

Valley View Rotary Update

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Program:

Dean Dickinson, District Governor

Dean provided us an excellent opportunity to contemplate a wider view of Rotary and what it means to be a Rotarian. Dean's biography, his leadership and the talk he gave were inspirational and truly reflect the Rotary spirit! His talk should also help to properly set the stage for next week's program; Dave Trapp is speaking about the Foundation and Dar Isaacson and Sue Dillenbeck about the Rotary Works Foundation.

We had a great turnout for his visit, thank you all and also thanks to the board members who were able to meet with Dean after our regular meeting!

Announcements:

Rotarians at Work Day

The District Governor is asking clubs in the district to identify a community service project that they can complete on the last Saturday of April or one of the first two Saturdays in May. It is preferred that the clubs do a larger, more visible project, possibly work in some publicity and/or partner with a youth group, and then have some sort of fellowship gathering afterwards. The project plan must be submitted to district by January 1st. Rosalie, our Community Service Chair, will be rallying the Community Service Committee to get ideas and come up with a plan.

Rotary Lights

The 15th Annual Rotary Lights, "A Million Mississippi Reflections", opens the Friday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 27th with the downtown parade at 5:00 pm.

Valley View Rotary will again have the float in the parade. Terry Bauer will be coordinating the parade and float arrangements. We will need approximately 10 volunteers to walk the parade route and to pass out candy and good cheer.

There is no all day Rotary-wide work day at the park this year; however, there are three days that our Club is to provide volunteers for the project. Jim Warren will be passing around volunteer sign up sheets the next few weeks for the following dates:

11/21 Valley View Rotary Set-up Day at Rotary Lights, Saturday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (10 people needed)

12/5 Valley View Rotary Work Night at Rotary Lights, Saturday, 4:30 pm – 10:30 pm (20 people needed)

1/3 Valley View Rotary Take-down Day at Rotary Lights, Sunday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm (10 people needed)

Rotar Rooter

Thanks to Sue Dillenbeck, November Rotar Rooter, for arranging ahead of time for Terry Bauer to do the Rooting this week. Terry – you did a great job!

Upcoming Programs

11/11 Rotary Foundation (RI and Rotary Works)

November is Rotary Foundation Month. Dave Trapp, Area Foundation Coordinator will speak about the Rotary International Foundation. Our own Dar Isaacson and Sue Dillenbeck will provide us with information about the Rotary Works Foundation.

11/18 Pamela Maas Classification Talk

11/25 Rich Petro

12/2 Steve Woessener

12/9 Carol Ebert

12/16 No morning meeting – Christmas Party that night

12/23 Classic Car Raffle Information Session

12/30 Club Assembly

November Assignments:

Programs: Tom Kelbel & Judith Erickson (filled in for Bob Olson)
Rooter: Sue Dillenbeck
Greeter: Cheryl Gill
Invocation: Dar Isaacson
Take Down: Community Service

Dates to Remember:

11/21 Valley View Rotary Set-up Day at Rotary Lights, Saturday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
12/5 Valley View Rotary Work Night at Rotary Lights, Saturday, 4:45 pm – 10:30 pm
12/9 Rotary Works Foundation fundraiser at The Wine Guyz, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
12/13 Rotary Lights Run/Walk
1/3 Valley View Rotary Take-down Day at Rotary Lights, Sunday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm;
5/21-23, 2010 District Conference in La Crosse!

Web sites:

Prizm Greeting Cards: <http://prizmGreetings.com/>

Visit <http://www.rotary6250.org/> for more information about Rotary and Dist. 6250

Rotary Works Foundation Application Form link: [Rotary Works Foundation Grant Application.](#)

You can get more information about the [Rotary Works Foundation, site pages, Rotary Club of La Crosse.](#)

Thanks and have a great week!

Tom