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Vocational Service - a time to highlight Rotary's Contribution to the 2nd avenue of service.

Club Calendar & Speaker Assignments

Oct.	6 13 20 27	Leon Bruno - Dr. Ruth Young Joff Cowan - Micro Credit in Nogales, Mexico Walter Brink II - Classification Speech Vickie Walluck - Classification speech
Nov.	3 10 17 24	Karl Klein - Erik Brattstrom and Dotty Kyle Peter Laskowski Rosemarie White No Meeting (day before Thanksgiving)
Dec	1 8 ?	OPEN Restaurant Raffle Drawing Christmas Party at the Common Man

Editor's Note: Please inform Wini (496-6710) of the name of your speaker at least 2 weeks in advance. If you can't get a speaker for that date, please try to trade with another person on the list.

Birthdays: John Crump 10/8

Anniversaries: Al & Ellen Barillaro 10/9, Monk & Jane Bancroft 10/7

Meeting News

The colors were old and tired as viewed thru the drizzle this morning. In spite of the dreary weather we had a lively crowd of 46, including guests: Nils Hast (former exchange student from Sweden), Ruth Young and David Deutt (representing the organization, Everyone's Child), Anna & Benjamin White and John Daniell. Audrey had to bang the gavel twice, to overcome the roar of the conversation in order to get the meeting started.

Announcements

Doug Stoehr is in charge of the Dictionary Project this year and informed us that his committee will soon be visiting the local elementary schools and distributing dictionaries to the 3rd graders.

Restaurant Raffle

Ralph is back and gave us the good news that the certificates have been signed. He praised Judy for getting 5 - 6 restaurants to sign up. The list is going to the printer today and we have 2 WEEKS OFF before having to sell raffle tickets again.

Dave Ellison presented John Hale with a check for \$1,000 as a reward for drawing the joker from the deck last week.

Leo - Lottery winners confirmed - 9 special prizes from \$2 to \$30,000

Mini Bucks \$72. to the winner. We had a winner last week and now the pot is starting to rebuild. Gene is using a new deck. The compensation award remains at \$5.00. Judy drew the 2 of clubs.

Happy Bucks

Karl Klein - Inundated by tourists to view leaves. John Hale - Happy to see Nils after many years. Bob Holden- Still sits with John Hale after John won \$1,000 Dave Ruane - Grandchildren coming Joe Koch - Storm over Dave Ellison - Going to Baltimore for a month. Stan - Fall Weather Monk - made it thru another year with Jane Dave Koepele - did not speak loud enough Tom Byrne - going to visit dad in Florida Joe Klimek - Grapes did not freeze

John Basile - happy

John Daniell - car window stuck

Al Barillaro - 1) Cosco had nice article about Rotary 2) John DeJesus said

Hello to us (from Florida) 3) Sat. - 39th anniversary

Chris Kirchen - back from Egypt -nice place to visit, not to live

Ken Friedman - daughter coming to visit

Judy - Happy to receive \$5

Sissy - Bonnie trip to Scotland

Gary Plewak - visiting daughter in San Francisco

Dave Ellison - 3rd place in Duck Race

Editor's Note takers - Sissy and Karen Winchell

PROGRAM

Leon Bruno introduced Dr. Ruth Young who brought a 20 minute computer presentation (this one worked) created by the Everyone's Child organization, showing schools they had built in Africa with hundreds of students.

Their mission is 1) To educate where there are no schools 2) To connect where there is a solution 3)To care where there is great need.

Between 1998 and 2008 they built schools in Kenya. They will continue with primary and secondary schools as the need arises and their fundraising goals are met.

Feeding Orphans Program established in 2003 when many parents died during HIV/AIDS epidemic. Most orphans were under nourished and unable to learn.

Building orphanages in Kenya where many children lost families and homes

Digging wells - The availability of clean drinking water is one of the major challenges in Kenya. Many people are drinking dirty river water and getting sick. In 2007 funds were raised for a 300 foot deep well to be dug near the school in Lanet. They are dedicated to providing clean potable water wherever one of their schools is located.

The organization also provides basic health care. Dr. Young lives in Waitsfield, graduated from UVM and got her doctorate in Education. She is a missionary and humanitarian.

Everyone's Child is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of children in developing nations. People in the US have contributed to their ongoing efforts to sustain the needs of orphaned and underprivileged children in Kenya, Jamaica, Brazil and India.

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