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Rotary Buzzer

January 10 Brian Mehlhaus, Program Chair

January 15 Board meeting at BVB at 5:10

January 17 To Be Announced

January 24 Auction Kick Off

January 31 Susan Herrick, Program Chair

February 7 Troy Thompson, Program Chair

February 14 Megan Houston, Program Chair

February 21 Jeff Anderson, Program Chair

February 28 Auction Work Day

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Pres. Andrew Schroeder

RY Student Matej Vukic

Dist. Gov. Mike Ruby

RI Pres. Ian Riseley

Happy New Year!

President Andrew called the first meeting of the New Year to order on a VERY cold, wintry day! Mary Maybee was visiting as George's quest. Welcome back, Mary! Andrew passed around thank you notes from the Salvation Army for our bell ringing support \$1473!), (collecting from Operation Warm for \$240 in donations for winter coats, and from Hannah Chesnut who received a 4H our Award club sponsored. Andrew noted that the next board meeting will take place on Monday

January 15th (the third Monday) and the Evening Club will meet again on January 8th (the second Monday) at the Tic Toc. Steve Dakin shared that PDG Jacque Andrew will be there to talk about the RAG4ClubFoot program.

Iowa Wolves Polio Plus Game

The Iowa Wolves Polio Plus game will take place Saturday February 3 at 7:00 p.m. Since the inception of this event over \$95,000 has been raised that has been used to provide over 150,000

doses of polio vaccine! Tickets for the event are \$16. Please let Andrew know if you are interested in attending would like purchase and donate tickets.

Rotary Anniversaries

Doug Thompson has been a member of our club for 4 (or 5, depending who you ask) and Dave Cook has been a member for 17 years. Congratulations, guys!

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Cody collected happy dollars from Amy who had a nice trip to Texas, noting that they had a winter weather advisory based on 40 degree weather! Matt was happy about the New Year and Kurt was happy that he weeks of consecutive attendance "streak" is still intact! He is predicting that

2018 is going to be a "superb" year! Sounds good to me! Phil was happy about the new year but also happy to be back to a "normal" schedule. Andrew is looking forward to a trip next week, noting that he will be putting the running of the meeting in president -elect Lisa's

capable hands! Craig was happy to that the New Year has gotten off to a "good start".



Quote of the Week

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man."

— Benjamin Franklin



Farm Progress Show

Kurt Phillips introduced Kris Blocker who is the Director of Member Service and oversees the Convention and Visitor Bureau and Hospitality Services for the Chamber to discuss the Chamber's role in Farm Progress Show and Central Iowa Expo. Kris shared that the Farm Progress Show brings upwards of 150,000 visitors to the Boone area (so it is a major undertaking). This vear's Progress Show will run from August 28-30. Kris is also in the process of updating the Boone Visitor Guide and she is already thinking about Boone County Booth in the Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fair. She noted that Boone County has the largest booth at the show! Jungmann then discussed his role in promoting and coordinating the Farm Progress Shows (both in Boone and in Decatur, IL). Matt is originally from Adel and attended Iowa State. Matt shared that the Farm Progress Show is the "kickoff" event for series of farm/ag related shows including the shows in Nebraska. Ohio. and Georgia. Matt praised Kurt and the rest of the Central Iowa Expo Board noting that are tremendous to work with which helps make the Farm Progress Show such a great event. The Farm Progress Show makes use

of the surrounding farm fields for interactive demonstrations of farm equipment and they are also going to have a "tiling" demonstration this year as well. He did say that the Farm Progress Show has a contract that guarantees the show will be held at the Central Iowa Expo site through at least 2036! He did say that the really appreciate the great volunteers that assist with providing food, helping with parking, and providing information.



Matt Jungmann of the Farm Progress Show with Kris Blocker and Kurt Phillips of the Boone Area Chamber

See you next week!