

Rotary Club of Anchorage Gateway eBulletin Gateway

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Future Speakers

Feb 18 2011

Alex T.

"Black Hystory Month"

Feb 25 2011

No Regular Meeting

Feb 25 2011

Foundation Dinner

Mar 4 2011

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President Corner 0204

by Vittorio Montemezzani

Regular meeting 02/04/11

President's comments, notes and announcements.



RI Presidential Citation

Application for this award has to be completed by the end of March. Mitzi conducted the analysis of all the requirements necessary to qualify for the Citation. Thanks to all the present Members "brain storming", we were able to identify few activities which should bring the Citation qualifications to a full compliance. More will follow..

Rotary Cook Books.

Ron still has 1 book available for sale (\$20)

Foundation Meeting Dinner.

Is set for February 25th. So, there will be no day time Regular Meeting that Friday.

Speakers:

Thru the consent of everybody it was decided that specific Member(s) would volunteer on finding speakers on each particular month. So far we have the following schedule: Owen and Mary for the month of April, Ron for May, and Ken for June.

Thank you to our first volunteers. Of course we need to keep the list up and running into the future and for the month of March. I will try to find a Rotarian from the District willing to speak to our group on the RI Foundation. This could be sometime in March.

Members Happy Moments 0204

by Vittorio Montemezzani

MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HAPPY MOMENTS.

Jacquee gave a substantial happy dollars by listing several events occurring in town to celebrate February as "Black History" month. She is sponsoring and working on an annual "Spaghetti Fee" fund raiser and because I did not write down the date, I encourage everybody to

ask for details and buy tickets from her.

Victor was happy because Loredana was finally back, which means the grandbaby is back to full health.

NO FINE BUTTON for February's bid winner, Mary B., gave the news of the new option of printing online coupons from the famous ValPak booklet.

Ron illustrated a fun "Eating Contest" happening at the Northway Mall on Saturday, Feb 5th.

Jay is working on a fund raiser event (Spaghetti feed) in association with the Knights of Columbus at St. Patrick church.

BEST WISHES TO OUR MEMBERS:

Birthday & Anniversary Report

Date Range : February 11 to Sort By: Member Name | Date February 17

Birthdays

Member Name Birthday

No member(s) have birthdays within this range.

Anniversaries

Member Name Anniversary / Spouse Name

No member(s) have

anniversaries within this range.

Club Anniversaries

Member Name

Induction Date / Number of Years
(Effective the day of induction this year)

PARKER, LARRY February 12 2010 (1 years)

Rotary International Corner

by Vittorio Montemezzani

Historic Moments: The first four Rotarians

By Susan Hanf

Rotary International News - 10 February 2011

On 23 February 1905, Paul P. Harris, Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, and Hiram E. Shorey gathered in Loehr's office for what would become known as the first Rotary club meeting.

Harris's desire for camaraderie among business associates brought together these four men and eventually led to an international organization of service and fellowship.

Read about each of the first four Rotarians below, and about Harry L. Ruggles, who is often called the "fifth Rotarian."

Rotary's founder, Harris, was born in Wisconsin, USA, on 19 April 1868. He was raised by his paternal grandparents in Vermont and attended the University of Vermont, Princeton, and the University of Iowa. He was Rotary president from 1910 to 1912 and a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago until his death on 27 January 1947.

Loehr, a mining engineer, was born on 18 October 1864 in Carlinville, Illinois. He was a Rotarian for only a few years, never holding office at the club or international level. But that first Rotary meeting was held in his office, Room 711 of the UnityBuilding in downtown Chicago. He died in Chicago on 23 May 1918.

A Rotarian for only a few years, Shorey served as recording secretary during the club's first year. He was born in Maine in August 1862 and died in March 1944.

Schiele, a coal dealer, served as the Chicago club's first president in 1905 and Rotary International's third treasurer in 1945. Born in Terre Haute, Indiana, in 1870, Schiele attended Terre HauteBusinessCollege and served in the U.S. Army during the Spanish-American War. He was president of the Schiele Coal Company from 1902 until his retirement in 1939. He and Harris became lifelong friends and lived near each other on the South Side of Chicago. Schiele died on 17 December 1945 and is buried near Harris at MountHopeCemetery.

Originally from Michigan, Ruggles was a graduate of NorthwesternUniversity in Evanston, Illinois, and joined Rotary at its second meeting. He was treasurer of the Chicago club during its first year, president from 1908 to 1910, and a Rotary director from 1912 to 1913. He is known for having introduced singing to Rotary club meetings. His printing company, H.L. Ruggles & Co., printed the first issue of *The National Rotarian* and the first Rotary songbook. He died on 26 October 1959, an honorary member of seven clubs in addition to his home club, the Rotary Club of Chicago.