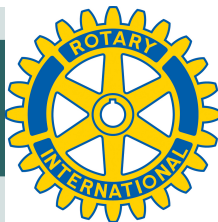


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PROGRAM

TODAY

Angela Valdes
Community Hope
Center

NEXT WEEK

THANKSGIVING
No meeting

BIRTHDAYS

10-27: Denny Weber
11-4: Ron Eaton
11-15: Pat Boyle
11-18: Rhonda Pluester
11-23: Brad Pulaski

East Alton Rotary Club

Chartered Oct. 28, 1971 District 6460 www.eastaltonrotary.org

Reflections on WWII

In our meeting on Nov. 4, Charlie Kunz shared some of his memories from WWII. He was drafted in 1944 at the age of 18 and was put in an ordinance unit. He was originally training to be a part of the invasion force for Japan, but ended up in Germany as part of the clean-up detail. His unit was responsible for taking German prisoners. Among the items that he displayed for the club was a German rifle that he took from a German soldier and pictures that he took in Dachau. He arrived there the day after the camp was liberated and describes the stench as unbelievable. The mass graves had bodies 4-5 feet deep and the smell from the camp was indescribable. Being of German and Christian background, he was alarmed at what these people did. He said that he only fired his rifle once, so he credits those who went before him as the real heroes of the war. Nevertheless, we are thankful for his service to our nation.

News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings

-The crowd was very late arriving, no thanks to Red who was the first one to arrive. maybe the third person to arrive should get a bye?
-Charlie came armed and no so dangerous.
-The finance and marketing committees for the spring home and garden show have been appointed.
-News in East Alton was all the talk for all the wrong reasons.
-Kevin reported that 4 of the 6 students he and Brad interviewed at Roxana were good scholarship candidates.
-There were no visiting Rotarians, but Pat did have a make-up from Florissant.
-The Christmas Party is December 9th at Julia's. You may, or may not, be able to sign up online.
-The Salvation Army bell ringing and bucket rattling will take place on December 11.

Mark V. reports that there were only 2 slots open.
-Kevin reported that we should net about \$1500 from the Chili Supper. Kudos to him and co-chair Roger.
-Christmas flowers will be delivered on December 19th. Will YOU be able to help?
-Rhonda and Lori have met with the folks at Roxana High School in an attempt to establish a Interact Club. Everyone is enthusiastic. The plan is to have a pizza party for potential members in January. (John Pearson reports a group of 15 EAWR students attended a recent Interact meeting.)
-The 50-50 pot rolled.
-The Operation Blessing "Turkey Fund" contains a paltry \$40 buck. TODAY is the last meeting before Thanksgiving. Please be generous.



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
- Goshen—LCCC Center, Edwardsville

THURSDAY

NOON

- Riverbend—Johnson's Corner Restaurant, Alton
- 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

11/25: Thanksgiving Day (No Meeting)
11/26: BLACK FRIDAY
12/9: Christmas Party
12/11: Bell Ringing
12/25: Christmas Day

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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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Arms of Love

Ron Wenzel was our guest at our meeting on October 21 when we met at Julia's and enjoyed a lunch on real plates. President "stuffy" rang the class to get our meeting started and we pledged to a borrowed flag. Following a delicious meal of Roast Beef, Ron told us about his work with the Arms of Love Pregnancy Resource Center. This ministry is funded completely by the donations of its 120 partner churches

and several businesses in the community. Having begun as a Crisis Pregnancy Center, the ministry has expanded to offer several free services including men's classes, parenting classes, abortion recovery groups, GED, STD testing, and life training groups. They are not only interested in preventing abortion, but also in helping women and men to lead better lives with the help of God. Their mission is to reinforce and

build traditional families. Last year, Arms of Love served 650 women. They also have a speakers' bureau of women who have dealt with the pain of abortion. Many people in local churches have dealt with the pain of abortion. One in three women in America have had an abortion, one of five women in churches have had an abortion. For more information see www.armsofloveministries.com.

From the Archives

November 17, 1994

-Rod's guest speaker was Junior Achievement Manager Mary Dunnagan.

-Last week SIUE basketball coach Jack Margenthaler was on hand to talk about his team and distribute free tickets.

-November 19th was the date for tree trimming at the Village Hall.

-Red and Cecil were looking for gently read magazines to distribute to care centers.

-The Salvation Army bell ringing was scheduled for December 17th.

-The Christmas party would be held on December 8th at Doc Taylor's home.

-Jeff Gibbons was scheduled for the December 22nd program. (Who is he?)

Just for Fun

A sign posted in a Dentist's office said:

"Please be nice to our dentists. They have fillings too."

Sign seen in a veterinarian's office:

The doctor is in. Sit. Stay

