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Rotary Buzzer

Meeting Recap

February 1
Jamie Williams, Ericson
Public Library

February 4
Club Visioning-8:30-
12:30 at the Historical
Center

February 8
Raquel Palomero's RYE
Presentation

February 13
Board Meeting 5:10 at
Boone Valley Brewing

February 15
John Wiebold, Chief of
Police
Megan Houston,
Program Chair

February 22
Jeff Anderson, Program
Chair

March 1
Auction Work Day

March 8
Jim Riordan, Program
Chair

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Pres. Troy Thompson

Dist. Gov. Chris Knapp

ADG Steve Dakin

RI Pres. John Germ

2016-17 RYE Students:
Raquel Palomero
(inbound)

Isidro Gonzalez
(outbound)

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Thank you once again to Mary Youngblood for taking notes for the Buzzer in my absence! I think I sometimes "recall" better what happened at meetings based on Mary's notes than I do based on my own notes when I was actually there!

Phil, our greeter for the day, greeted the club members remotely as he was snowed in in Iowa Falls—so President Troy stepped in to make sure everyone felt welcome on Wednesday.

Among the announcements Troy shared, he noted that we

Sergeant at arms Cody collected "dollars" for the snow-- Lisa was happy about, Eldon and some others???? Not so much. Several members paid dollars in appreciation of all the work that Abby and Megan have done in preparation for this year's auction and several members were happy about

are still in need of a member to volunteer to serve as treasurer for the 2017-18 Rotary year (starting in July 2017).

Mary Youngblood Receives Paul Harris Plus One Recognition!

In addition to being a great note taker, Mary Youngblood is also a great supporter of the Rotary Foundation. On Wednesday Mary received her Paul Harris Plus One pin in recognition of her ongoing support of the great work of the Rotary Foundation.

Congratulations, Mary!

Sergeant at Arms

Mary's Paul Harris Plus One recognition. Doug was happy about the outcome of last night's ISU game, but Dave Cook? Also, not so much! Tim paid a dollar for Dave and Lisa Cook agreeing to be Raquel's third host family (she is staying with outbound RYE student, Isidro Gonzales' family now). Steve said he and Lesli

CLUB VISIONING ON FEBRUARY 4th!

Our Club Visioning work session will take place on Saturday morning February 4th starting at 8:30 and will conclude by 12:30. Among the topics that will be considered will be fundraisers, service projects, our upcoming club centennial celebration in 2019 and the possibility of a satellite club. This is a very important process that will help chart the future direction of our club, so please try to attend if at all possible!

(Raquel's first host family) are missing her... and Steve is also missing the home cooked meals prepared while Raquel was staying with them. They don't seem to be occurring with the same frequency now that she's gone.

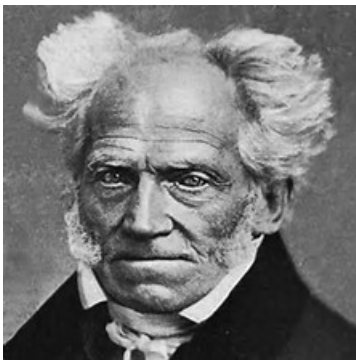


Abby and Megan: Rotary Auction Kickoff

Quote of the Week

Just remember,
once you're over
the hill you begin
to pick up speed.

Arthur
Schopenhauer,
German
philosopher



The Abby and Megan updated the club on plans for this year's auction which will take place at Seven Oaks on June 16th. The Luau theme proved popular last year so they are doing it again this year. Troy will be preparing the food and tickets will be \$20 per person. They decided to hire a DJ this year to save money and much needed space, which will provide background music during the night. We can also use his sound system for the live auction. They hope to revamp the set up and possibly have a mobile bar outside.

The wine grab and the raffle will be back. Raffle tickets will be \$10 this year and they will have at least two items to raffle off. Proceeds from one of the raffles might have a cause attached like last year.

They passed out packets to each member which included several introduction letters members can mail out, several Receipt/Invoice forms to be used if requested from donors and individual donor information sheets with specific businesses for each member to contact. Of course, everyone is encouraged to come up with ideas or items of their own. The donor information sheets need to be in by May 19 so packaging can be

done. Items will be stored at US Bank – you can either take them to the bank or bring them to Rotary and give them to Abby, Cody or Pete. They will be sending out “Save the Date” cards in April to anyone who bought tickets for the last two years. If anyone has other names to add to this list, please contact Abby or Megan.

At this point volunteers are needed for preparing the program, a dedicated person for the Wine Grab, and a publicity chair. Contact Abby or Megan if you can help with any of these.

They encouraged everyone to try to think outside the box for donations so we can mix it up from previous years. In order to attract new buyers, we need to get new items. They hope to be able to have 10 or less live auction items, hopefully including a trip which was very popular last year.

Ways to get people to attend was discussed as this is the most important thing. Some of the suggestions included buying tickets yourself and giving one or two to a friend and tell them to bring some friends and calling neighbors, family members and friends during the month of June to invite them.

See you next week!

