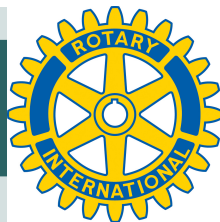


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PROGRAM

TODAY

Missy Walsh

NEXT WEEK

Roger Werts

BIRTHDAYS

3-2: Dwyann I.

3-4: Dick T.

3-6: Dave M.

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Looking to Volunteer?

Mark Vaughn introduced the club to Shannon Lucas from the Southwestern Illinois Volunteer Center who spoke to the club about her role in facilitating connections between 501c3 organizations that need volunteer help and individuals who want to volunteer. While volunteers come from all segments of society, we might be surprised to learn that the greatest number of volunteers are in HS or College.

SWIVC operates an online website that allows for individuals to find a place to volunteer that meets their specific interests and availabilities. Through working through a series of questions, an individual can find the perfect fit.

SWIVC is a part of the Americorps organization and is committed to strengthening communities through individual involvement. Currently their website lists 161 organizations, but they are always open to more. Interested people should see them at www.SWIVC.org.

News, Notes, Nonsense, and Nothings

A new high water mark of 26 members and guests was reached in our last meeting. We were busting at the seams and had to inaugurate a new table for dining. Guests included the guidance counselors from Roxana and EAWR High Schools. Spaghetti was on the menu and on a few ties and shirts around the room.

Paul was early and Wendell was late and all dressed up. Maybe it was trade-places day. In honor of the occasion, Brad P. and Erin traded places as she left and Brad arrived.

Joe filled in for our missing SAA again who was still shaking things up in New Zealand. Joe shook a few people up in the meeting with "Lori's trivia questions." Here's a hint: the answer is almost always, "Paul Harris."

Brad L. announced that he is expecting a bouncing baby girl. Funny, he doesn't even look like he is putting on weight. Dave M. announced that we are stuck with him for another three years and Kevin bragged about his daughter's photo display. Meanwhile, Brad P. let it be known that WR Rotary is not the only group of mouse racers around.

\$81.12 was in the 50/50 pot and passed over by Rod and Red.

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

3-24: Board Meeting

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New Zealand Rotarians Respond to Quake

Rotarians in New Zealand are doing what they can to assist victims of the devastating earthquake 22 February in Christchurch, where more than 100 people have been killed and at least 200 are still missing.

As efforts move from search-and-rescue to recovery, responses from Rotarians offering assistance have been pouring in. Authorities are requesting that donations in kind or noncash items not be sent to Christchurch, as the government, local agencies, and NGOs have sufficient emergency and second phase supplies for the ongoing needs of the community.

Rotary New Zealand World Community Service, a group of Rotarians dedicated to international service projects in New Zealand and the South Pacific, has set up an earthquake appeal fund.

"New Zealand is a small country and everyone knows someone in Christchurch, so this is truly a national disaster," said Past RI President William B. Boyd, a native of New Zealand. "I know that the six districts [there] will work together to rebuild the spirit of the city. Best wishes from Rotarians from around the world have reminded us once again that we are a family and that in difficult times, families come together."

The incoming Rotary Foundation trustee-chair added: "The Rotary Foundation has an important place in the family of Rotary, and our Foundation will play its part as Christchurch rebuilds."

According to a press release on the Rotary Zone 7B (New Zealand and Pacific Islands) website, Rotarians are offering to host

traumatized residents so that they can get away to rest before trying to rebuild their lives. The effort is being coordinated within Rotary and through welfare agencies.

"We are OK but very stirred and shaken. Aftershocks are still continuing," assistant Rotary coordinator Ross Skinner wrote in a post on the site. "We have power and water (it seems) but no waste water or flushing of toilets."

Leanne Jaggs, past governor for District 9920 who lives in Auckland, posted on Tuesday that she was in Christchurch on business when the earthquake hit. "I was just about to jump out of my rental car for a meeting, when it felt like the car was moving," she wrote. "Our hope is that everyone we

Just for Fun

A UNI graduate is applying for a part time job to help with his course fees. He applies to work in a supermarket and gets the job. The first day the manager tells him to sweep the floor, the UNI grad. is furious and shouts "Hey, don't you know that I have several degrees in various areas of science and after seven years of going to university you ask me to sweep the floor." The manager replied, "Oh sorry, I didn't know that, here pass me the broom and I'll *show you* how to sweep the floor."

