



ROTARY ROUND-UP

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PROGRAM THIS WEEK: Super Bowl Preview with Marv Cook
Next Week: Mitch Gross--Generation Iowa Report

CALENDAR

Feb 6: Board Meeting @ noon @ Mercy Hospital

Feb. 27: Information/Orientation Mtg. @ noon @ UAC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunshine note--Frank Piersol recently fell and fractured his shoulder. Please send cards and notes to the Memory care unit @ Legacy Gardens 15 Silvercrest PL. IC IA 52240.
- Thank you notes from Kate Wickham students for the recent gift of dictionaries by our club, sent by David Sowers' daughter.

THREE PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS -- *Steven L. Quigley* (Finance: Credit Union) sponsored by Jeff Disterhoft. Steve is a banker with the UI Community Credit Union and resides with his spouse, Pam in Iowa City; *Glen D. Meisner* (Engineering: Civil Engineering) sponsored by Larry Schittjer. Glen is a civil engineer & land surveyor with MMS Consultants, Inc. in Iowa City where he resides with his spouse, Kathy; *Louis G. Crist* (Education: Continuing Medical Education-Retired) sponsored by Arleigh Clemens & Myron Welch. Lou is formerly staff & director of Continuing Medical Education @ UI Carver College of Medicine and resides with his spouse, Jan, in Iowa City. *Members have ten days from date of publication to express any concerns in writing to Pres. Charlie.*

ROTARY MOMENT/PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY RECOGNITIONS

Herb Wilson spoke of his recent trip to Pakistan and presented the Club with a banner from the Rotary Club in Lahore. Herb noted the similarities among the projects and accomplishments of the Rotarians in Pakistan with those here. He noted that Rotarians around the world are united in common causes to serve mankind, concluding that "we are one nation, mankind." Herb presented certificates and wings to our most recent additions to the Paul Harris Society: Gerry Felton and Charlie Funk, as well as Jim Swaner who was unable to be present, all Rotarians who have pledged to contribute \$1,000/year to the Annual Fund of the Rotary Foundation. Herb noted that nine members have joined the ranks as Paul Harris Society Members. Congratulations and thanks to these Rotarians for their generosity. Additional Paul Harris recognition was accorded Pres. Charlie (PH pin+2), Gerry Felton (PH pin+3) along with certificates for each. Kudos!

GOAT RIDER

Mark Patton began by noting that he holds two degrees from ISU and thanked Gary Pacha for being his sponsor. Mark, a native Iowan, was born in Manchester. His preparation @ ISU led him to Ghana, Kenya and as a swine consultant in Greece. His wife, Emily, is a nurse practitioner @ Mercy and they have three adult children. Mark is the Director of Habitat for Humanity.

INDUCTION OF NEW HONORARY MEMBER

Pres. Charlie introduced University of Iowa President Sally Mason and welcomed her as the club's newest Honorary Member.

ROTARIANS IN THE NEWS

Zippy Ladies: Riding ziplines over Rain Forest (Victoria West (Steve), Marsha Hamer (Mark), Cherie Cremers (Bernie)); Presenting Problems: Wellness Initiatives (Nancy Quellhorst); Pay Attention to Environment (Dorothy Paul)

PROGRAM LAST WEEK

UI Pres. Sally Mason introduced ISU Pres. Gregory Geoffrey who assumed his post @ ISU in 2001. She described him as a good colleague who had been very helpful to her since she assumed the UI presidency 6 months ago. Pres. Geoffrey noted that despite the great athletic rivalry between the two state universities, the two work very well together. He attributes this to the great higher education structure; enhanced by having just one State Board of Regents that promotes each U's respective mission and benefits. ISU celebrates its 150th birthday this year, evolving from a small rural college into the major international university. Pres. Geoffrey outlined many of the well-known accomplishments of ISU faculty and researchers. The university continues with the Land Grant College mission as it began as Iowa Agriculture College & Model Farm and has made the transition to ISU of Science & Technology. The university is a world leader in agriculture, plant and animal sciences; and is well ahead of the queue in Biofuels. ISU offers outstanding on and off-campus academic programs, including its well-known Extension program which shares expertise of the university in all 99 counties in Iowa. A recent development is Asoyia; it is made from soybean oil and contains no trans-fat. It is available locally with headquarters in IC. Pres. Geoffrey passed around a bottle of Asoyia for members to view. He concluded his remarks about ISU's proud history and the intent to keep its focus on science and technology with the future challenge to become more entrepreneurial and less dependent on public funding. Pres. Charlie presented Pres. Geoffrey with a book to be donated in his honor for the school library in Xicotepec, Mexico and told Pres. Geoffrey that "we are all proud of the Iowa State University."

Visiting Rotarians & Guests – Don Koch introduced visiting Rotarians Leis Hunt (ISU Ext. Ottumwa); John Lohman (CR DT), and guests Chad Reimers (Gary Pacha), Greg Keeley (CEO Asoyia/Wendy Ford), Jim Baker (Nancy), Lou Crist (Arleigh Clemens/Myron Welch), Alissa Atkinson & Sarah James (ISU Students/Bill Bywater), Terrance Neuzil (Maggie Mowery), Becky Kresowik (Tim), Stephanie Salasek (ISU/Bill Bywater), Glen Meisner (Larry Schnittjer), Sally Mason (Bob Downer), Bob Mercer (Ann Parker)

Student Guests -- Dale Simon introduced Anna Murray and Daniel Davis (West High) who shared briefly about their experiences @ West High including their extra curricular activities. Dick Johns introduced Minji Kwon, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar from Korea and a doctoral student in music @ UI.

Make-ups -- Bill Bywater, Kimberly Caliger, Charlie Gay, Dick Johns, Jim Lane, Eleanor McClelland, Gary Pacha, Ann Parker, Arleigh Clemens, Jeff Disterhoft, Larry Schnittjer (Information/Orientation Mtg.), Ron Reed (IC AM), Gene Mohling (Washington, IA.)

Committees -- *Program*: Tom Cilek; *Greeters*: Jan 31--Larry Schittjer & Deb Dunkhase Feb 7--Bryan Lawler & Mike McKay; Feb 14--Pat Collins & H.D. Hoover; Feb 21--Verne Folkmann & Don Koch; Feb 28--Mike Jensen & Dave Siebert; *Sunshine*: Jan--Terry Dickens; Feb--Mike Pugh; *Attendance*: Jan--Janice Wilson & Dave Siebert; Feb--John Chadima & Nancy Droll