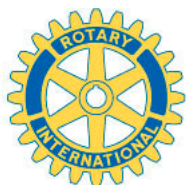


The FAIRFIELD ROTARY CLUB'S DRUMMER

Drummer Notes by: Deb Clancy

Date: March 1, 2010



SERVICE Above Self

Fairfield Rotary Foundation Officers 2009-2010

PRESIDENT Walter Leask
VICE PRESIDENT Marje Tracy
TREASURER Richard Huber
SECRETARY Tim Russell

TRUSTEES: Harry French, Renato Gasparian, Paul Barnes, Doug Williams, Peter Penczer,

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS: Janet Barillari, Gene Richter, Roy Cant, Ernie Karkut, Norma Peterson

Fairfield Rotary Officers 2009-2010

PRESIDENT	Norma Peterson
PRESIDENT-ELECT	Chris Johnson
VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS	Paul Greatsinger
VICE PRESIDENT INTERN'TL SERVICE	Debbie Clancy
VICE PRESIDENT COMMUNITY SERVICE	Ben Williamson
VICE PRESIDENT CLUB SERVICE	Steve Elworthy
VICE PRESIDENT VOCATIONAL SERVICE	Tony Derbyshire
VICE PRESIDENT PUBLIC RELATIONS	Gary Kealey
TREASURER	Janet Barillari
SECRETARY	Art Grob
VICE PRESIDENT ROTARY FOUNDATION	Mike Pida
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	Troy Amuso & Bob Rigilano
DISTRICT GRANT COORDINATOR	Peter Penczer
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	George Markley

MAKE UP MEETINGS IN THE LOCAL AREA

Town	Day	Place	Time
Bridgeport Sunrise	Thursday	Krazy Joe's Cafe	7:45 AM
Bridgeport	Tuesday	Holiday Inn @ 1070 Main Street	12:15 PM
Black Rock-BPT	Tuesday	Dish @ 2889 Fairfield Ave, Black Rock	6:00 PM
Darien	Friday	Darien Public Library	12:15 PM
Devon	Wednesday	Stonebridge Restaurant	7:45 AM
Milford	Thursday	Aldario's Restaurant	12:15 PM
Monroe	Thursday	Whitney Farms Golf Club	7:30 AM
Shelton/Derby	Thursday	Connie's Restaurant	12:15 PM
Stamford	Tuesday	Holiday Inn Select	12:15 PM
Stratford	Tuesday	Oronoque Country Club	12:15 PM
Trumbull	Friday	Trumbull Public Library	7:30 AM
Westport	Tuesday	Inn at Longshore	12:15 PM
Westport Sunrise	Friday	Bobby Q's Barbeque	7:30 AM
Wilton	Friday	Portofino Restaurant	12:15 PM

Check the District web-site for additional Rotary meetings in Connecticut. Check the R.I. website for meetings throughout the world.

Visit Your Club's Website at: <http://www.fairfieldrotary.org>

Visit the Rotary District 7980 Website at: <http://www.rotary7980.org>

Visit the Rotary International Website at: <http://www.rotary.org>



PolioPlus Luncheon: 01/25/10
@ The Fairfield Café
THANK YOU Iso, owner of The Fairfield Cafe

Rotary donates food items to Bridgeport Rescue Mission

Schedule of Events

Event	Date	Time	Location
Celebrity Luncheon w/ Charles Grodin	Mon Mar 8th	12:00 Noon	Fairfield Univ. Student Center
Meeting	Mon Mar 15th	12:15 PM	Gaelic American Club
Meeting	Mon Mar 22	12:15 PM	GAC
Celebrity Luncheon w/ Charles Grodin	Mon Mar. 8th	12:00 Noon	Fairfield Univ. Student Center

Attendance Reminder:

1. PLEASE BE SURE YOU SIGN IN AT EACH MEETING.
2. PLEASE BE SURE TO GIVE CLUB SECRETARY, Art Gob, ALL MAKE-UPS SO THEY CAN BE INCLUDED IN THE ATTENDANCE REPORTS. THESE INCLUDE:
 - VISITING OTHER CLUBS (near and far)
 - ADDITIONAL ROTARY MEETINGS (e.g. any committee or BOD meetings)
 - OTHER ACTIVITIES RELATING TO OUR CLUB (e.g. Read Aloud, cooking at Prospect House or at the Operation Hope Tag Sale, giving rides for Follies, helping out at our Golf Tourney, to name just a few)

GET YOUR MAKE-UP INFORMATION TO ART GROB BY THE END OF EACH MONTH.

aogrob@sbcglobal.net

You are also encouraged to invite your spouse, partners, or family members to attend Rotary functions, including regular luncheon meetings.

Door/ Drummer Duty		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Drummer Duty</u>	<u>Door Duty</u>
03/08/10	CELEBRITY LUNCHEON	@ FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER
03/15/10	Jim Hughes	Georgia Faye Day & Rich Huber
03/22/10	Jim Hughes	Howard Diamond & Roy Cant
03/29/10	Jim Hughes	Mike Dolan & Tom Ballou

If you have door duty, please show up by 12 Noon or sooner to help set-up.

