

Valley View Rotary Update

Wednesday, November 18, 2009

Program:

Classic Car Raffle Presentation

Del Schreck gave an excellent presentation and distributed information about the Classic Car Raffle. Del and the committee have done a great job of organizing this fundraiser and related events thus far. Please join in and support this activity which has wonderful potential for our club.

Thanks to Del and the committee members!

Announcements:

Rotar-Rooter

Thanks to Terry Bauer for filling in on short notice and doing a great job!

November is Rotary Foundation Month

Please remember to turn in your pledge forms and enrollment forms to Dick Spencer. We are looking to get pledge forms back from everyone, even if the amount is zero. Forms will be available at upcoming meetings.

Kringles

We are looking to wrap up the collection of the Kringle money. Please turn in to Dick Spencer in an envelope clearing identifying donation \$, sales \$ and total \$.

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. Please forward ideas to Rosalie, our Community Service Chair, who will be rallying the Community Service Committee to come up with a plan by 1/1/10.

Rotary Lights

Valley View Rotary was able to maximize the \$1,000 matching contribution and in total raise over \$2,100 in individual gifts for Rotary Lights. Thanks to Jim Warren and his helpers for making this happen. Way to go Valley View!

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. The group will be meeting near the Wells Fargo parking lot at 4:30 for the parade and going to Wine Guyz afterwards for some holiday cheer. Bring food pantry items to put on the float.

Fruit Basket Fundraiser

Rotary Club of La Crosse (Downtown) is having their annual Fruit Basket Fundraiser. Bill Hoel visited our Club to take orders for the baskets and will be back. They are a wonderful gift idea and a great way to support our fellow Rotarians!

Rotaract of La Crosse

Sondra LeGrand is our club's liaison with the La Crosse Rotaract Club. Sondra is very impressed with the club's numerous projects and energy of the members. They meet at Grounded Specialty Coffee, 308 Main Street in Downtown La Crosse at 7:00pm Wednesdays. Consider doing a make-up with them and visiting their website at:

<http://rotaractoflacrosse.org>

Upcoming Programs

- 11/25 Rich Petro
- 12/2 Steve Woessener
- 12/9 Carol Ebert
- 12/16 No morning meeting – Christmas Party that night
- 12/23 Pamela Maas Classification Talk
- 12/30 Club Assembly

Jan. La Crosse Public Library, Executive Director
Dietitian and Author of "Thin Women Don't Clean Their Plates"
Owners, Kick Show Store, Downtown La Crosse
Director of the area Linus Project (makes and gives quilts to hospitalized kids)

December Assignments:

Programs: Debbie Lee
Router: Terry Bauer
Greeter: open
Invocation: Carol Gross
Take Down: Vocational Service

Dates to Remember:

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