

Tidings

Club Announcements



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

- Is it the **truth**?
- Is it **fair**?
- Will it build **goodwill** and better **friendships**?
- Will it be **beneficial** to all concerned?

President Kevin Pechacek called the meeting to order and Nelson French read devotions. Following the pledge of allegiance and the four way test, announcements were made. Many thanks to all who set up and greeted!

Welcome Guests

- ~Ron Oliver, San Diego Rotarian
- ~David Miller, RFAH
- ~Dick Whitcomb, Hudson Daybreak

Rotaract Keys to Success

Carrie announced the Keys to Success program hosted by the St. Croix Rotaract on April 30 at the Hudson Country Club at 6:30 p.m. For additional information, see email or contact Aaron Davis.

GSE Picnic/Hosts

John Kremer announced the GSE from India will be here April 29 - May 5. Carol, Randy and Alison have agreed to host the five families for 6 nights.

A club picnic is being planned for Sunday, May 3 at the home of Alison Page.

Westside Readers

Bill announced the Westside Readers volunteer pizza party is scheduled for Friday, May 29 at 11:30 a.m. at the school. The books will be presented to the students in the program at that time.

KRLT Events

Nelson announced the KRLT River Clean Up Day on Sat. May 19 from 9:30 - 11 a.m. To participate, call 425-5738

A club picnic is being planned for Sunday, May 3 at the home of Alison Page.

Golf Tournament

Kevin announced the Jim Dollahon (sp - sorry) Golf Memorial to support the prevention of child abuse has been on-going for 10 years. The organizers of the tournament have asked Rotary to consider taking over the planning/ promotion and fundraising of the event. How this event could mix with the other fundraising opportunities of the club is being evaluated by the board of directors and will be brought to the club for consideration.

Happy Bucks

Steve & Ted Have Friends!

No, not a movie title, rather an announcement that the club's Facebook has 87 friends now. Special thanks to Pat OMalley whose relatives are 30 of our friends. If you have a Facebook account, visit the River Falls Rotary site to view pictures and learn more about club activities (and register as a friend). Many thanks to Steve Leitch for creating and updating the page.

Guest, Sailor & Best Boss Bucks

Garrett, Bill, Ro & Samantha were thankful to have Dave return as a guest and was even happier to learn he was a sailor and ready to join Rotary. Heather gave a "best boss brown nose" buck for Dave (her words) and Dave was happy to be a sailor and a guest.

First Round of Golf Bucks

Brian gave bucks for his first round of golf, even though he played in sideways wind. Guest Dick Whitcomb gave golf bucks, too, and was equally as thankful for the district conference, the car raffle and his pride in helping start RF Club.

Prom & Proud to be Rotarian

Nate, Diane and Elaine were happy for a prom without incident and Elaine was happy for the STRIVE program and Rotary's participation in the awards banquet. Tom Bloom and Kevin gave happy bucks for Diane Odeen who represented the club that evening.

Missed, Scoot & Mystery Bucks

In addition to being thankful for our guests, many rotarians gave missed and mystery bucks. Carrie was our mystery greeter and didn't know it... Nice twist, Kevin.

Kinni/Trout

Nelson & Dave gave thanks for the rising trout on the Kinni; Rosanne gave happy bucks for the Kinni GSE trip; and Kevin gave hopeful and thankful bucks for the upcoming trip kayaking down the kinni with the GSE from India.

Happy that feels like Sad

Samantha gave a buck for her grandfather who passed away on Sunday. The happy piece was that she was able to say goodbye/spend time with him at Easter. Kris also gave a buck for her mother in law who passed in March.

17 for 117 Marathons

Steve gave 17 for his 117th marathon (the big Boston) and three for missed and mystery.

