

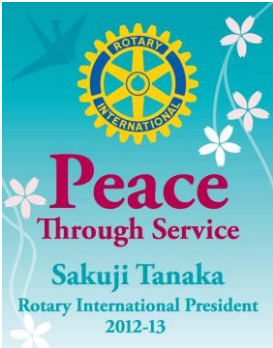
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<p>Wednesday, March 20, 2013 Head Table: Gordon Ropp & Jim Rosenlund Greeters: Nancy Brokaw & Ed Tanton Lottery: Michelle Houchin & Lindsey Henry Invocation: Connie Gentry Program: ISU President Al Bowman Judge: Ann Haugo</p> <p>Wednesday, March 27, 2013 Head Table: Students of the Month Greeters: Bill Caisley & Hank Campbell Lottery: Meghan Listek & Stephanie McClellan Invocation: Mark Comadena Program: Normal City Manager Mark Peterson Judge: John E. Bishop</p>		 <p>Sustaining Members: 23 Club RI Contributions: \$19,266.68</p>
<p>Reporter: Jim Carter</p>	<p>Photographer: Becky Goeckner</p>	



Early Arrivers: Keenan Hollywood, Gordon Ropp, Alan Chapman, Mark Sherman & Dick Wagner



Arriving & checking in with Secretary Ralph Dude – Roger Weller & Art Runyon



President Art Drake

Presiding – President Art Drake; Reflection – Marcia Dennis reading from the book *The Crayon Box*; her reflection was consistent with this month's push for Literacy where we either feed the Pig our pocket change or bring books for children.

Matt Riehle was at the head table showing he is back with us after recovering from a major operation. Art reported the Board allocated \$1,000 to the Nigerian School project proposed by Bayo Adanri.

Visiting Rotarians – Eric Schlipf and Sig Enger from the Daybreak Club and Jeff Paxton from the Sunrise. The Daybreak folks were promoting their Cajun Craze event April 13.



Eric Schlipf



Sig Enger



Jeff Paxton & his neighbor Elleke Mesdag



NCCHS student and host – Linda Healy told about Rachel Hile-Broad whom she has known for many years.



NCWHS student and host – Turner Reid was here today and Mark Comadena got to tell us about him.



U-High student and host – Wesley Ward and Roger Weller had Wesley Ward tell us about his many service activities.



Bloomington Area Career Center student and host – Keenan Hollywood and John A. Bishop had Keenan Hollywood tell us about his jazz band activities.



Amy Aalberts, a grad student in Social Work was back observing us as a service club as a guest of Bruce Bergethon.

Announcement: We need to be at the Daybreak Chartering Event, June 8, Noon-4, at the Ropp Farm for the official chartering of the Daybreak Club, which we sponsored.

A New Member and a New Paul Harris Fellow:



Dr. Larry Dietz was inducted as a new member. He is VP of Student Affairs at ISU and was a Rotarian when he was at SIU – Carbondale.



Mark Comadena was awarded his first Paul Harris Fellowship.

Jim Carter presented a banner from the Antigua, Guatemala Club. He told about the great experience of making up at that Club: it is a club of about 30 members; it was their 65th Anniversary meeting; there was a Friendship Exchange group of 7 couples there from District 5550 in central Canada; a PDG from Wisconsin was there to help with a water project; three persons from Park City, UT, were there on a project and they note they bring Interactors with them when they come; a physician from Switzerland was there for their project on cleft palette restoration. This is a very active club and they now have a banner from the Only Normal Rotary Club in World.



Mystery Host – Meghan Listek gave \$2 to Mark Comadena for his basketball pool fund raiser.



Judge – Bruce Bergethon; the Lottery winner was Mark Jontry who subbed for Lindsey Henry and did a good job of selling tickets today.

Happy fines –were few in number but appreciated.



Alan Chapman is chairing the District Conference at the Uptown Normal Marriott Hotel & Convention Center on April 19-20. We host the conference because District Governor Gordon Bidner is from our Club. As hosts as well as good Rotarians we have every reason to be at the Conference. Mark the dates and plan to sign up. You can download the Registration form from the District web page or print it from the March District Newsletter. There is no charge for the sessions only the meals.

When you register consider buying one or more extra meals which we provide for young guests and visitors.

Today's SmArt remark is from Bryan White: *"We never really grow up. We only learn how to act in public."*

Did you hear these Rotarians? Do you know the topic of his/her announcement? The first one to e-mail Becky Goeckner rsgoeck@ilstu.edu with the correct answers will be the winner of a prize!



Marcia Dennis



Andy Copenhaver



Mark Comadena



Gene Jontry



John A. Bishop



Meghan Listek

REMEMBER the following upcoming dates:

April 13 - Daybreak's Cajun Craze at Lakeside Country Club

April 18 – Rosati's Pizza Fundraiser at Rosati's in North Normal

April 19/20 - District 6490 Conference at the Marriott in Uptown Normal (Also, please consider supporting the district conference April 18/19 through a sponsorship banner, or even a business card ad. See Hank Campbell)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

March 20 – ISU President Al Bowman

March 27 - Normal City Manager Mark Peterson

April 3 – Club Business & Birthday Auction

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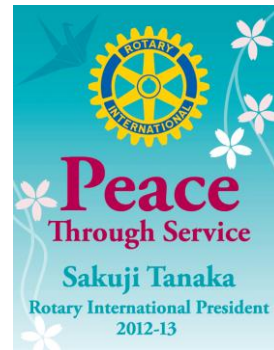
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