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Rotary Buzzer

DG Tom Narak's Club Visit

November 28
Bill Skare, City
Administrator
Craig Downs, Program
Chair

December 5
Bob Herrick, Program
Chair

December 6
Salvation Army Bell
Ringing

December 12
Andrew Schroeder,
Program Chair

December 19
Pete Frangos, Program
Chair

December 26
No Meeting—Happy
Holidays

January 2
Committee Work Day

January 9
Brian Mehlhaus,
Program Chair

January 16
One Rotary Summit
Video

Pres. Lisa Mount

RI Pres. Barry Rassin

Jeff Anderson, Editor

Carla Gomez Tello
Tellez—RYE Student

President Lisa called our special joint meeting of the noon and evening Rotary Clubs (evening time, noon place!) to order as we welcomed District Governor Tom Narak and his wife Carol to Boone. Also visiting was our assistant district governor Michelle Cassabaum of Nevada!

Lisa passed around the signup sheets for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing Day on Thursday December

6th. Historically our club has been VERY successful at helping raise money for the Salvation Army—so let's see if we can do it again this year!

Lisa also noted that IMPACT (the food pantry) is in need of donations. In particular they could use soups, sauces, pasta, and packaged dinners. Lisa asked members to consider bringing these or other food items for our club to donate to IMPACT during what for many families is not a season of plenty but

rather a season of need.

Lisa also provided additional copies of the Centennial Project packets that Dave Cook prepared and presented last week for any members who didn't have a chance to see them. We will be having additional work days for our project in the weeks and months ahead.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR TOM NARAK

The club welcomed Gov. Tom and Carol with a "standing o"! Tom began by extending greetings from RI President Barry Rassin of the Bahamas. Tom shared that he had met with the board just prior to our meeting and he was very impressed with all the great things our club is doing—including the initiation of

the Evening Club that has increased the number of Rotarians in our combined clubs—something that is not necessarily the case with many clubs and organizations in North America. He thanked past district governor Susan and DG nominee Steve Dakin for their leadership at the District level and

he particularly thanked Dave Cook for his years of service facilitating Club Visioning with numerous clubs in District 6000. Tom noted it has taken three people to "replace" Dave as facilitators! (next page)



DISTRICT GOVERNOR TOM NARAK (Continued)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Thanksgiving dinners take eighteen hours to prepare. They are consumed in twelve minutes. Half-times take twelve minutes. This is not coincidence.

Erma Bombeck, writer and columnist



Governor Tom shared about the importance of developing the next generation of Rotarians, noting that worldwide about 27% of clubs sponsor Rotaract clubs. Traditionally this has been at colleges but he suggested looking at “community Rotaract” clubs as an option for service as well. Tom and Carol shared that they are asking clubs to focus on one of three areas in the coming Rotary year: Literacy, Child Abuse Prevention, and Polio Eradication. Tom (who is a retired school superintendent) and Carol (who was a school librarian and special education teacher) stressed the importance of early literacy development in future academic and career success and encouraged the club to

continue making this a priority (both the Noon and Evening Clubs are involved in this area). The second area he suggested clubs work is in the area of child abuse prevention, noting that every county has organizations that club can work with to learn more about preventing harm to children. He concluded by asking our clubs to continue our strong support of polio eradication efforts through the Rotary Foundation (largest per capita giving last year) and the Ride to End Polio. He ended by inviting everyone to this year’s Rotary District Conference is West Des Moines May 2-4!

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FADG Michelle Cassabaum, Pres. Lisa, and Carol and DG Tom Narak