OUR OFFICERS

President:	Kevin Pechacek
Pres Elect:	Diane Odeen
Vice Pres:	Tom Garfin
Treasurer:	Marti Piepgras
Secretary:	Carole Mottaz
Past Pres:	Carrie Fisher

2008 SERVICE DIRECTORS

Club:	Randy Cudd
Community:	Brian McQuade
International:	Heather Logelin
Vocational:	Tom Palmer
Youth:	Elaine Bauman
Membership/PR:	Kris Ainsworth
Programs:	Tom Bloom
Sergeant:	Ted Marsh
Communication	Samantha Bluhm
Bookkeeper:	Marti Piepgras
Photography:	Samantha Bluhm
Website:	Steve Leitch
Club Historian:	Tom Bloom
Grant Writing:	Jim LaPoint

ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

2003:	Tom Bloom
2005:	Tom Garfin
2006:	Dale Jorgenson
2006:	Kevin Pechacek
2006:	Jerry Tack
2007:	John Kremer
2008:	Carole Mottaz

PAST PRESIDENTS

1999:	Tom Bloom
2000:	Gorden Hedahl
2001:	David Brassfield
2002:	Randy Cudd
2003:	Bill Montgomery
2004:	Tom Palmer
2005:	Connie Foster
2006:	Steve Schroeder
2007:	Carrie Fisher

Photo at right, Nate Jackson of Edward Jones shares perspectives on the historical aspects of the stock market.

“Rotary is an organization of business and professional men and women united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.”



Happy Bucks Continued

River Falls in Bloom

Alison gave thanks for the River Falls in Bloom and Carrie announced the judges for the brightest community would be in town on June 24/25. This year's theme is "paint the town red" and the goal is to showcase red flowers in bloom across town. For additional information, please see Carrie.

John Kremer

Jerry gave a happy buck for John Kremer who offered to pick up the students and attend the Camp RYLA leadership banquet in St. Paul. John gave a happy buck for the GSE hosts and also for fixing his radio. He was too cheap to purchase a new radio on ebay so he got his handy man tools out and made it work. Never mind that the blinkers and windshield wipers turn on randomly, but John saved a buck. ;)

34th Birthday & Bob Dylan

Randy gave a happy buck for his son's 34th birthday and Nelson announced the release of Bob Dylan's newest album (do we still call them albums?) and perhaps it is Dylan's 34th something..

Clubs Like This...

Guest Ron gave a happy for ice scrapers buck, Bill gave a 'happy for last frost' buck; and Amy gave a happy for green grass buck. Nelson gave a "Scot's harassment buck" for home hospitality and Marti gave a muddy paw prints buck. Dale gave a grandson buck and Terry gave 20 for the board of directors, the Comunidad event and for Steve Leitch. Carrie gave 20 for a chance to win the hand woven rugs to support Comunidad. Scott gave a general happiness buck and Tom gave a missed and mystery buck.

Treasurer's Report

from Club Treasurer Marti Piepgras

Outlined below is a Gift Funding-Financial Snapshot updated January 9, 2009.

River Falls Rotary Fundraising goes 100% to gifts.
Gifts Budgets are partially secured by surplus funds raised in prior years. FISCAL YEAR starts July 1.

Nutshell: we are \$1,844 behind in our fundraising, for our current Giving Budget.

FUNDRAISING SINCE JULY 1, 2008 \$15,406

One-time "Possible" Gifts

Leadership River Falls	\$250
Haiti Water Project	\$500
Rwanda Children's Village	\$500
Nicaragua Partners	\$500
R.F. Project Lifesaver	\$250
Feed My Starving Children	\$500
Westside Books	\$750
United Way	\$500
Total	\$3,750

Annual "Promises" Gifts – to date

Exchange Student \$1,800

TOTAL GIVING TO DATE \$5,550

REMAINING FUNDS FOR GIFTS \$9,856

Annual "Promises" Gifts in budget, not yet authorized by Board

STRIVE (RFHS)	\$3,000
RFHS Honors Scholarships	\$2,000
Ren. Academy Scholarships	\$1,000
RFHS Honors Banquet	\$1,000
Rotary Fast For Hope	\$1,000
Comunidad (Peru)	\$900
Rotary Camp Enterprise (RFHS)	\$000
RFHS Holocaust Speaker	\$500
Rotary Camp RYLA (RFHS)	\$500
Model UN - RFHS	\$325
World Affairs Seminar – Ren. Acad.	\$275
Ren. Acad. Service Club Scholarship	\$200
Ren. Acad. Honors Party	\$200
Rotary Rose Bowl Float	\$100
Exchange Student	\$700

TOTAL ADDITIONAL "Promises" GIVING PLANNED \$11,700

SHORTFALL \$1,844

If you have questions or need additional information about this report, kindly contact Treasurer Marti Piepgras at 425-6177.



