



Rotary Club of McLean eWheel

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

Club #5817

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Agenda - November 19, 2013

by Zavela, Vance S.

Noon – Meeting Call to Order

Greeter – Dominic Alexander
Song - Vance Zavela
Pledge - Tom Mangan
Invocation – Dominic Alexander
Happy Talk - Bob Rosenbaum
50/50 Raffle – Bob Jansen
4-way test - Thammir Al'Hashimi

12:20 Begin Program

Welcome guests and visiting Rotarians – Sergeant At Arms
Announcements
Happy Talk

12:40 pm – Speaker

1:15 pm - Adjourn

Program - November 12, 2013

by Danner, Pamela Beck

Glenn Yarborough introduced speaker **Chuck Davidson, Past District Governor**, graduate of the Citadel, and a PHD awardee in nuclear chemistry from Florida State. Chuck spoke about the RI Foundation and described the changes in procedures. He noted that, when you give \$1 to RI, that dollar is held for three years and the interest on it pays the administrative expenses of the foundation. Thus, every dollar donated results in one dollar of projects. Of that dollar, fifty cents stays with RI for the world fund, and fifty cents returns to the district for projects funded at that level.

Matching Grants are now called Global Grants. The minimum grant is \$30,000, whereas Matching Grants had a minimum of \$15,000. He praised the McLean club for the way it leveraged its \$3,000 to fund a \$22,500 project in Aegina, Greece to purchase computers for students. Besides the McLean funding, the Great Falls club contributed \$2,000, District 7610 \$3,000, the host club in Greece \$2,000, the host district in Greece \$3,000, and RI \$9,500.

District Simplified Grants (DSG) are now called District Grants. The district in the past could use no more than 20% of its funding for these grants. Now it can use up to 50%. In 2012 clubs requesting a DSG received about \$1,000 from the district. Seventeen projects were awarded funding. In 2013, clubs received \$2,000 each, there were 28 projects, and the total allocated was \$85,000.

Ambassadorial scholars are now called global scholars. Grants can be for one to four years, there must be a host sponsor in the host country to look after the scholar, and the scholar must receive admission to the respective university. The district has more administrative responsibility for these scholarships than previously.

The Peace Fellow program continues. Fifty are selected worldwide for master's programs and fifty for professional development certification. District 7610 has had six fellows in the last eleven years, and already has two candidates for this year, one each from the Great Falls and Falls Church clubs. Applications are due in May 2014.

There is a new district grant scholarship program. The district is still working on the criteria for the scholarships. Because many clubs already award academic scholarships, the district is considering short-term, more vocational, funding.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/15 Helen Hergenroeder
11/20 Bob Jansen
11/26 Jan Auerbach

Future Speakers

Nov 19 2013

Mr. Vic Price
*"Life as a Minor League
Baseball Player"*

Nov 26 2013

Mr. Fabio Bonini
"Ball Room Dancing"

Dec 10 2013

Vance S. Zavela
"Tomorrow's McLean"

Visiting Rotarians

Shannon Owens
Michael Arietti
Jackie Armstrong

Guests

Betsy Schatz (Langley
Residential Support
Services)

50/50 Raffle
Dale Lazar won the small pot of \$18.

Upcoming Events

Pick Up Food for Trees Christmas Tree
Dec 7 2013 - Dec 8 2013

Group Study Exchange has been replaced by Vocational Training Teams. Michelo is an example of a train the trainer vocational team. GSE exchanges had to be two-way but the new teams can be one-way.

Announcements - November 12, 2013

by Danner, Pamela Beck

Vance Zavela announced that Winterfest, to be held on Sunday, December 1, needs 8-10 volunteers to serve as parade marshals and crowd control. He asked members with offices to take and put up posters announcing the event. He said there is a need for a flatbed truck to be used by a singing group in the parade.

Jan Auerbach said the deadline to sign up to order a tree from Food for Trees has been extended to next Sunday, November 17. Go to www.foodfortrees.org to sign up.

President Dale Lazar said the Great Falls club has invited us to join them in a Happy Hour on November 14 from 6-8 PM at L'Auberge Chez Francois.

Bob Jansen said that the Chantal, Haiti water sanitation project is asking everyone to pay \$10 to help them reach their financial goal. He will send an email to all members shortly.

Glenn Yarborough thanked the Monte Carlo chairs: Vance Zavela, Debbie Jackson, Dana Sippel, Cherry Baumbusch, and Jan Auerbach for their efforts to make Monte Carlo Night a success. He said 28 members from our club volunteered that night.

John Rosenbaum asked for donations to send a Shelterbox to the Philippines to help in disaster relief. He will send an email to all members about making a donation.

Michael DeRose is organizing another blood drive next Thursday.

Kathy Martin asked for \$20 donations from each member for Adopt-a-Family and books for Kidstretch.

President Dale Lazar reminded everyone of our holiday party at The Colonies on Friday, December 6 at 7 PM. He asked everyone to bring a bottle of liquor to share with other guests.

Pamela Danner mentioned that we will have our annual \$10 or less gift exchange on December 17.

John McEvilly and **Michael DeRose** presented a check for \$1,000 to Betsy Schatz for Langley Residential Support Services. Betsy noted that yesterday marked her 25th anniversary with the organization.

Happy Talk - November 12, 2013

by Danner, Pamela Beck

John Rosenbaum announced the birth of his son, Benton Oliver, last Friday night. Mother Darcy and son are doing well.

Bob Nath was happy to be early for next week's meeting.

John McEvilly was in Brooklyn last weekend to help celebrate his granddaughter's first birthday on November 9. He watched her eat and wear a birthday cupcake.

Matt Howard missed Monte Carlo Night in order to attend the Langley/McLean football game. As the father of a McLean player, he was disappointed to present the Rotary Cup to Langley. He said the game was closer than the score reflected and he was proud of his son's team's accomplishments this year.

Bill Stell was happy to be present on a day our club celebrated its 48th year anniversary. He was happy to be here at all, given that he spent his 91st birthday in the hospital. He auctioned off the bolo tie he was wearing to raise funds for disaster relief. **Bob Rosenbaum** was the winning bidder at \$100.

Dale Lazar didn't think he would make the meeting today because he was teaching a class downtown from 10-12. The class ended a half hour early so he was able to join us.

Chuck Davidson was happy to be with us today.

Obie O'Bryon spent the last two weekends in New York City chaperoning students. One weekend was for UN Day, noting that Rotary helped found the UN. He saw a Broadway play where two actors played all 15 characters.

Vance Zavela reported that his daughter's softball team ended the season on the wrong end of a rout by a more experienced team but, otherwise, it was a very successful season.

Michael DeRose was happy to keep spaghetti sauce off his shirt for the presentation of the check to Langley Residential Support Services (LRSS). He said that 17 years ago he joined a number of organizations but narrowed them down to the two that mean the most to him: Rotary and LRSS.