

RAPIDS RIPPLES

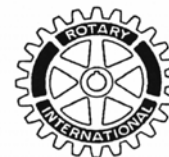
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Today's Program

Club No. 2723
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Rotarian: Nick Brazeau
Program: Our Picture Post-Card Past — Part 2
Speaker: Paul Gross

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR SYNOPSIS OF YOUR PROGRAM TO THE SECRETARY PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM. Thank You.

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| October 6, 2008 | Rotarian: Tom Cahill
Program: Live United
Speaker: Tari Jahns & Dave Mueller |
| October 13, 2008 | Rotarian: Patricia Cahill
Program: Oxford House: A Drug & Alcohol Free Home—Do We Need One Here?
Speaker: Residents of Oxford House |
| October 20, 2008 | CLUB ASSEMBLY |
| October 27, 2008 | Rotarian: Page Clark
Program: Brazil
Speaker: Carolina Batista, International Youth Exchange Student |

REMINDER: Sign and Initial the LUNCH REGISTRATION. Thank you.

PAST PROGRAM:

September 22, 2008: **Rotarian:** Mitch Biba
Program: Mobile Computing
Speaker: Mark Swanson

Mobile Computing is the ability to use technology while moving, as opposed to portable computers, which are only practical for use while deployed in a stationary configuration. The first major mobile computing device was the Palm Pilot introduced in 1996, followed by the Blackberry in 2002. These devices integrated a calculator, address book, calendar, notes, email, instant messaging, and a cell phone into one device that fits in a pocket. Last year Apple introduced the iPhone which added easy-to-use photo browsing, digital camera, stocks, Google maps, weather, music, home videos, tv shows, feature length movies, games, satellite navigation, and web browsing. In addition, companies other than Apple can write software that runs on the iPhone which opens this device up for thousands of additional applications.

The key to mobile computing is the ability for the user to quickly power on, access the needed information, then power off, ideally in 5 seconds or less. This type of access is fundamentally different from stand PC access and requires new types of applications or a "rethinking" of current ones. Some activities (like editing a spreadsheet) do not translate well to mobile computing and are better suited to traditional PC computing.

Nearly 10 million iPhones have been sold in a little more than a year since its introduction. The most recent version sold one million units in a weekend. This makes it a substantial computing platform today. Leading companies are looking for ways to offer their products and services in the mobile space, while many technology companies are scrambling to catch up and get in on this new wave known as mobile computing.

MEETINGS: EVERY MONDAY AT 11:45 AM, HOTEL MEAD

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Make Dreams Real

2008—2009 RI Theme

HONORARY ROTARIAN:

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None

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Mark Swanson
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GUEST OF

Club—speaker
Patti Cahill
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Mike Mehr

MAKE-UPS:

Mike Zurfluh	9/15	On Line
Al Bardole	9/15	Board Meeting-9/8
Connie Loden	8/28	W.R. Sunrise

FREE LUNCH: (Strike thru means Club Wins)

John Steele

YOUTH ROTARS for SEPTEMBER:

Hayden Leger	Lincoln High School
Angela Stensberg	Lincoln High School
Ethan Frost	Lincoln High School
Emily Bender	Assumption High School
Jamie Kutella	Port Edwards High School
Rebecca Lynn Behr	Nekoosa High School

HAPPY CUP:

\$13.00 on 9/22/08



ROTARY MEMORIES:

****10 Years Ago This Week.....***

Today's Program – Presentations regarding the United Way in the past were heavily laden with facts, statistics, tragedies, personal and/or known accounts involving citizens of our community and the United Way agencies. Bob Rindo's presentation, "United Way '98 – Profound and Memorable" took on an entirely different twist. It was entertaining and motivational. In his presentation, he told three stories involving personal experiences in his life, unrelated to the United Way. He ended each story with this statement, "profound, memorable – I like to think so." He then linked his story to the profound and memorable happenings within the United Way by cleverly (yet briefly) weaving in facts as to how we, the people of South Wood County are the United Way. Bob concluded his presentation by asking, "Please give generously to this year's campaign. It's the Profound thing to do, and it will be Memorable."

****25 Years Ago This Week.....***

Today's Program – Bill Quinn introduced Dick Blackburn, Wood County Child Support Administrator, who spoke on "The IV-D Program in Wisconsin." Dick made it clear that he is not the Dept. of Social Services in that it is his job to "take money rather than give it." It is mandated that every state must have a child support agency and in Wisconsin this is accomplished by contracting with counties to provide this service. The aim of the agency is to get the non-custodial parent to share the responsibility for the costs of child support. The money recouped lowers the welfare costs of the county in that welfare receipts to a family are decreased by an amount equal to that recouped. The Wood County agency showed an actual \$68,000 profit in 1981 and \$85,000 in 1982.

**** 65 Years Ago This Week.....***

Report on Questionnaire – The Membership Committee received fifteen answers to the three questions submitted for information. On the number of members or ideal size of the club. The answers seem to call for a club of about 48 members or more. On the method of increase, the majority favored a gradual increase, and calling for quality. The answers on why they belonged to Rotary, all showed they have an understanding of what Rotary stands for and then followed up with the good fellowship angle and the rubbing of elbows once a week.

Your secretary (Carl Billmeyer) was at Camp McCoy the other day and the mess sergeant said I could eat with them if I could stand the grub. The grub was good, but "Oh" the coffee was terrible.

SHARE ROTARY

Invite a friend
to your next
club meeting!

MAKE-UP at the following area clubs:

- Boy Scout Troop 105 Meetings, Huntington House, Lower Level
2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- Greater Portage County, Comfort Suites,
300 N Division St., Stevens Point, Friday 7:00 a.m.
- Stevens Point Noon, Stevens Point Country Club, Wednesday Noon
- W.R.Sunrise:Hotel Mead,Wisconsin Rapids; Thursdays 7:00 a.m.
- Marshfield Breakfast:Best Western, Marshfield; Thursday 7:00 a.m.
- Marshfield Lunch:Best Western, Marshfield; Monday Noon
- Wausau Breakfast:The Rose Garden, Wausau; Thursday 7:00 a.m.
- Wausau Lunch: Jefferson Street Inn, corner of 2nd Street & Jefferson, Wausau; Monday Noon
- Waupaca Breakfast:Waupaca CC; Monday 7:15 a.m.
- Appleton Breakfast:Riverview CC; Monday 7:15 a.m.
- Appleton Noon:Paper Valley Hotel; Tuesday Noon