Set Ups, Devotions & Greeters

<u>Date</u>	<u>Devotions</u>	<u>Greeter/Setup</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Devotions</u>	<u>Greeter/Setup</u>
Aug 26	Ted Marsh	Wayne Wulf/Jodie Young	Feb 3	Tim Ericson	Dale Jorgenson/John Kremer
Sept 2	Brian McQuade	Jodie Young/Kris Ainsworth	Feb 10	Peter Bloch	John Kremer /Jim LaPoint
Sept 9	Terry McKay	K. Ainsworth/E. Baumann	Feb 17	Thomas Bloom	Jim LaPoint/Steve Leitch
Sept 16	Bill Montgomery	Elaine Baumann/Don Betz	Feb 24	Samantha Bluhm	Steve Leitch/Heather Logelin
Sept 23	Carole Mottaz	Don Betz/Leslie Bleskachek	Mar 3	Sarah Bogel	Heather Logelin/Amy Luther
Sept 30	Patty Nelson	Leslie Bleskachek/Peter Bloch	Mar 10	Joe Boles	Amy Luther/Ted Marsh
Oct 7	Larry Chicchese	Steve Leitch/Tom Bloom	Mar 17	Rosanne Bump	Ted Marsh/Brian McQuade
Oct 14	Max Neuhaus	Tom Bloom/S. Bluhm	Mar 24	Larry Chichese	B. McQuade/Terry McKay
Oct 21	Virgil Nylander	S. Bluhm/Sarah Bogel	Mar 31	Randy Cudd	T. McKay/B. Montgomery
Oct 28	Pat O'Malley	Sarah Bogel/Joe Boles	April 7	Tim Ericson	Bill/Scott Morrisette
Nov 4	Diane Odeen	Joe Boles/Rosanne Bump	April 14	Carrie Fisher	S. Morrisette/C. Mottaz
Nov 11	Tom Palmer	R. Bump/Larry Cicchese	April 21	Connie Foster	C. Mottaz/ P. Nelson
Nov 18	Kevin Pechacek	Larry Cicchese/Randy Cudd	April 28	Nelson French	Patty Nelson/Max Neuhaus
Nov 25	Marti Piepgras	Randy Cudd/B. McQuade	May 5	Tom Garfin	M. Neuhaus/Virgil Nylander
Dec 2	Jim LaPoint	B. McQuade/Carrie Fisher	May 12	Garrett Gill	V. Nylander/Pat O'Malley
Dec 9	Steve Schroeder	Carrie Fisher/Connie Foster	May 19	Debbie Griffin	P. O'Malley/Diane Odeen
Dec 16	Jerry Tack	C. Foster/N. French	May 26	George Hauser	D. Odeen/Alison Page
Dec 23	Bernie VanOsdale	N. French/T. Garfin	June 2	Gorden Hedahl	A. Page/Tom Palmer
Dec 30	Wayne Wulf	Tom Garfin/Debbie Griffin	June 9	Tony Jilek	T. Palmer/Kevin Pechacek
Jan 6	Jodie Young	D. Griffin/George Hauser	June 16	Dale Jorgensen	K. Pechacek/Marti Piepgras
Jan 13	Kris Ainsworth	G. Hauser/Gorden Hedahl	June 23	John Kremer	M. Piepgras/Jeff Rodewald
Jan 20	Elaine Baumann	Gorden Hedahl/Tony Jilek	June 30	Jim LaPoint	J. Rodewald/Dan Ross
Jan 27	Alison Page	Tony Jilek/Dale Jorgenson			

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