

**Peace
Through Service**

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**Avon Rotary President
Laurie Vonglis (left),**

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Building Minds in Sudan by Laurie Vonglis

Our club had the distinct pleasure of meeting Sebastian Maroundit and Judy Schwartz of the Building Minds in Sudan organization. On October 16th Sebastian provided an amazing story of courage and survival as a “lost boy” from Sudan. As a result of his life journey Sebastian began this organization and is dedicated to providing educational opportunities to African villagers in South Sudan.

Judy shared her story explaining her travel to Sudan witnessing poverty and the dire needs of the villagers especially those of the chil-

dren. Judy volunteers on the board of directors as a Ambassador Chair. She explained that the children typically meet under shade trees, sit on make-shift stools and draw in the dirt.

Since the construction of the 1st school, enrollment has dramatically increased especially for the female population.

The organization seeks to restore hope by providing education for people adversely affected by conflict in Sudan. To learn more about their work and to donate, please visit online at buildingmindsinsudan.org



Avon Rotary President Laurie Vonglis (left), Sebastian Maroundit, Judy Schwartz

November = Foundation Month thoughts by DG Gaven

Again, in November our Foundation month, we will be asking for \$5 from every member. This was decided upon a few years back because everyone in our Rotary clubs, even those with poor giving records to the Foundation, could afford. For most of you, why not use the \$5 as a multiplier against age, years married, years in Rotary, the sum of all or whatever. Make it fun or significant. I thank you for your generosity. You do make a difference every day.
DG Gaven Hurley

Avon Rotary Club
Meets Tuesdays at 6pm
Peppermints Restaurant

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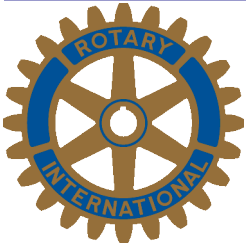
TUESDAY OCTOBER 30TH WILL BE A FRIGHTFULLY FUN MEETING.

OUR SCARY GROUP WILL MEET AT THE SPOOKY HAYES RESIDENCE.

GET YOUR COSTUMES ON FOR ADDED THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT.

ANOTHER DON'T MISS EVENING! SEE YOU THEN... BOO!





Magic of Rotary by Laurie Vonglis



We had a full house last Tuesday, October 23 for our special meeting featuring fellow Rotarian, Bill Gormont of the Greece Rotary Club. Carney's Catering provided a delicious pasta dinner, while Tom and Rodney provided set up at the Avon Commons. Thank you Julie, Tom & Rodney for your efforts to make this happen. Our club was joined by AG Walt Springer and our neighbors from the Caledonia

club which added to the opportunity for fellowship!

Bill began his program by reminding us that the Avon Club sponsored the Greece Club back in January of 1959. He brought the original club bell our club presented to them at their conception.

If you were fortunate to attend this meeting, you witnessed a talented motivational speaker and magician! I wish his energy were contagious! He kept this crowd attentive and engaged throughout his presentation. Bill's message impressed upon us the impor-

tance of VISION and TRUST built on a rock-solid base of POSSIBILITY THINKING. Every club is unique and made up of individuals, each having an important role whether you are a 'legacy member' or new member.

Our thanks to Bill for delivering such a great program!!



Checks In Seats

9/25	30
10/2	35
10/9	35
10/16	28
10/23	33

AVON ROTARY AUCTION
HURRY... get your paperwork in and sign up to work!

Pirate Toy Fund Project...

Avon Rotary Club and Interact members have partnered up in November and December to collect toys to benefit children in need.

The *Pirate Toy Fund* works with over 75 program partners that includes All Local area Hospitals (including Noyes Memorial in Dansville), The American Red Cross, and Local Police Departments. They help children with illnesses, children that are victims of domestic violence and children that have suffered other varying types of loss and tragedies in their life such as house fires and natural disasters.

How can you help? Donate a new unwrapped toy into our Toy Collection Box on Tuesday November 20th.

CLUB EVENTS

Oct. 30	Halloween Party @ Hayes'
Nov. 4	Eastern Cities Dinner
Nov. 5	Board of Directors Meeting
Nov. 6	No Meeting due to Eastern Cities
Nov. 10	AUCTION
Nov. 10	Auction Dinner Outing
Nov. 13	No Meeting due to Auction

DISTRICT EVENTS

Nov. 4	Eastern Cities Dinner with RI President Sakuji Tanaka at Riverside Convention Center in Rochester
Nov. 11	District Foundation Brunch @ Belhurst Castle in Geneva