

Rotary Buzzer

Meeting Recap

November 13
Eldon Hutcheson,
Program Chair

November 20
Networking: Bill
Curran, Mary
Youngblood, and
Craig Downs

November 27
Bob Herrick, Program
Chair

December 4
Andrew Schroeder,
Program Chair

December 11
Pete Frangos, Program
Chair

December 18
Networking: Bill
Curran, Mary
Youngblood, Craig
Downs

Dec. 25
No Meeting

Pres. Vicki Greco

DG Erna Morain

RI Pres. Mark Maloney

Jeff Anderson, Editor

President Vicki was gone on Wednesday (hopefully somewhere warmer than Boone!) so Andrew filled in running the show! He shared the upcoming calendar of events including painting the inside of the passenger car. Tentatively it is planned for November 16th but Lisa will let us know for sure about the date and time when it gets pinned down.

POLIO UPDATE

Susan shared an updated relating to polio eradication efforts. She noted the good news is that wild polio strains 2 & 3 have been full eradicating leaving only wild polio strain 1. This

Cody filled in for Matt and collected happy dollars from Randy in hopes of warmer weather and from Tony who was glad have his crops safely harvested. Pete was happy for the observance of Veterans Day next Monday. Dave was happy about the

year there have been 96 cases of wild polio in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Vaccination efforts in Afghanistan have unfortunately been suspended due to ongoing unrest in the country. There have also been some cases of vaccine derived cases of polio. Older version of oral vaccine result in a period of time when those vaccinated will excrete a weakened version of the live virus which can infect others that have not been vaccinated. We will be doing a Ride to End Polio soon to help raise funds for the ongoing fight to finally stamp our polio once and for all. Susan share that Nigeria (along with the rest of Africa) has

Sergeant at Arms

support the city has provided for our Welcome Train project and for having travelled to Lawrence to witness KSU's win over Kansas last Saturday. Doug was impressed that Cody was sporting a tie on Wednesday and Susan

been declared "polio free" with no new cases being detected in the last three years—which makes our Nigerian "granddaughter" (the daughter of our first foreign exchange student) very grateful!



Proposal of Membership

Jim McPartland, a teacher at Boone High, has been proposed for membership. Please forward any comments to Pres. Vicki or a board member.

was very proud of Boone Rotary noting that Steve is going to be a great District Governor and wishing Dave Cook good luck when he meets with the District Governor nominating committee next Sunday.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Youth is a quality, not a matter of circumstances.

Frank Lloyd Wright, architect, 1867-1959



City Administrator Bill Skare

Craig Downs introduced Boone City Administrator Bill Skare who provided an update on the “doings” in the city. Bill noted the city council is starting their budgeting process for FY 2021 in coming weeks, beginning with the council’s goal setting meeting on Dec. 3rd. For the current fiscal year the council set four primary goals which included a school resource officer for the Boone Schools (the new officer started in the schools on October 28th), downtown revitalization, a community marketing campaign, and nuisance abatement. The downtown revitalization effort has included a fund for business façade improvements which will cover up to 40% of the cost up to a maximum of \$30,000. They also partnered with the Boone County Economic Growth Corporation a \$10,000 fund to support new business starts in the downtown Boone. In the coming years they are looking to resurface Story Street in downtown Boone. The marketing campaign involves the development of a 30 marketing video (for TV) along with a longer version that will be available on the city website and social media sites. Bill also discussed the overpass project that would extend over the

tracks on Highway 17 which would connect to an extension of Industrial Road. The project is slated to be in 2023 but they hope the DOT will consider doing it as soon as 2021. In addition to reducing blocking some of the road crossings (all east of Story would be closed) it will improve safety and open up more area in the Industrial Park area for economic development. He noted that Boone continues to work on some storm/sanitary sewer issues and street repair and paving projects.



Craig Downs with City Administrator Bill Skare

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!