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PROGRAM RECAP

Megan Brown-Saldana, Chief Development Officer for Humility Homes & Services



Megan started by sharing her mission is to end homelessness through fundraising. Humility Homes began in 1989 when nuns were outraged about homelessness and went to DC to bring attention to it. They came back to the Quad Cities and purchased the first single family unit that Humility Homes still uses today. They've grown since and now own 150 units in the QC Area.

They also operate the only low barrier shelter in the area. They save 8 beds for Veterans but of course could use more. There are 551 people that are going to sleep on the streets tonight. This is counted by Point in Time (PIT) counts, which is what we can count and see, the actual number is probably much larger. Last year Humility Homes served 1,300 individuals but there are gaps in service, mainly funding.

That's where organizations and individual can help. They are always looking for donations, advocates and sweat equity. 50% of the Quad Cities pays more than 30% of their income to their mortgage. That 30% is what the federal government says is affordable. Together we are facing an affordable housing crisis. The face of being homeless is just one bad thing or one bad day away. This is an economic problem, Davenport is the 44th highest eviction rate.

You can help by attending their Sip n' Shop on Dec 14th at St Marys. You can also purchase Walmart gift cards or donate towards that. They want to get gifts to 250 kids and also the adults they serve. Additionally they partner with TwoMen & a Truck who will pick up old furniture.

Ashley challenges us to donate old towels, blankets, clothes, pots, pans, shower curtains, coats, hats, tarps, blankets etc. Drop off times are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10am to 3pm. They also do PickUps 2x month. *Presentation recap submitted by Theresa White..*

UPCOMING PROGRAM



Trish Burnett Executive Director at American Red Cross of the QC and Northwest Illinois arranged by Drew Wilson

PIE AUCTION

- Peach Pie baked by **Linda Paustian**, purchased by **Chris Connolly** for \$250
- Apple, Blueberry, Raspberry pie baked by **Mindy Leahy**, purchased by **Jan Touney** for \$75
- Apple Pie baked by **Mindy Leahy**, **Merle Anderson** purchased for \$40, resold to **Tyler Bindrum** \$40
- Apple Crumb Pie baked by **Marcia Brandt**, purchased by **Tony Knobbe** for \$70
- Pumpkin Pie donated by **Theresa White**, purchased by **Bill Hoover** for \$50
- Apple Pie donated by **Theresa White**, purchased by Megan Brown (speaker) for \$35
- Baklava baked by **Ardita Grunwald**, purchased by **Katie White** for \$100
- Chocolate Chip Bundt Cake baked by **Deanna Jensen-Valliere** purchased by **Tracy Lindaman** for \$65
- Cody Rotary Bourbon Chocolate Pecan Pie, baked by **Deanna Jensen-Valliere**, purchased by **Mindy Leahy** for \$50

Calendar of Events



Friday, Nov. 8: Board Meeting at Steeplegate bar area 10:30 am
Friday, Nov. 8: Trish Burnett Executive Director at American Red Cross of the QC and Northwest Illinois arranged by Drew Wilson
Friday, Nov. 15: Quad City Symphony Maestro Mark Russell Smith and Executive Director Brian Baxter arranged by Chris Connolly
Friday, Nov. 15: District 6000 "Magic of Giving Gala" at World Food Prize Hall of Laureates, Des Moines.
Friday, Nov. 22: Friendly Friday at North Scott Junior High, arrive at 7:20 a.m. to welcome the students.
Friday, Nov. 22: Service Above Self Gala, at Rhythm City Casino doors open at 5:30pm.
Friday, Nov. 29 – No meeting, Holiday weekend
Friday, Dec. 6: program TBA.
Friday, Dec. 13: Board Meeting at Steeplegate bar area 10:30 am
Friday, Dec. 13: Mark Russell and Brian Baxter with Q.C. Symphony Orchestra. Arranged by Chris Connolly.
Friday, Dec. 20: Friendly Friday 7:20 am NSJH
Friday Dec. 20th: No meeting
Friday Dec. 27th: No meeting

CLUB SERVICE

GREETERS:

Nov. 8: Jody Johnston-Mohr & Diane Papke-Cole
Nov. 15: Fred Mulch & Marty O'Boyle
Dec. 6: Jack Schinckel and Dick Cole
Dec. 13: Ken Rohwedder and Marcia Brandt

INSPIRATION:

Nov 8: John Maxwell
Nov 15: Dick Cole
Dec. 6: Drew Wilson
Dec. 13: John Maxwell

SONG LEADERS:

Nov. 8: John Maxwell
Nov. 15: Sara Tomasson
Dec. 6: Jody Johnston-Mohr
Dec. 13: Jeff Ashcraft

PIANO:

Nov. 8: Tewanta Lopez
Nov. 15: Marguerite Holzworth
Dec. 6 – Teri Wittkowski
Dec. 13 – Tewanta Lopez

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Nov. 8: Nathan Kessler
Nov. 15: Sara Tomasson
Dec. 6: Ross Paustian
Dec. 13: Jim Smith

NEWSLETTER:

Nov. 8: Marcia Brandt
Nov. 15: Samantha Culver
Dec. 6: Drew Wilson
Dec. 13: Becky Bray



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THANK YOU NOTE

Dear North Scott Rotarians,
I want to thank all of you for the two beautiful cards, "Thoughts and Prayers" and "Caring Thoughts". I was overwhelmed with the amount of signatures (great meeting attendance...keep it up!), kind words of support and especially your prayers. There is no greater force on Earth than prayers and comfort knowing people really support you in difficult times. Both are the very fiber of our Rotary Club...have a blessed day...Peace!

