

Rotary News

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Letter From President Steve

HAPPY NEW YEAR ROTARIANS - AND WELCOME TO YEAR 2006! It is hoped that your holiday season was filled with good times and good cheer with lots of family and friends. It was for me, plus I had the chance to get some needed rest. It also gave me a chance to reflect on the past six months of our Rotary year. The last six months of 2005 was filled with activity. We started in July with the announcement that our club would be involved in a Dictionary Project

as a part of promoting literacy in our community - one of the main goals of Rotary throughout the world. We had two separate programs on literacy. A nice partnership was formed with both the Wabash Valley Community Foundation and the Vigo County School Corporation so that 85 members from our club could distribute 3,700 dictionaries to third, fourth and fifth graders in our community. I have had calls from a number of clubs wanting to know how we did this so successfully. Most of the credit

for this success goes to fellow Rotarians, Beth Tevlin, Mike Collins and Sally Stewart. In September, we had, what I believe to be a first of its kind, a program designed to inform members about Rotary International and to educate potential Rotarians on the benefits of becoming a Rotarian. It was titled, *Rotary 101*. Former District Governor, Tom Branum, provided a very entertaining presentation about Rotary. As a result, we had 14 potential members in (Letter Con't, pg 4)

BOARD ELECTION RESULTS & PROPOSED OFFICIERS

Members elected to serve on the board of directors beginning July 1, 2006—June 30, 2008 are:

- David Bolk
- Bryan Sponsler
- Pat O'Leary, Jr
- Mary Caye Pfister
- Dan DeBard
- Santhana Naidu

Board Officers proposed for Rotary year 2006-07 are:

- President: Tom Dever
- President-elect: Paul Stanley
- Vice-president: Kim Ingalsbe
- Secretary: Stephanie Welsh
- Treasurer: Linda Stanley

January Birthdays

- 2 Pam Weber
- 5 Lisa Pepperworth
- 9 Jerry Mansfield
- 10 Jack Newman &
Steve Williams
- 13 Bob Wiemuth
- 20 Wayne Rockmore
- 21 Dave Myers
- 22 Dale McKee
- 23 Pat Ralston
- 24 Lori Leo
- 25 Lauren Toffalo
- 28 Curt Pendergast
- 29 Mike Farr & Vern Fellows



Amendment to club bylaws, Section 2.1:

In order for members to be included on the election ballot, he or she must have been a member prior to 12-31 of the previous year and be a member in good standing (at least a 60% attendance average) as of June 30 in the year of voting

Board Meeting Notes and Actions

Approved: **New member** Richard Pittelkow, financial consultant proposed by Dan DeBard.

Leave of Absence granted to Sharon Pattison.

Attendance: December 72.6%
Year to Date is 71%

Membership: 137 members

Treasurer's Report: As of 12/31, Club Assets equal \$21,915.63
Foundation Assets equal \$48,866.70. Happy jar balance is \$27 after a \$500 contribution to the United Way.
Total contributions to both local and international foundations are \$10,747.76.

Bill Tennis announced that the Rotary club attendance information is on our website at www.wvgoodwill.org/attendance/attendance.pdf
For program info via phone, call 234-5271. When prompted enter 84#.

Kudos to Members with Attendance 90% plus in first six months of Rotary year

Bill Aubin
Nancy Bauer
David Bolk
Rod Bosley
Frances Campbell
Bart Colwell
Mike Collins
Tom Dever
Mike Hopper
Joyce Keenan
Mark Kester
David Mitchell
Mike Morris

Santhana Naidu
Lisa Pepperworth
Ray Rickert
Tom Roberts
Brian Ross
Gary Schomer
Chuck Shutt
Tom Siefert
Steve Songer
Linda Stanley
Paul Stanley
Bill Tennis

Beth Tevlin
Bill Tromble
Adrian Tudorica
Milt Van Reed
Stephanie Welsh
Charlie Williams

31 members have attendance between 80-89%. To improve your standing do a make-up at another club, attend a board meeting, or go on line at www.rotary5450.org

Terre Haute Club Committees

Club Service.....Joyce Keenan
 Bulletin.....Ray Brauer, Joyce Keenan
 Fellowship.....Sally Stewart
 Program..... Bill Tromble, Todd Sullivan
 Public Relations..... Dave Piker
 Web Site.....Bill Tennis
 Invocations.....Bart Colwell
 Membership.....Charlie Williams
 Classifications..... Tom Dever, Mike Hoper
 Orientation.....Lee Ann Crooks, Allen Varner
Community Service.....Paul Stanley
 Interact.....Janice Adkins, Marty Woods