Opening

The meeting was called to order by our President **Norma Peterson**

Maggie Dunnigan led us in the pledge.

Bob Price led us in *My Country Tis of Thee*.

Jim Hisey provided an inspirational prayer.

Guy Hatfield & Jim Hughes handled this week's Door Duty.

NEW FEATURE: WEEKLY QUOTE TO CONSIDER:

“Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle!” *Plato*

NEW FEATURE: WEEKLY ROTARY FOUNDATION THOUGHTS ABOUT *Rotary's Disaster Recovery efforts*:

Pakistani Rotarians are bringing education back into the lives of those in Pakistan and India affected by the earthquake of 2005. In Azad Kashmir more than 80% of the schools were either completely destroyed or badly damaged. The local Disaster Recovery Committee in Pakistan decided to focus on efforts on rebuilding schools. They will help rebuild five new, environmentally-friendly schools equipped with electricity, running water, bathroom facilities, furniture and school supplies. Children and families throughout Azad Kashmir will be profoundly impacted by the efforts of Pakistani Rotarians.

When you choose to support our Rotary Foundation you are making a difference in two ways: you are changing lives and you are literally saving lives. What an amazing thing to be able to say!

Only if *Every Rotarian* makes a gift to the Annual Programs Fund *Every Year*, (EREY) will we be able to continue to do the great work of our Rotary Foundation.

Please contact member *MIKE PIDA* who is this year's V.P. Rotary Foundation for further information and/or if you wish to make a donation to EREY.

NEW FEATURE: NAME THAT MOVIE QUOTE: (Find the answer at end of the Drummer)

"Great moments... are born from great opportunity. And that's what you have here, tonight, boys. That's what you've earned here tonight. One game. If we played 'em ten times, they might win nine. But not this game. Not tonight. Tonight, we skate with them. Tonight, we stay with them. And we shut them down because we can! Tonight, WE are the greatest hockey team in the world. You were born to be hockey players. Every one of you. And you were meant to be here tonight. This is your time. Their time is done. It's over. I'm sick and tired of hearing about what a great hockey team the Soviets have. Screw 'em. This is your time. Now go out there and take it..."

NEW WEEKLY FEATURE: IMPORTANT FOOD ITEMS NEEDED BY OPERATION HOPE:

Please donate some of the following food items by bringing same to our meeting or dropping off same @ the Operation Hope Food Pantry: (NB, if you are a volunteer at Operation Hope Food Pantry, be sure to ask the staff what foods they are lacking and we will try to update our list each week.

- 1. Small bottles of vegetable cooking oil;**
- 2. Salad dressing;**
- 3. Cereal (dry);**
- 4. fresh eggs;**
- 5. Pancake Mix;**
- 6. Pancake syrup;**
- 7. Tuna;**
- 8. Frozen hamburger patties (check @ BJ's or Costco for good prices)**
- 9. Deodorant;**
- 10. Shampoo;**

Guests

Guests today included:

DONALD D'ANDREA-guest of Steve Elworthy

Visiting Rotarians:

CHRISTINA ORLYN of Black Rock Rotary Club

Announcements

FYI: MONROE ROTARY CLUB WILL HOLD A BIG BAND JAZZ NIGHT PERFORMANCE ON SAT. MARCH 6TH @ 8 pm @ MASUK HS; TKTS ARE \$30 (\$25 FOR SENIOR AND STUDENTS). ALL PROCEEDS GO TO HELP SUPPORT MONROE ROTARY CLUB PROJECTS.

Pres-Elect-Chris Johnson seeks volunteers for Fairfield University ROTARACT CLUB meeting; Contact Chris @ loyangalani@gmail.com if you'd like to volunteer.

President Norma Peterson:

1. **Monday March 8th for our Annual Celebrity Luncheon @ FFLD Univ** at which **Charles Grodin** will be our guest speaker.
2. Please come early (10:45/11:00 am) to help set-up;

Jim Hughes advised that we need drivers for the FOLLIES kids starting in March. If interested contact Gary Raytar @ gary_raytar@hotmail.com Please let Gary know your driving preferences as to pick-up or drop-off and which day of week works for you; He will need your e-mail & cell phone #;

Past Pres George Markley made some notes re the upcoming Celebrity Luncheon:

1. So far we have \$15,700 in sponsorships
2. Please **e-mail your guest lists to Bill Llewellyn @ bill@universalprinting4u.com** Tables are set for 8 per table so we will put your multiple tables contiguous if you advise **Bill L** accordingly. You can even tell **Bill L** which guest should sit together-if you have multiple tables;
3. Notify **George or Norma** of any dignitaries who will be acknowledged at the Luncheon;
4. Members please park in new lot at the new **Aloysius Kelly Center**, Use main entrance on North Benson Road-go straight; Parking lot will be on your right; Exit vehicle and walk across road to middle level entrance where registration will be set up;
5. FYI Registration will be on middle level-NOT lower level as in the past; Your guests can park as they have in the past and enter through either lower or middle level;
6. We are seeking and encouraging donations of \$50 to \$150.00;
7. We need and seek VOLUNTEERS. Please contact **Ben Williamson** for assignments @ benwilliamson@jbw1.com
8. SNOW DATE IS WEDNESDAY MARCH 10TH!

