founder Paul Harris made in 1912 which bears repeating.

What are we here for?

To learn a lesson.

What lesson?

Life's lesson.

Which one of life's lessons?

Life's only real lesson - that in which we learn how to separate ourselves from ourselves.

Thanks to Judy and Dave for our joyful Christmas Open House. Thanks also to Steve for his seasonal music, helping set the mood.

Future Programs

- * Christmas traditions and memories will be shared on December 29. Be there to share with others.
- * Our program January 5 is "Hopes Way Day Camp" by Elizabeth Shafer
- * **Sony Mascree** will share insights about his homeland. January 12. The title of his program is India, "Unity in Diversity" — sounds interesting.
- * Our 68th Charter Day Celebration will be January 19.
- * **R.A. DeSutter** will share with us "Clean Water for the People of Haiti" January 26.
- * February 2, Steve will share another interesting history program. This time it will be on the **History of the Poston Brick Plant.**

New officers for the 2005-06 year are Bob Geyer, president; Cindy Mason, president-elect; Priscilla Davis, president-nominee. Sandy White and Karen Milligan will continue on as secretary and treasurer.

We all appreciate Bob Shepherd filling in for Sandy — Thank you, Bob.

Joey Martin was our singing "Santa" December 22. He is a member of the Purdue Glee Club and plays Santa in the PMO Christmas show. He is a senior Ag. Major from Walton, Ind. He has superb voice and joyfully entertained the group.

Briefs

- The Centennial Planning Committee will meet after the meeting the 29th.
- **February 23** we will meet at the Beef House in the evening. We will be hosting other Rotary Clubs in the area on the 100th anniversary of Rotary.
- Don't forget to **stop by Doug's** to get your picture taken for the directory.
- Our Christmas gift to Rene totaled \$135.
- Great to welcome Rachel Miguel back with her whole family.
- Also, Allison Poston was our guest on December 22, as was Pat DeSutter and Angela Rusk.
- Our **giving to The Rotary Foundation totals \$3575** this year which ends June 2005.
- We have commitments of **over 70%** of the need to provide a **permanent structure for A.S.K.**
- **Angela Rusk's** Ambassadorial Scholarship will be in Melbourne, Australia. She and Suzann Shackleton attended an Orientation Seminar in Nashville, Tenn. recently.

Thanks to Kathy Turpin, Karen Milligan, and Martha Geyer for Christmas shopping for us. They bought 36 gifts in all. Some were coordinated tops and pants, some were coats, and other needs.

Special points of interest:

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

Harrison Hills will be closed in January. We will return to Robie's for our meetings.

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

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

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION February 23 at the Beef House.

Current Officers

President **Judy Bush**
 President-Elect **Bob Geyer**
 Secretary **Sandy White**
 Treas. **Karen Milligan**
 Sgt. **Judy Hollander**
 At Arms **H.J. Shackleton**
D i r e c t o r s
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?*