Environmental Protection.....
 Santhana Naidu,/Brian Ross
 Blood Drive.....Rick Kohr
 Goodwill Drive.....Bill Aubin
 Salvation Army.....Sally Stewart/Mike Morris
Foundation/Paul Harris.....Craig McKee
 Ten for one club.....Craig McKee
 Paul Harris Awards.....Stephanie Welsh
 Community Grants.....David Bolk
International Service.....Dave Mitchell
Vocational Service.....Brian Miller

2005-2006 Officers and Board Members

President.....Steve Songer
 President-elect.....Tom Dever
 Vice-President.....Paul Stanley
 Secretary.....Stephanie Welsh
 Treasurer.....Linda Stanley
 Attendance.....Kim Ingalsbe
 Past President.....Lisa Pepperworth
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Mike Collins

2004-2006
 Bill Aubin
 David Bolk
 Lee Akers
 Joyce Keenan
 Brian Miller
 Alice Shagley

2005-2007
 Mike Collins
 Bart Colwell
 Kim Ingalsbe
 Chuck Shutt
 Sally Stewart
 Charlie Williams

MISSED MEETINGS are easy to make up by attending another club’s meeting; coming to a board meeting (first Monday of each month at the Goodwill Offices); doing a service project; attending a committee meeting; or going on-line, reading an interesting article about Rotary and answering a question or two.

Make-up Locations

Monday:

Paris Noon Cafe` France
 Princeton Noon Gibson
 General Hospital

Tuesday:

Marshall 6:45 am Family

Casey Noon Richards Farm
 Indianapolis Noon Athletic Club
 Sullivan Noon Sullivan Elks Club

Wednesday:

Rockville 7:15 am Terre Vin Winery
 Brazil Noon Elks Club

Greencastle Noon Walden Inn
 Linton Noon Elks Club

Plainfield Noon Kristy's Club

Thursday:

Terre Haute 7:00 am Holiday Inn

ON LINE MAKEUPS AT:

www.rotary5450.org.

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/throtary.htm](http://www.wvgoodwill.org/throtary.htm)

Letter from President Steve, continued:

the audience for an excellent program. Membership Chair, Charlie Williams, did a great job of planning for this event.

October was Vocational Services month. Brian Miller, our Vocational Services Chair, and Neil Garrison took a few minutes each week to make presentations about the Four Way Test, Rotary Ethics for businesses and professionals, and Rotary Categories. We concluded the month with Brian presenting our Vocational Service Award to Gary Morris.

Craig McKee started Rotary Foundation Month with a very informative presentation about the Rotary Foundation. We promoted the idea "*Every Rotarian, Every Year!*" This idea promotes the goal of every Rotarian giving at least \$100 every year. Much was discussed about the projects and scholarships Rotary funds throughout the world. We concluded November with nearly \$6,000 in grants from our own club foundation being awarded to charitable organizations in our community. David Bolk chairs our Grant Committee and made the presentations on November 29.

Our Club Board also voted to fund a water project in Boliva and to add an amendment to our Club By-Laws that would set eligibility standards in order for members to be on the ballot for voting for the Board of Directors.

Once again this year, we had successful efforts with the Goodwill Drive and ringing the bells for the Salvation Army. Bill Aubin chaired the Goodwill project while Sally Stewart organized the bell ringing for our club. And I should not forget the good work that Bill Tromble and Todd Sullivan are doing with the Program Committee. As a result, we have had great programs that have helped fill the room for lunch.

I think we have accomplished a lot in our first

six months. To quote David Mitchell, "We have done far more than any club with which he has been involved." David has been in a lot of clubs and has a lot of Rotary experience. As President, I am most pleased with the participation from club members and their willingness to help and assume responsibilities. Members seem more interested and involved when everyone is participating in a project. There also seems to be a better understanding of Rotary when members commit *to Service above Self*. Now for 2006. We can have a fabulous Rotary year if we do as much as we have in the past six months. I know we have some great speakers on the schedule and programs to help create more awareness for Rotary International. For instance, February is *World Peace Month* for Rotarians. David Mitchell, our International Service Chair, is planning at least one program in February that will involve international students from area colleges.

We are one of the few clubs in Indiana that does not have a fund raising project. I know that the Brazil club raises a lot of money with its Fourth of July event. We would not have to do something that dynamic, but we do have a committee examining the possibilities. The funds raised could go to our on Club Foundation so that we could help more people in our own community. We could also get a lot of positive publicity for our club.

Finally, we need to continue our recruiting efforts in order to reach our goal for this Rotary year. Who do you know that should be a Rotarian? If you have never recruited a new Rotarian in your tenure, please do so? Recruiting is the lifeblood of any successful organization and it can be a life changing experience for someone.

My best wishes for continued good health, wealth and wisdom in 2006.

Steve Songer
President