Past Pres. George Markley advised that, to date, we have raised over \$1,000 and further explained the Rotary Gift Certificate Program, wherein you can buy script a/k/a pre-paid certificates (in various denominations:\$25, \$50 OR \$100) for your normal household purchases from many local stores including, but not limited to: SHAW'S, STOP & SHOP, PEA POD, CVS, MARSHALLS, TJ MAX, HOMEGOODS, RITEAIDE, WALGREENS, BORDER'S BOOK STORE, etc. plus many hotels &

restaurants. NB: It costs you nada, zippo, zero and our Fairfield Rotary Club will make \$4 per every \$100 sold; It's a great fundraiser so **BRING YOUR CHECKBOOK TO EACH MEETING**. You can also email your orders to George @ GCMarkley@aol.com

Past Pres. John Marshall Lee advised that the newly formed Black Rock Rotary Club will soon schedule its Charter Night; TBA

Peter Penczer thanks all those who donated Gift Certificates for the International Institute.

Past Pres. Bill Llewelyn reminded all that this weekend is "Harmony for Haiti" Talent show being held Friday night March 5th @ FWHS by combined INTERACT CLUBS at both FLHS & FWHS.

New Membership

Please feel free to invite folks whom you believe would make great Rotarians....

Tony Vogel of BSA has submitted an application.

Student Guests

Tierney Larson of FLHS-Senior involved in field hockey, basketball-Captain; Lacrosse; member: Big Brother/Big Sister & Keystone Clubs; plans to attend Marist College;

Randy Walliston (sp?) of FLHS-Senior involved in all things theatrical including shows, acappella group; Assistant Director of Drama Club/program; auditioned @ NYU for theatre program;

Thomas Wolf of FWHS-Senior; Editor in Chief of Year Book; Student representative to FFLD Board of Education; is passionate about Humanities and expects to study same in College; expects to be a double major @ Washington Lee University

Just Because

Steve Elworthy thanked **Ben Williamson** for paying for breakfast last Friday morning @ the Celebrity Luncheon committee meeting;

Mike Pida, who has recently taken over the mortgage dept at The Bank of Fairfield, was happy to advise that he was able to retrieve his 6-year old son Lucas' lost tooth from the drain; He also thanked members for the help & referrals in Mike's search for a new family van to replace the old clunker;

Past Pres-Sheryl Shaughnessey was happy to return from her cruise last week and announced that the St Patrick's Scholarship Dinner will be Monday March 15th;

Immed. Past Pres. George Markley shared a full page ad from last week's USA TODAY that was placed by ROTARY INTERNATIONAL with a large picture of Bishop Desmond Tutu showing that we are "this close" to eradicating Polio in the world with the great help of Rotary.

Pres-Elect Chris Johnson thanked everyone who is working so hard on the success of this year's Celebrity Luncheon, but especially **George Markley**, who again has gone above and beyond to make this event a huge success.

Christina Orlyn of Black Rock Rotary Club thanked our Club, especially **John Marshall Lee**, for all its support in getting the new club up and running.

Patti Felner-Bragano thanked members for their donations to Operation Hope Food Pantry, as needed each week to replenish items that are low on stock. (See list printed above)

Program

This week's speaker **Ernie Rokeach** is a fitness guru/expert whose mission is to make health and fitness a life style change, NOT just a "diet". His presentation was based on The Lies and Myths of Fat Loss.

Some items to consider:

-the Top 3 Lies of Weight Loss

When it comes to losing weight, it's not your fault; you have been lied to: i.e. by the pushing of false products; 68% of Americans are trying to lose or control their weight; Americans spend \$50 Billion Dollars on weight loss products;

1. Deceptive Food Advertising, i.e. "fat free foods", "zero trans fat"; "Sugar Free"; "Low carbs"
2. Infomercial Madness-It's a lot of crock!
3. Fat Loss in a bottle-not FDA approved

Raffle

This week's raffle prize (2 tickets to NYC Decorator's Showcase) was donated by **Susan Stearn** and won by **Christina Orlyn**.

FYI: This week's movie quote was made by Coach Herb Brooks, played by Kurt Russell, in the story of the 1980 USA Ice Hockey Team, which is one of the greatest moments in sports history. TEAM USA was then comprised of young college age "boys" (average age 21) who went on the beat the Soviets and then Finland to win the 1980 Gold metal, as depicted in this 2004 movie: **MIRACLE**

PLEASE TRY TO SOLICIT & DELIVER SOME GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES TO OUR CLUB FOR FUTURE DRAWINGS...IF YOU HAVE EVER WON THE RAFFLE BEFORE, PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION FOR NEXT WEEK'S RAFFLE AS WE ARE DIRE NEED OF FINE ITEMS.