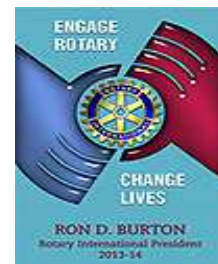




ROTA-BITS



SERVICE ABOVE SELF

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October is Vocational Service Month in the Rotary International Calendar.

LAST MEETING

Reported by Elfie Roman

The Sept. 26th meeting of Mentor Rotary was called to order by President John.

Prayer: Curt Jones led us in thanks for the beautiful weather, Browns victory, and safety forces that are ever vigilant....but, what about the Tribe???

RotaBuck: Winner Jack Butler did not draw the Queen, nor come up with the secret word.

Announcements President John thanked Vickie Curtis, Mary Ann Blakeley and the crew that staffed the Bone Marrow registration drive at Lakeland Community College, which yielded 55 new sign-ups.

Last year our "200" goal for sign-ups was surpassed with a total of 232 sign-ups. Our goal this year will remain at 200.

Each new registration/test costs \$105.00, of which Mentor Rotary picks up 50%.

President John also shared an updated November calendar (including the OSU-Michigan game on Nov. 30th), which will be sent out via e-mail shortly.

Vickie Curtis introduced an expanded initiative for recognizing Rotarians who everyday go "above and beyond". Today's coin of recognition was presented to Mary Ann Blakeley for her facilitation of the LCC Bone Marrow registration drive.

Presentation Michelle Johnson introduced presenter Frank Reimholz of CTM (Communication Technologies Management) with impressive business and personal accolades.



Frank Reimholz communicating with Mentor Rotarians. Photo by Dan Welker.

Frank's presentation focused on "Does Communication Technology REALLY need to be so complicated?" and included discussion of:

Multitudinous confusing technology acronyms

Comparison of analog and digital lines for service delivery

Current technology trends

Market options based on the location of your business/organization

Contract duration

Frank introduced a new trend and acronym for the future...SIP or Session Initiated Protocol being internet traffic calls which currently account for a 14% market saturation, but estimated to grow dramatically to 50% saturation by 2015.

The popularity and growth of SIP is attributed to a significant and immediate cost savings of at least 30%, additional to greater flexibility

in usage.

Frank concluded with the strong recommendation that Communication Technology NEVER be purchased from a commissioned salesperson, who is motivated to oversell features and contract length.

The complexity of today's topic is underscored by the brevity of the minutes...thankfully, fellow Rotarian Michelle Johnson is available to answer any questions at any time!

President Solich concluded the meeting with enthusiastic kudos for our home team...**GO TRIBE!!!!**

CORRECTION

Last week's RotaBits noted incorrectly, under upcoming, events that the October 11 Oktoberfest would be at Lake Farmarks. It will actually be at the Lake Metroparks Environmental Learning Center. Directions to the Center are as follows:

Driving Directions to the Environmental Learning Center

Directions: From I-90, take State Route 44 south to Auburn Road; turn left and proceed 0.3 mile; turn right onto Concord-Hambden Road. Continue one mile to stop sign at Ravenna Road. Continue straight on Concord-Hambden for 0.4 mile to Alexander Road and turn left; drive 0.3 mile to park entrance (on the left).

JOCOE'S JOURNAL

Tech Support: "I need you to right-click on the Open Desktop."

Customer: "Ok."

Tech Support: "Did you get a pop-up menu?"

Customer: "No."

Tech Support: "Ok. Right click again. Do you see a pop-up menu?"

Customer: "No."

Tech Support: "Ok, sir. Can you tell me what you have done up until this point?"

Customer: "Sure, you told me to write 'click' and I wrote click'."

A little boy came home eating a big candy bar. Seeing the candy bar, his mother remembered he had already spent all his allowance money. Surprised, she asked him where he got it.

"I bought it at the store with the dollar you gave me," he said.

"But that *dollar* was for Sunday School," his mother replied.

Smiling, the boy said, "I know, Mom, but the Pastor met me at the door and got me in for free!"

UPCOMING EVENTS.

October 3 – John Boros, Assure Vaule

October 7 – Woodworking at Broadmoor School

October 10, 2013- No Meeting- Meeting Changed to October 11, 2013-

October 11 - Oktoberfest at Lake Metroparks Environmental Learning Center, 6:30PM to 9:30PM

October 17 – District Governor Bob Johnson, State of the District and our membership

October 24 - Off-Site- Lake County Historical Society

October 31 – Hope Chest and Project Amigo

November 4 -Woodworking at Broadmoor School

November 7 – Veteran's Day Lunch, Diana Ross Vet Mom

November 14 – Learning About Business, Lake Erie College

November 21 – Lake Health System, History – Michael K/Greg Sanders.

November 28 – Thanksgiving, No Meeting

November 30 – OSU/Michigan Football game.

December 5 – Heritage Brass

December 9 - Woodworking at Broadmoor School

December 12 – Annual Kids Party Farmpark and Bowling.

December 19 – Off Site Meeting, Freedom Corp. 8990 Tyler Blvd.

December 26 – Holiday, No meeting

January 6 - Woodworking at Broadmoor School

February 3 - Woodworking at Broadmoor School

March 10 – Woodworking at Broadmoor School

April 7 - Woodworking at Broadmoor School

May 12 - Woodworking at Broadmoor School

BIRTHDAYS

October 16 – Vickie Wildeman

October 17 – Joe Gibson

October 23 – Bill Robertson

If I have missed anyone, please call 257-9827 or email d.grose@sbcglobal.net

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do... Is it the Truth?

Is it Fair to all concerned?

Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?

Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

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MEETING MAKE-UPS

Following are a few nearby Rotary Club meeting sites and times for make-ups;

MONDAY

Willoughby at Dino's in Willoughby at 12:00 PM

TUESDAY

Painesville at Hellreigel's Inn at 12:00 Noon.

WEDNESDAY

Burton-Middle field at Welshfield Inn Banquet Hall, 14001 Main Market Rd., Burton, at 7:00PM

Cleveland East at Nighttown Restaurant 12387 Cedar Road Cleveland Hts. At Noon.

THURSDAY

Cleveland at Windows on the River in the Flats, Bridge View Room, Third Floor, Windows on the River, Powerhouse. Nautica Entertainment Complex, 2000 Sycamore at 12:00

FRIDAY

Chagrin Highlands (Beachwood area): at Mitchell's Fish Market, 28601 Chagrin Blvd., Woodmere (at Eton Square).