-Pat DeLuca

LAST WEEK'S MEETING:

November 1st meeting attended by 56 members, 5 guests and one by Zoom. **Kelly Meyer** collected \$90 in fines.

MEETING RECAP

Reflection shared by **Deanna Jensen-Valliere**, with it being November 1st she shared thankful for dessert, home, rain, rotary family (just to name a few).

We sang "Happy Birthday" to our November birthdays.

Becky Bray passed around a card for **Linda Tubbs** to let her know we're thinking of her!

There is an Open House at Project Renewal 4-6 today, **Greg Schaapveld** shared that we are welcome to attend and see the project!

Greg Schaapveld also mentioned if you want to utilize Venmo the QR code is listed in the newsletter.

Patrick Olsen shared the Service Above Self Gala is in 3 weeks!! We've had 450 tickets sold! There are still 28 Rotarians left to sign up. We still need items, bring them next week please. Thank you for items brought already. We also need help on November 22 setting up for auction. If you're helping we'll order ahead for lunch at Draft Day so let Patrick know.

Scott Case shared " we have most thoughtful club". Mentioned Tasty Cafe and to keep Linda Tubbs came Keep in our prayers.

Business Personals

Brad Burt encouraged everyone to vote! Appreciates anyone who puts their name on the ballot.

Paul Holzworth shared that his ballot wasn't sealed, got notice of it, was thankful!

Tracy Lindaman mentioned **Linda Tubbs** coming to Auction. Yay!

Dick Cole has a Hide A Bed, trying to find a home for it. Later **Deanna Jensen-Valliere** mentioned one of our guests, Two Men and a Truck will transport the bed to Humility Homes, our speaker. Talk about the power of connection!

Sergeant **Kelly Meyer**: brought her a Remember Scott Case - Conductors Box.

Jan Tourney Steph Eckhardt and **Danielle Hines** have done Interact. Fined those who haven't volunteered.

Tyler Bindrum forgot to sit at the biday table Kelly mentioned **Greg Schaapveld** is a great Vanna White, not sure if he was fined for this or just praised... Kelly's Iowa State University Football team is undefeated (not anymore...) but if your team isnt undefeated please pay a \$.

If you have not donated an auction item, that'll be a dollar. And of course if you're leaving early, that's a dollar.

Notes submitted by Theresa White

Davenport Police Luncheon:

On Tuesday, October 29th, **Tracy and Matt Lindaman** sponsored the Davenport Police Department Lunch. Other volunteers were **Steve Powell, Jody Johnston-Mohr, Pat Olsen, Dick and Shirley Cole, Erica Schroeder-Cerda, Sean Eckhardt, Deanna Jensen-Valliere, Ardita Grunwald, and Jill Grunwald**. Smokin' Butts BBQ was the caterer. Our next Police Lunch date is TBD, but the sponsor will be LivWell Seniors (**Erica Schroeder-Cerda**). Look for a date soon!

Meet Irasubiza Angella:

Angella's Mom was once struck by lightning, but she survived. However, after that incident she was in and out of hospital due to a persistent headache. She had four children with her husband Mathias, a peasant.

One child passed away. When Angella was 10 months old, her Mom passed away. After the death of Angela's Mom, the husband, who survived by working in people's gardens for food, could not take care of three young children alone. If he stayed home with the children, that meant no food on the table. Dad and children would starve to death. He was helpless and sought help from relatives who felt pity for him. Relatives decided to take the two younger children and left him one older child, who is now about 13 years old.

One of those two children was a little girl named Angela. She was taken up by her paternal aunt who is just able to provide her with one meal a day and porridge for dinner. The Aunt was pretty sure that she would not manage to support her education.

Angella's Aunt was filled with joy to hear that Angela has Pete and Kim Clausen, from Clinton Rotary, to sponsor her so she can attend a good school. She could hardly believe it as she cried tears of joy.

bio submitted by Merle Andersen



Please reach out to Merle Andersen if you are interested in learning more about sponsoring a child at the Imbabazi Center for Women and Children.

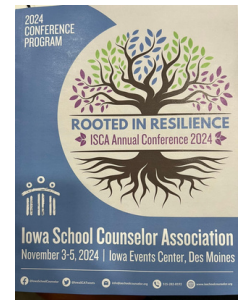
Service Above Self Gala to do list:

- Please donate an auction item, bring it to our Friday meeting ASAP
- Make sure you are signed up, or if you are not going indicate that, too.
- If you or your business are interested in sponsoring, reach out to Pat Olsen.



Shared from District 6000

Paul Kalianoff attended the Rooted in Resilience Iowa School Counselor Association representing our Rotary District 6000. He shared the magic of Rotary and service above self to our next generation of youth leadership. Way to go, Paul!



Interact Veteran Day Cards:

Stephanie Eckhardt and myself had the opportunity to "teach" the Interact Club last week. Our Interact club at the Jr. High is AMAZING. Stephanie and I showed up, passed out the snacks and simply introduced ourselves. After that we shared some facts about Veterans that Jan had given us and handed out supplies to make cards. And then the kids went to work. It was that easy. And to my pleasant surprise, there was an actual teacher there the whole time, just in case things went a little crazy.

During our 30 minutes together the group of about 12 kids made a little over 30 cards for Veterans!

I encourage all Rotarians that are able to volunteer for one Interact meeting to do so! Contact **Jan Touney** for more info or to get signed up!



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