



ATTICA- WILLIAMSPORT ROTARY CLUB Newsletter



Service Above Self

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PROGRAMS PROVIDE INSIGHTS AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

What a surprise November 17. I came prepared with all the AV equipment to help Dave give his program on Quality Control in the Steel Industry. My husband, John joined us because he "thought the program sounded interesting". I was totally surprised when John stood up and began the presentation on the "steel industry"; he gave a PowerPoint presentation on himself and our life together — projects we have done and what is important to us. (Judy Bush)

Ms. Terrill Allen was our special guest on November 24. She is the Service Extension Liaison for

The **Salvation Army** who serves both Fountain and Warren Counties. Actually she serves a 25 county area in Indiana. She presented the history of the Salvation Army begun in London in 1865 by William Booth and spread to the U.S. in 1880.

Steve Poston's program December 1 was filled with interesting details focused on club history up to charter day, January 19, 1937. He had the actual letters written to initiate the club, newspaper accounts, the program from charter night with Paul Harris's signature along with others present. Incredible memorabilia!

Briefs

- We need just \$350 additional to average \$100 per member to The Rotary Foundation.
- Our annual **Christmas open house** is Saturday, Dec. 18, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Hollanders.
- We will also pass an envelope the next couple meetings for **Renee's Christmas gift**.
- The Club voted to accept John Bush as a member December 1.
- The club voted to give \$100 to the Attica High School Student Council to support their area Leadership Workshop.
- **Thanks to Dave Brown** and all who helped with the Apples for Teachers project.
- A special thanks to **Dennis Kovar** for decorating the Christmas tree in McDonald Park. It is a Rotary tree!
- Welcome back, **Sandy White**.
- **Bob Folk, Gary Davis, and John Bush** were guests Dec. 1.

Christmas Project so All May Share in Joy of Giving

The past few years Kathy Turpin, Karen Milligan, and Martha Geyer have handled our Christmas giving endeavor. Previously members would each buy a gift for a child as a Christmas present. The project has evolved to the three women buying gifts for adolescents or early adolescents. They wisely take advantage of sales and special bargains to get the greatest benefit for their dollar. The gifts are donated to A.S.K. to be distributed.

Remaining club members have participated in this project by contributing cash to supply the funds for purchases. The guideline has been to donate what one would have given for a gift. There will be an envelope the next couple meetings so individuals may donate.

Special Programs Continue

- ✳ Jim Butler will join us and share "**Wings of Mercy**" December 8.
- ✳ December 15 will be the **election of officers** and a Rotary program of interest presented by Bob Geyer.
- ✳ There will be a special program December 22 with "Santa Coming to Town".
- ✳ Christmas traditions and memories will be shared on December 29.
- ✳ Our 68th Charter Day Celebration will be January 19.
- ✳ **R.A. DeSutter** will share with us "Water Resource Needs in Haiti".

Internet Christmas Shopping to Benefit The Rotary Foundation

I received word from Ed Futa, Rotary General Secretary, of an opportunity to shop over the Internet with a portion going to The Rotary Foundation. The site to access the opportunity is <http://www.rotary.org/shopping/index.html>.

Check out www.rotarydistricto4400.org for a unique experience, the Rotary Ecuador Centennial Project Fair February 4th and 5th.

Every Rotarian Every Year

Little time is left to make a gift to The Rotary Foundation to qualify for year-end tax benefit. Bob Shepherd, foundation chair, will accept your gifts.

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.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION February 23 at the Beef House.

Our average giving to the Rotary Foundation this year is \$89.06 per person

Current Officers

President **Judy Bush**
President-Elect **Bob Geyer**
Secretary **Sandy White**
Treas. **Karen Milligan**
Sgt. **Judy Hollander**
At Arms **H.J. Shackleton**

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?*