

THE BIG WHEEL

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Anderson Rotary Club
Anderson, IN 46011

Board Meetings:
4th Monday of the Month
4:30 p.m.

Maplewood Cemetery Board
Room

July Birthdays

6 Charles Shumate
9 Stan Guilkey
9 Sally DeVoe
11 Ed Foggs
11 David Porter
17 Marlene Cary
17 Ann Shoemaker
24 Keith Pitcher
25 Marly Hardy Snyder
25 Pam Jones

July 20, 2010 – President Janet called the meeting to order and John Dick led the Club in the Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and Four Way Test. Annette Craycraft read the Rotary Moment.

JULY 27TH PROGRAM:

**“BUILD BRIDGES – DISTRICT GOVERNOR
SALIM NAJJAR”**



EREY – Every Rotarian Every Year
Helping to fund Peace throughout the World!

Upcoming Programs – Invite a Guest!!!

August 3rd – Kyle Morey, “New Vision for the Chamber of Commerce”
August 10th -- Denise Vogel Wadsworth, “San Marino CA Middle School Rotary Club: Mideract (Denise is originally from Anderson)”

Attendance Report for July 20, 2010

Guests: None

Visiting Rotarians: Mike Kinner

Student Guests: None

Make Ups: Debbie Webb at the Fishers Club

Club Assembly July 20, 2010

Wow!! What a great Club Assembly last week. Thank you for participating in such a positive way...and thank you for all the great ideas. The Board will be meeting on Monday, July 26, and please be assured that your comments/ideas were heard and will be acted upon. Here's an overview of our conversation.

Program & General Comments: We have a membership goal of gaining a net 2 members. We currently have 123 members, yet, our average meeting attendance is around 45%. It was suggested that we think not only of attracting new members, but perhaps more importantly, retaining current members. What steps are we taking to retain members? Other suggestions included doing a better job of mentoring new members and that we publicize and inform members and non-members about the organizations and causes we support. Let's get the word out about the history and future goals of Rotary.

Many spoke about possible ways in which we could meet our goal US \$2,000 for the End Polio Now Campaign – fund raising dinner or event; dollars given for every grandchild; Happy Dollars; and collection “jars” on each table. The Club showed its eagerness in getting started with Happy Dollars totaling \$120.

Several commented on the way in which we contribute to the scholarship fund and would like to see this changed. Historically, the club opted to have a scholarship fee assessed to each member although at one time, the funds had been raised via fund raising events. Perhaps it is time to reconsider...

Service Projects: A preliminary District Simplified Grant has been approved for the building of a Born Learning Trail at Pulaski Park. This would be a partnership between our club, United Way and the Anderson Parks Department. The area surrounding Pulaski Park has a large Hispanic population, so, the Born Learning signs will be bilingual. Mary Jo Lee comment on success of the Halloween Trunk Project and encouraged the club to continue this event. Internationally, we will continue to support the Fisher's “Water Is Life” project in Sierra Leone. The goal is to build 100 wells and 81 have been funded at this time. An application has been submitted to host an incoming exchange student for the 2011-12 school year.

Public Relations: We must get the word out about Rotary! Always wear our Rotary pins and be prepared to tell our story. Continue to improve the newsletter and work on the website. Expand our distribution list and have a few hard copies of the newsletter and website on hand; keep past members on the distribution list. How are we targeting younger members...Twitter, Facebook, etc. Explore possible partnering with the Anderson Morning Club. Perhaps there is a District grant opportunity for publicity purposes?

Let's continue this conversation. If you have anything you would like to add, please let a Board member know.

**Former Scholar
Writes Book about
Katrina**

**Kathleen Koch,
CNN
Correspondent &
Former
Ambassadorial
Scholar**

**Title of Book: *Rising
from Katrina: How
My Mississippi
Hometown Lost It
All and Found What
Mattered***

**Koch mentions
several Rotary
clubs doing their
part to help victims**

**Important for
Scholar alumni to
stay involved in
Rotary**



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