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Rotary Buzzer

March 21
Daniel Scott, City
Engineer
Mary Youngblood,
Program Chair

March 28
Reiman Gardens,
Mary Dufelmeier,
Program Chair

April 4
Pres. elect Lisa's Club
Assembly

April 11
Auction Work Day

April 14
Toast of Rotary in
Carroll and West Des
Moines

April 18
Sara Morton, Program
Chair

April 25
Vicki Greco, Program
Chair

May 2
Dave Cook, Program
Chair

May 9
Jane Hitsman, Program
Chair

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Pres. Andrew
Schroeder

RY Student Matej Vukic

Dist. Gov. Mike Ruby

RI Pres. Ian Riseley

Meeting Recap

Pres. elect Lisa got in a little bit more "practice" on Wednesday as Pres. Andrew was away for Spring Break (hopefully we won't see him on "Presidents gone Wild" on MTV!). Sara Schrupp was back from college for her break and stopped in say "hi"! Lisa will be going to the District Assembly/Rotary training meeting in Newton on March 24 if anyone else is interested in attending and carpooling!

Board Report

Lisa shared that the board decided to donate \$500 to the Kiwanis Ki Hi Kapper (the after prom party) and \$1000 to the YMCA's "Safety around

Water" program. The board also decided to put an ad in the brochure for the upcoming Toast of Rotary get together to help promote our Rotary Auction. Speaking of the auction, Cody shared that one of the board members will be contacting each member to provide a "nudge" to see how they are coming on contacting their donors. We need to have all donations confirmed by no later than May 15 in order for them to make it into the program.

It was also reported that the board is considering moving the meeting when

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Cody collected a dollar from Craig who was "just happy" and from Phil for the nice weather (it didn't last!). George was happy that he wasn't seriously hurt in fall at home but he is still pretty sore he reported. Jeff was happy that his daughter has taken a job in the marketing department for American Players Theater in Wisconsin and Troy was

happy about the great job that Lisa has done filing in for Andrew. Dave paid a dollar in memory of Stephen Hawking and Steve paid \$10 for his purple beard that he said is in recognition of the drive to end polio, World Women's Day, Kansas State, and his wife's favorite color. Steve and Susan also had the opportunity to attend the

District Governor Tom Narak visits our club next Rotary year to a Monday evening to provide more time for the meeting and to allow members of the Evening Club to attend. The date for Gov. elect Tom's visit has not been set but we will keep you posted!

Lisa also reminded everyone about the Toast of Rotary and bus trip. Troy shared the bus will probably leave from DMACC around 9:15 on the 14th. Please turn in your registrations to Lisa as soon as possible.

North Central PETS (president elect training seminar) for four districts last weekend. They were pleased to report that with respect to "understanding of Rotary" it appears that District 6000 is still ahead of the game!! He also noted that someone will be on hand next week to talk about the Sukup Safety Hut project.



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Quote of the Week

Happiness is hard to recall. It's just a glow.

Frank McCourt,
Irish teacher and author



Food Bank of Iowa—Tom Polking

Lisa introduced Tom Polking representing the Food Bank of Iowa. Tom is an attorney in Jefferson who now lives in Des Moines (to be closer to his four daughters and eight grandchildren). He noted that he was very involved in community activities in Jefferson when he lived there and when he moved to Des Moines he began looking for a cause to get involved with there and he chose the Food Bank of Iowa. He shared that the Food Bank of Iowa is a subsidiary of Feeding America. The Food Bank has a “pantry” but its role is primarily to provide food to a network of over 500 partner agencies in 55 Iowa counties—distributing over 1 million pounds of food each month. He describe how the Food Bank procures food including taking food with mislabeled packaging, lightly damaged but perfectly healthy cans and dry goods, and donations from USDA subsidy

programs. Half of what they distribute comes from retailers and wholesalers, 30% from USDA, and 20% from cash donations (which they largely use to purchase meat and other protein sources). There are also several community gardens that provide fresh produce in season!



Tom Polking of The Food Bank of Iowa with Pres. elect Lisa Mount



Steve sporting a new look to promote Polio Eradication Awareness (among other things)!