

Rotary Buzzer

Meeting Recap

May 17
Steve Dakin, ADG
Rotary Update

May 24
Auction Work Day

May 31
Doug Thompson,
Program Chair

June 7
Cody Bowers, Program
Chair

June 12
Board meeting/Possible
Satellite Club Meeting

June 14
Randy Purdy, Program
Chair

June 16
Rotary Auction—Seven
Oaks

June 21
Abby Howie, 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 and welcomed back Sarah and Raquel. Troy was pleased to announce that Tony Prouty, who was a club guest last week, has been proposed for club membership. Troy shared that their “may” be a board meeting on June 12th but it may also be the inaugural meeting of the “satellite” club. Troy will keep us posted! Troy reported that the board approved a \$250 donation Access for their back-to-school backpack project. Troy also welcomed Steve back after his ten day trip “Rollin’ with Rotary” with RI VP Jennifer Jones. Steve traveled nearly 3800 miles during the trip!

DISTRICT CONFERENCE REPORT

Troy reported that the Boone Rotary Club was well represented at the District Conference in Coralville last weekend. Jeff was recognized as one of the recipients of the Paul Hellwege Guardian of Integrity Award and Susan was

recognized for the great work she did in promoting awareness of Rotary’s polio eradication efforts. Dave Cook shared that our club was recognized for having the second highest per capita giving to the Rotary Foundation last year—coming in at just over \$400 per member!



Jeff receiving the Paul Hellwege Guardian of Integrity Award



Susan receiving the Foundation Public Image Award

First Notice of Proposal for Membership

Tony Prouty has been proposed from membership in the Boone Rotary Club. Please forward any comments to Pres. Troy or a board member.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Cody collected happy dollars from Brian and Kurt who are preparing for upcoming graduation festivities and from Drew who was pleased to be able to attend for two weeks in a row! Ken was happy about the fortuitous timing of fertilizer to his yard in advance of today’s rain. Several members were happy about the recognition Jeff received at the District

Convention. Jeff was honored to have received the award named for longtime Boone Rotarian Paul Hellwege and Dave was impressed by Steve’s involvement with Rollin’ with Rotary but was also impressed by how many of the clubs that Steve serves as assistant district governor came up and expressed appreciation to him for the great representation and

service that Steve has provided them over the past few years. Mara was thrilled that the Military History exhibit is now open and ready for visitors!! Abby appreciated the thoughts and prayers for her father in law who passed away last week. She was also looking forward to a lot of auction items coming in over the next week.



Jim Gideon, River Valley Festival Recap and The Livery

Quote of the Week

I urge you to please notice when you are happy, and exclaim or murmur or think at some point, 'If this isn't nice, I don't know what is.

Kurt Vonnegut,
(from one of his many graduation addresses)



Jane Hitsman introduced Jim Gideon who shared a recap of last weekend's inaugural River Valley Festival. Jim is the vice president of the non-profit group that planned, coordinated, and ran the event. Jim noted that for an initial event everything went REALLY well. The weather and attendance was very good with over 1000 people showing up at the Ledges and 300 taking part in the guided hiking tour. Over 1200 people attended the concert by Three Dog Night and nearly 2500 people came out to see twenty four vendors during the Art in the Park event in McHose Park! Jim indicated that they learned a lot and are already "debriefing" and thinking about ways to improve the festival next year. He did share that one thing that will change for certain is the date of the event, noting that having it the same weekend that DMACC and Iowa State were holding their graduation ceremonies resulted in no available hotel space in town. Jim did say that they raised close to \$10,000 for the upcoming Freedom Flight!

Jim and his wife are also the owners of The Livery. Jim said they changed the name of the eating establishment in the basement from The Good News Room to the Livery Deli, noting that having the name more clearly indicating what it is has made a big

difference. Business continues to be very good (he had a hard time getting away to speak at our meeting). He did say that the new names of the deli has helped encourage more men to come and visit for lunch—although Jim, Dave, and Kurt indicated they always felt it was a "man friendly" venue! Amy asked (on behalf of a friend) if Jim still planned to open a "wine bar" in the Livery. Jim noted that they would eventually like to do so but there are several other projects that need to be completed first.



Jane Hitsman with The Livery owner and River Valley Festival vice chair Jim Gideon

**REMINDER: AUCTION
ITEMS ARE DUE BY
FRIDAY MAY 19th!**