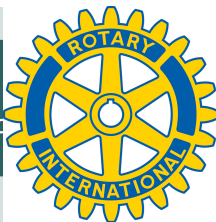


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Must We Be Bitter?, Ed



The Rotary Banner

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PROGRAM

TODAY

Wendell Ross,

NEXT WEEK

Rose Sebastian

BIRTHDAYS

1-16: Rick Hooks
Charlie Kunz

East Alton Rotary Club

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Economic Trends 2010 vs 2011

Brad's guest last week was David Craig, a member of the Service Corps of Retired Executives (S.C.O.R.E.). The mission of SCORE is to offer tutoring and mentoring to small business owners in order to help them to succeed, especially in the start-up years. They are committed to the idea that small businesses are the engines that run our economy and have the goal of helping one million new businesses start in seven years.

David said that 10,000 businesses start each day and 40% fail because they are either undercapitalized, have bad timing, or make preventable mistakes. The 12,500 SCORE volunteers offer workshops and counseling to help to prevent these mistakes. They are always looking for new presenters and are happy to help small businesses to create marketing plans and business plans. For more information, see their website at SCORE.org.

News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings

Twenty-four members and guests were with us for our first meeting at Julia's. No count on how many are still waiting for us to show up at Keesler. Julia had a nice lunch of roast beef and mac & cheese for us. Our guests were Dick Bell of the Wood River Club and Josh Wohltman of Regions, WR.

The new location offered memory challenges for Rhonda and Cory, but Brad and Paul seemed to have an easier time getting to Julia's. Nevertheless, our president duly "chris-ened" the room at noon and Larry offered the first official prayer in our new location.

Our new location offered the new challenges of what to do with our coats and how to warm up at a fireplace that has fire but no heat. The room was filled with vibrant conversation, at least

until nominations were sought for president-elect and treasurer. Cory was convinced to remain treasurer for life, since it means he will not have to be president. Everyone else better plan to be present or face the consequences.

Charlie invited everyone to Zion's Sausage Supper on the 29th and Rhonda invited everyone over for breakfast on Jan. 15—at Applebee's that is—to benefit Roxana's afterprom. Tickets for either event are available for a minor exchange of \$\$\$.

Pres-elect Dave spent a few moments talking about the upcoming Lawn and Garden Show.

50/50 us down to \$17., so Red and Roger decided to let the pot grow.



MAKE UP SITES

MONDAY

NOON

- Wood River—St. John UCC, WR
- Jerseyville—Peace United Church
- 6 PM**
- Alton—Godfrey—Alton Sports Tap

TUESDAY

NOON

- Collinsville—Holiday Inn
- Granite City—Niedringhaus Methodist
- Highland—Michael's Restaurant

WEDNESDAY

7 AM

- Bethalto—Red Apple
- NOON**
- Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

THURSDAY

NOON

- Riverbend—Mac's Time Out Lounge, 315 Belle St.
- Edwardsville—First Christian

FRIDAY

NOON

- Troy, Silver Creek—Pizza Man

To locate a club where you are visiting check: <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/rid>

COMING EVENTS

2-12: Basketball Tournament. Sign up to help online or see Joe Silkwood.

4-9: Lawn and Garden Show.

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- Is it the Truth?
- Is it Fair to all concerned?
- Will it Build goodwill and better friendships?
- Is it Beneficial to all concerned?

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Haiti—One Year Later

In the year since a catastrophic earthquake struck Haiti, Rotarians in the country have been using resources and funds donated by Rotary clubs worldwide to rebuild schools, support environmental education, and fund clean water initiatives.

Rotary clubs have provided more than \$18 million in aid to Haiti. District 7020, which includes Haiti, raised US\$1.5 million and secured goods and services valued at about

\$11 million for immediate help.

Some of the initiatives supported by the Haiti fund include:

A \$50,000 project by District 7020 and the Rotary Club of Cayes to rebuild six classrooms at La Sainte Famille, an elementary school in La Savane, one of the poorest neighborhoods in the city of Les Cayes. The school serves 682 students, including more than 40 displaced by the earthquake.

A \$13,700 project by the Rotary Club of Carrefour/

Mon Repos, Ouest, to educate 1,300 students about the importance of reforestation. Haiti lost 98 percent of its trees because of the earthquake. Students will plant and maintain fruit trees, reducing erosion and increasing agricultural production. A \$64,000 project by the Rotary Club of Mirebalais, Centre, to construct 80 rainwater collection tanks, each with a 2,500-gallon capacity, in a section of Mirebalais, where there is no

From the Archives

Jan. 14, 1993

-Today's program host is Joe Patton. His guest speaker is U.S. Army Captain Gregory Guren. He will be talking about the Army of the 90's.
-Next week George Paynic

plans to raise our spirits with his program. (Pun intended.)

-We will be playing Sunday basketball this week.

-The Boy's basketball

tournament is scheduled for Feb. 6th.

-Charlie and Rick were getting ready to celebrate another birthday.

Just for Fun

Before a burglary trial, the judge explained to the defendant, "You can let me try your case, or you can choose to have a jury of your peers."

The man thought for a moment. "What are peers?" he asked.

"They're people just like you – your equals."

"Forget it," retorted the defendant. "I don't want to be tried by a bunch of thieves."

