



ROTARY ROUND-UP

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PROGRAMS

Last Week: Wetland Development in Iowa City--Lon Drake (UI Geology)

This Week: Laurie Fajardo

Next Week: Sen. Chuck Grassley

CALENDAR

January 23: Information/Orientation Mtg. @ noon @ UAC

February 6: Board Mtg. @ noon @ Mercy Hospital

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bill Olin has volunteered to lead the Dist. 6000 Rotary Friendship Exchange Committee for a group from Sweden in Sept. 2008. Steve Hedlund will assist; other volunteers are invited to help out. For more information contact Dennis Nygaard, Wellman, IA 319/646-2288.
- Pres. Charlie announced that the Board has awarded \$500 to assist the Grant Wood Chapter of the American Red Cross pay the expenses of air-travel for a 4-year old Ugandan refugee to join her grandmother who is living in the IC area. As a two-year old, she was orphaned when her mother died in a car accident in Uganda. Pres. Charlie commented that this is a good example of Rotary's international humanitarian focus and one way our Club is able to assist with this focus.
- A thank-you letter has been received from Susie Poulton, Director of Health Services, Iowa City Community School District for the Club's recent donation to the Healthy Kids Community Care School Based Clinics. The money was used to purchase medical equipment (nebulizer, otoscope & pulse oximeter) for the clinic. The clinics provide free medical care to school children and younger siblings who do not have access to health care elsewhere.
- Gary Pacha announced the Iowa MOST team will return to Guatemala April 5-15, 2008. Non-medical personnel are needed; they do not have to be Rotarians. The application deadline is January 15th; details available @ www.rotary6000.org or from Gary Pacha <gpacha@aol.com>
- Pres. Charlie reminded Club members of Rotary International's continued efforts to eradicate polio in the world begun through the Polio Plus campaign a few years ago. Polio remains to be eradicated in Nigeria, India, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

MEETING LAST WEEK

Bob Crane and Dick Hoppin @ the keyboard kicked off the first meeting of 2008 with the *Smile* song on Caucus Day!

Rotary Moment

Roy Justis began by asking, "Have you got a Moment?" Roy invited Club Rotarians to sign up to provide the weekly Rotary Moment in 2008—51 slots available! Certainly, most Club members have had an experience that can be related to Rotary. Roy urged Rotarians to take a moment in a rather personal way "to give us a moment of themselves in a rather personal way." "Give Us a Moment of You in a Rotary Moment!"

Pres. Charlie urged Rotarians to sign up for a Rotary Moment in the coming weeks!

Induction of New Member: *Byron Bork* (Education: Physical Therapy) was introduced by his sponsor, Steve Schomberg. Byron is the academic coordinator of clinical education for the UI Graduate program in Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation. Welcome to Byron!

Program

Lon Drake, UI Professor Emeritus, Geology, was introduced by Mel Schlachter. Professor Drake described the development of a wetlands project in SE Iowa City using slides to show the phases and the completed project. Some of the outcomes included cleaner water, bike trails and wildlife habitat. The total project cost \$2.6 million with the city paying up front. Subsequently, developers will reimburse the City for about ½ of the cost as new homes and condos are constructed. The phases of the project also served as learning laboratories for university students in geology and engineering. Tours are available for interested community groups. Drake skillfully articulated the complexities of the environment resulting in valuable outcomes for the present and the future. Thanks to Mel for arranging this program. Pres. Charlie presented Drake with a book to be donated in his honor for the school library in Xicotepec, Mexico.

Visiting Rotarians & Guests

H.D. Hoover introduced visiting Rotarians Stan Barber (Wellman), Janet Coester (IC AM), Deb Pullin Van Auken (ADG, IC AM) and guests Lou Crist (Arleigh Clemens & Myron Welch), Glen Meisner (MMS Consultants/Larry Schnittjer), Rita Frantz (Dean UI College of Nursing/Gerry Felton), Louise & Mary Larew (Dick Larew), Sam Southgate (York, UK/Dick Larew), Ross Wilburn (Crisis Center/Dick Gibson), Byron Bork (Steve Schomberg), Jim Baker (Nancy Baker.)

Make-ups

Kermit Sheker (Coralville/North Corridor); Bill Hausler (Naples, FL.); Jim Clifton, Bernie Cremers, Verne Folkmann, Pat Heiden, Charlie Funk, Bruce Kout, Eleanor McClelland, Maggie Mowery, Nancy Quellhorst, Ron Reed, Lynette Marshall, Jody Braverman (Board Meeting.); Pat Collins (Salvation Army)

Committees

Program: Tom Cilek; *Greeters:* Jan 10--Earle Murphy & Benny Hawkins; Jan 17--Russ Schmeiser & Mike Jensen; Jan 24--Don Koch & Carlin Parish; Jan 31--Larry Schnittjer & Deb Dunkhase; *Sunshine:* Jan--Terry Dickens; *Attendance:* Jan--Janice Wilson & Dave Siebert.