

ROTARY CLUB OF POTTSVILLE – BULLETIN – November 25, 2009

Web Sites: CLUB: www.pottsvillerotary.com DISTRICT: www.rotary7370.org

PROGRAM – Rotary Foundation

Past District Governor, Mike Nailor gave a presentation on The Rotary Foundation

Foundation Goals – Advance World Understanding, Goodwill, and Peace
Health and Education
Poverty Eradication

Polio Plus – When Polio Plus was started in the 1980's there were 1000 new cases per day – Today there are only 1000 new cases per year worldwide. Polio still exists in four countries: Pakistan, Afghanistan, India, and Nigeria. However, even in those countries there are only small areas where it is still a problem. Bill Gates issued the 200 million dollar challenge – His foundation will match Rotary funds raised up to 100 million dollars, and if that is reached, he may add more.

Rotary Foundation promoted education through Ambassadorial Scholarships, GSE Teams, and the Rotary Centers for Peace and Conflict Resolution. The Centers are a recent addition. 70 Scholars enter a two year Masters Program, which rotates at 7 sites throughout the world.

Grant Programs

Matching Grants – Match a Rotary Club or District in two countries for a project in the host club area. Money pledged by the clubs is matched by Rotary International.

District Simplified Grants – These are grants used within your District. They can be for any project, as long as Rotarians are actively involved in it. A one page application is filled out and turned in to the District before July 1.

3H Grant Program – This is for large grants \$25,000 or \$50,000.

Rotary Foundation has experienced a drop off in contributions and a large increase in requested grants.

CONTRIBUTING TO THE FOUNDATION

Annual Fund – Provides operating funds for the Foundation; Goal is every Rotarian Every Year, with a monetary goal of \$100 per Rotarian. All funds contributed in a year are invested for three years. Those contributed funds, plus return on investment are then used starting in the third year.

Permanent Fund - Bequests, Gifts, Endowments, Insurance to add to the Permanent Fund – Only Investment Returns are spent from this fund.

Paul Harris Society - A special District Recognition Program for Rotarians who commit to contributing at least **\$1,000 per year**. Our District has started the program this year, with the goal

of having 20 society members out of 1000 Rotarians by April 2010.

TRF Direct Donations - The Foundation offers the option of automatic payments through Checking or Credit Cards. These can be made in any amount, with different payment schedules.

Anyone wanting more information can contact our Club Foundation Chair, Mary Sitcoske, or PDG Mike Nailor directly.

Birthdays Dick Higgins, November 22

50-50: Terry Bixler had the winning ticket, but STILL NO WINNING CARD. The Pot is over \$600 – probably closer to \$650, with only 8 cards remaining – The Odds are good so attend and buy tickets!!

TASKS FOR UPCOMING MEETING

December 2

Attendance Table	Mary Sitcoske
Greeter	Frank Peron
50/50 Ticket Seller	Dave Zanis
Invocation	HELP NEEDED

REMINDER – If you are scheduled for a Pre-Meeting Task, Please arrive 20 minutes before the meeting.

PROGRAMS

December 2 – Rotary Business and Fellowship
December 9 – PAHS Chorale – Holiday Concert
December 16 – Students and Reclassification Talk by Mary Sitcoske
December 23 – Adam Hench – The Salvation Army
December 30 - Fellowship

Contact Mike Joyce with program ideas, or better yet organize a program yourself.

Holiday Party is tentatively scheduled for Friday Evening, January 8, 2010 at the Pottsville Club.

MENU

December

- 2 Chicken Picatta with 1 side (salad)
- 9 Fettuccini Alfredo w/garlic bread (salad)
- 16 Salmon with 1 side (salad)
- 23 Caesar Salad (Soup) (dessert)
- 30 Chili over Rice (salad)

December Alternative: tuna salad plate

Please call in to the Pottsville Club to order the Alternative Choice.

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