



The Rotary Banner

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PROGRAM HOSTS

TODAY

Chris Herzog

Gene Frizzo—

Madison Co. PTAR

NEXT WEEK

Tad Armstrong

BIRTHDAYS

1-16: Rick Hooks and
Charlie Kunz.

Pray for Haiti Edition

The Habitat Habit

For our first meeting of 2010, Allen Hale introduced his friend, Mark Allison who provided the club with an update on Habitat for Humanity. Mark is the WR Area Chapter President, having been involved with Habitat since 2000. Their chapter is currently building a home at 1008 Park St. in South Roxana and are looking to build one in Bethalto/Cottage Hills/Forest Homes next year. Their homes are approximately 1100 S/F, energy efficient, simple and affordable. Generally the homes accommodate a family of 5-6 people who invest "sweat equity" in the home while it is being built and are able to buy the house from Habitat for "what is in it" when completed.



Habitat is a Christian organization that welcomes all to be a part of the process. They meet every third Monday of the month at the Riverbend Family Ministries building in Wood River and are always open to new members.

Mark also talked about his recent trip to South America to build a home there. There a 600 s/f home was built for a family of ten.

News, Notes, Nonsense and Nothings

Last week, seventeen members braved the weather to enjoy Bob's Fried Chicken and mashed potatoes. They were rewarded by our SAA with a "get out of fine free" card to be used during the month of January. However, Rick was clear to point out that it was not usable last week and collected fines from those without Rotary pins and lazy club members who had someone else shovel snow for them.

Those who were paying attention learned the definition of "mamaratzi."

Allen H. and Brad P. took their chance at the 50/50 pot and left the \$53 to grow for this week.

Mark Allison provided Habitat t-shirts for those who could answer his trivia questions.

Average Attendance for December: 65.48%.
December Perfect Attendance:



MAKE UP SITES

MONDAY

NOON

- Wood River— St. John's 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

7:00 a.m.

- Bethalto— Airport
NOON
- Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

THURSDAY

NOON

- Edwardsville—First Christian

To locate a club where you are visiting check:

<http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/SiteTools/ClubLocator/Pages/riddefault.aspx>

- Eric Barger
- Rod Croxford
- Cory Gallivan
- Allen Hale
- Chris Herzog
- Rick Hooks
- Paul Hoover
- Charlie Kunz
- Larry Lacher
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FOUR WAY TEST

- Is it the Truth?
- Is it Fair to all concerned?
- Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
- Will it be Beneficial to All

Three vampires walk into a bar. The bartender looks at him suspiciously, but decides to serve them anyway. "What'll be, boys?"
The first vampire says "Blood. Give me blood."
The second vampire says "I too wish for blood!"
The third vampire says "Give me plasma."
The Bartender smiles and says "Got it. Two bloods, and a blood-light."

East Alton blog:

<http://eastaltonrotary.blogspot.com/>

online make-up: http://rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/eclub_list.pdf

Coming Events

- February 6: Basketball Tournament

From the Archives
Jan. 13, 2000

-We were finalizing the details of our trivia event.
-Paul was getting ready to sign us up for 4 Cardinal concession stand dates.
-Any member with perfect attendance would receive a free meal at the Installation Dinner.
-President Rick declared a "fine amnesty" for all members wearing Rams colors.

Rotarians Respond to Haiti.

Rotarians are gearing up to deliver aid to areas of Haiti rocked by a powerful earthquake 12 January as a major international relief effort takes shape.

Tens of thousands of people are feared dead after the quake, the impoverished nation's strongest in 200 years, crumbled government buildings, hospitals, schools, and shantytowns. Most of the capital, Port-au-Prince, is in ruins.

"Rotarians are working hard and fast to get help to those in Haiti," says Past RI Director Barry Rassin, of Nassau, Bahamas, who has previously coordinated relief ef-

forts in the country. "We're at the same time working on long-term efforts."

More than US\$75,000 has been donated to District 7020 in the Caribbean, according to Past District Governor Dick McCombe. The district will be coordinating much of the Rotarian relief effort through its Haiti Task Force, set up two years ago to administer all financial aid to the nation.

To learn how you can help, [e-mail](#) District Governor Errol Alberga or visit the [District 7020 website](#).

A six-member team of Rotarians from District 5890 (Texas, USA) have reported in safe after landing in Haiti for a humanitarian mission 45 minutes before the quake struck. They were scheduled

to be there a week but will likely return early.

ShelterBox has dispatched about 500 containers of supplies to the affected area. A ShelterBox response team is being mobilized, with two members from the United States and one from the United Kingdom. Also, more than 100 Aquaboxes are being delivered to Haiti to provide safe water.

"We were in Haiti 18 months ago, delivering aid after a series of hurricanes left thousands homeless," said Lasse Petersen, general manager for ShelterBox. "We'll now be working closely with our contacts on the ground in the country to make sure we get aid to the people who need it most during the current crisis."

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