

Rotary Buzzer

(Still) Think(ing) Spring!

April 5

Pres. Andrew's
President elect Club
Assembly

Board Meeting
Boone Valley Brewing
at 5:10

April 12
Auction Work Day

April 19
"Teddy Roosevelt"
Boone Community
Theater

April 26
Vicki Greco, Program
Chair

May 3
Dave Cook, Program
Chair

May 10
Jane Hitsman, 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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Pres. Troy called the meeting to order on a rather blustery day and he welcomed back Tom Monroe who has been proposed for membership (noted in the Buzzer twice) and Mara MacKay, the director of the Boone Historical Museums who has ALSO been proposed for membership! Sarah Schrupp from Boone High was also with us once again ON Wednesday. Troy shared that there is a Rotary Leadership Institute at the offices of Shive-Hattery this Saturday which is designed to help increase Rotary knowledge and perspective about where Rotary has been, where it

is now, and a vision of what Rotary can be. You can register online at www.rli-heartland.org Troy also shared that Lisa attended the Rotary Training Seminar last Saturday in Newton.

Matt Elthon—Our Newest Member

President Troy inducted Matt Elthon as the newest member of the Boone Rotary Club. Matt shared that he is a native of Charles City and is buyer for Fareway Stores. Matt and his wife, Angie, have two children: Benjamin who is 3 and Jackson

who will turn two on April 15th and they also have a new German shepherd puppy! Please be sure to introduce yourself to Matt and welcome him to the Boone Rotary Club!



Matt Elthon being welcomed to the club by President Troy!

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Cody collected dollars from many members who expressed their happiness about Matt joining our club (and the prospect of Tom and Mara joining soon) and Matt was happy to be a new member. George was happy that his eye problem has improved enough that his doctor at the Wolfe Clinic "doesn't want to see him again"

(for three months). Amy was REALLY happy about the cake we had for lunch and Brian "set up" Sarah, asking her what play the Toreador Theatre will be performing this weekend (at 7:00 P.M. on March 31 and April 1)—and Sarah said "I don't have a Clue" (which is actually the name of the mystery play they are doing). Sarah and Katelynn Mehlhaus

are both in the production. Abby enjoyed her daughter's state gymnastic meet last weekend and Craig shared that Jeannie Schaub, the wife of former Rotarian Bob Schaub, passed away earlier in the week. Please keep the Schaub family in your thoughts and prayers.



Carla Awtry and Michelle Riesberg— “Junk” Repurposing

Quote of the Week

“I don't
think
outside
of the box;
I think
of what
I can
do with
the box.”

Miko Ng,
designer



Mary Dufelmeier introduced Carla Awtry of *Uptown Funky Junk* and Michelle Riesberg of *Old New and Things 2 Redo* who talked about their experiences operating businesses involved in finding, purchasing, and repurposing or upcycling “junk” furniture. Carla shared that she worked for many years as a nurse in California before she and her husband moved to Boone several years ago. She and her daughter went to a store with repurposed, old furniture and Carla told her daughter, “I can do that”! For a few years she traveled to shows with the pieces she repurposed but eventually she decided to open her own, physical location (*Uptown Funky Junk*) on 8th Street. Michelle’s business is located on Story Street adjacent to the “greenspace”. Michelle shared a bit about how she finds furniture and repurposes it for sale. She noted that he store also has an extensive collection of vinyl records that are experiencing renewed popularity again. Michelle and Carla have also been instrumental in the development of the Lincoln Highway Junkathon which encourages people to visit

stores from east of Boone to Jefferson. The last event attracted nearly 2500 visitors each of the three days it was held and the next event will take place on May 5-7 with food vendors and musicians set up in the greenspace. It was very evident that Carla and Michelle REALLY enjoy what they do!



Mary Dufelmeier along with Carla Awtry of Uptown Funky Junk and Michelle Riesberg of Old, New, and Things 2 Redo

First Notice of Proposal for Membership

Mara MacKay has been proposed for membership in the Boone Rotary Club. Please direct any comments relating to Mara’s proposed membership to Pres. Troy or a board member.