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"Service Above Self"

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This Friday November 30, 2007 11:45 Hamiltons 110 North East

Program: Jacksonville Main Street

Workers for this Friday

Greeters & Desk: David Fisher Diane Seufert Todd Evans

Sgt. At Arms: Anne Jackson Shawn McCombs

Song Leader: ?? Invocation: Fred Osburn Recognitions: Jean Jumper Rotary Minute: ??

Mark your calendar for December:

4th & 7th Next Tuesday & Thursday Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army at J.C. Penney See schedule below

11th - Tuesday - Noon - Membership Committee - Vic's

14th - Friday evening - 5pm to ?? - Club Social at Libby Gaige 207 Brookside Dr.

17th - Monday - 5:30 - Franklin School prepare gifts

18th - Tuesday - 6:30pm - Franklin School Christmas Party - JHS Auditorium

19th - Wednesday - 5pm - Board of Directors - Barton Stone

20th - Thursday - Noon - Publicity Committee - Three Legged Dog

Valentines Dinner Dance - February 15 - Need volunteers to be on the committee to organize and coordinate this event - Kristen Heaton

November Birthdays

Jack Hackett 17th; Richard Johnson 30th; Toni Long 7th; Ray Phipps 11th; Allen Stare 19th

Rotary Friday 11-16-07

Announcements

Tiffany – Read a letter from Ester, our most recent exchange student from Germany, who seems to be doing very well. Ester doesn't like her local Rotary because they are boring compared to Jacksonville.

Noel passed around clipboard for Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Contact him for the dates because I missed that part.

Mike is always impressed with the caliber of professionals that are a part of Rotary and the level of education of the members, but he also noted that "we can't seem to pass around a clipboard worth a crap." On a more serious note apparently Jason McDowell is having more health complications. Many of our Rotarian have had or are having many health issues this year and a moment in your prayers is always appreciated as well as a kind word.

Anne Jackson is recruiting early for the Valentine's Dinner Committee.

Song

Tiffany led the group acapella style through Raindrops, early Jingle Bells, and Smile

Rotary Minute

Helen Downey shared about the many types of Vocational Service Activities. These include opportunities in mentoring, career days, etc... "Sharing what you do and what you know can help many people".

Recognitions

Everyone who is active on a committee or volunteered to help in the meetings this year was excluded from offering a dollar.

Mike Ludvigsen celebrated his 20th anniversary of marriage! Congratulations!

Kevin Heitz wanted to publicly thank Judy Daniels for making him her Star dancer as she is a local dance instructor.

Allen Stare is going into the woods camping with forty youth during the first weekend of hunting season. Good Luck and make sure to bring a large first aid kit.

Helen Kuhn informed the group about the high School Play to be presented on Nov29th, 30th and Dec 2nd.

Fred thanked the brave few who helped take down the seats from off the Ferris wheel.

Personally I got the impression that he was slightly miffed that only a "few" showed up from an organization built on service.

Program

Al Schmidt spoke to the group about how the meaning of words has changed in society. He presented many words and phrases related to the hippies of the 60's (or whenever that was), technology (dating as far back as police car lights), and political correctness.

Here are some of the ubiquitous highlights.

Hippies –

Bread – Money

Bookin' – going fast

Bummed out – depressed

Chick – girl

Have a cow, man! – get excited

Fuzz/ Pigs – police

Technology

One way streets

Laptop

Motherboard

Online

You tube

Bloggers

Bucket seats

R2 D2 and C3PO

Politically Correct

Euro-centralism

AIDS was called GRID5 standing for gay related immune disease

Gender vs. Sex

Vertically or laterally challenged, some people are both that is not nice to say in public.

Visually impaired include people who are "blind as a stone"

"People of color" are preferred to "colored people".

Administrative assistants have taken over secretaries positions throughout the country.

All of our sanitation engineers or garbage pick-up guys are probably the early leavers who used to be known as the high school drop outs.

Another 50/50 bust

Rotary - Joint Meeting with Kiwanis 11/20/07

Announcements

Need someone to pick-up Vivian from Morton about 9:15 on Sunday Dec 2nd.

Please call Todd or Tiffany

Songs

Tom and Allen as our "good ole friends from HEE HAW"

Special guest was Deanna Demuzio our state senator in classic hee haw fashion.

Rotary Minute

Fred Clinton joined rotary Nov 22nd 1996.

4 areas available for service:

Club Service (helping in the meetings)

International Service (polio, Paul Harris, hosting youth exchange)

Community Service (Bass tourney, 4th of July, parades, Ferris wheel)

Vocational Service (Franklin Elem, scholar athlete, interact)

Rotations

Keith Lape said something about local college football (sorry I couldn't hear what was said)
Bob Foulk invited all to Thanksgiving events at Centenary United Methodist
Fred Clinton warned the members that he now has two relations, one including his daughter, who is now driving the streets of Jacksonville.

Sharon spoke about awards being presented related to history through the library. (Sorry again I couldn't hear well)

Craig Albers praised Buzz, a Kiwanian, for coaching a 3rd grade basketball team.

Program

Mike introduced Deanna Demuzio a Kiwanian and newly elected state senator.

This year has been the longest session of congress in IL history. The senator spoke briefly on all of the major topics of the year including:

- January ice storm issues
- Gross receipt tax
- Electricity rates from Ameren
- Smoke free bill that will begin Dec. 31st this year
- Gaming bill which is a part of the capital bill
- RTA and CTA transit problems in Chicago now connected to the capital bill
- Capital bill

Details concerning the capital bill and what it will provide local areas of IL:

1. Money overall for downstate IL
2. Bill provides for schools, roads, and infrastructure
3. Expansion for US 67 connecting Quad cities to Metro East via Macomb and Jacksonville which should help provide an economic boost.
4. Money for private colleges including IC and MAC
5. Money for ISVI and JDC
6. Small bridges within the county in need of repair

She also spoke on her areas in the senate and the issues she would like to see implemented namely:

Eye exams instead of only eye screenings for elementary students.

She is the chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee

They are looking to help and resolve problems related to PTS, homeless, providing loans, helping them to re-enter civilian life, and providing incentives for nurses in the VA hospitals.

50/50 was won by Shawn McCombs without even needing to pull an Ace of Spades. Well at least a Kiwanian didn't win! Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Salvation Army Bell Ringing Schedule

Tuesday, December 4

12:00 – 2:00

Shawn McCombs
Craig Albers
Tiffany Warmowski

2:00 – 4:00

Kevin Heitz
Helen Downey
Phyllis Lape

4:00 – 6:00

Fred Clinton
Ray Phipps
Richard Johnson

6:00 – 8:00

David Fisher
Jean Jumper
Lori Hall

Thursday, December 6

12:00 – 2:00

Kristen Heaton
Mike Underwood
Tom Luber

2:00 – 4:00

Ron Tendick
Fred Osburn
Al Schmidt

4:00 – 6:00

Tony Williams
Michael Ludvigsen
Terry Denison

6:00 – 8:00

Interact

See you at Rotary This Friday - Bring a Guest
