



ROTARY ELEVATOR

June 16, 2009

Greeter	Rick Williamson
Invocation	Barb Schenck
Music	Gloria Roth
Sgt. At Arms	Pete Stephan
Minutes	Steve Brodsky
Program	Randy Overbeck

52/50 winner: Kathy Geyer

Attendance winner: John Ellis

Announcements:

- **Relay for Life.** The Club will again be supporting the American Cancer Society by fielding a relay team to walk continuously from August 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. to August 15th, 2009 at noon. Please see Diane Dixon to sign up to fund Rotary's contribution to this event.
- **Paul Harris Fellow.** Club members who contribute \$500 toward a Paul Harris Fellowship can have their contribution matched by the Club from points we have built up over the years. The first 20 people who take advantage of this offer are eligible. To learn more about Paul Harris Fellowships please drop by http://www.xeniarotary.com/paul_harris_awards.htm.
- **Applebee's Rotary Day is July 27th.** On July 27th, the Xenia Applebee's will give 10% to Rotary's Relay for Life fund from the purchases of folks who bring the correct slip into Applebee's that day. The slips will be handed out at next week's meeting.
- **Dues are Due!** Please do what you can to come current on dues. The Club is just about \$10,000 behind in dues collection, and we need that support to keep rolling.
- **August 11, 2009 Xenia Rotary Meeting is at the New Bob Evans!** We will be the only folks in the place. A big thanks to Tom Sefton for making this happen.
- **Rotary At the Reds.** August 28th, 2009. See the flyer sent with today's newsletter for details.

President Bob's Thought of the Week: Forgive your enemies; it messes with their heads.



Sarge Department. Sarge Pete kicked off by congratulating Ron Geyer for being named the new U.S. Envoy to North Korea. He also congratulated all who were involved in the successful apprehension of the Xenia Swimsuit Flasher, and President Bob explained the role that his mowing crew played in that arrest. Happy Bucks included C.J. McLin's for master's degrees, jobs, and the disaster relief center grant, Brad Montgomery's for Tony Sculimbrene's help with grant work, and Harry Johns and Joe Mays for their 45th and 49th wedding anniversaries, respectively.



Program: Steve Avakian Focus Group.

Randy Overbeck presented Steve Avakian of Steve Avakian and Associates. Steve is a campaign consultant and -- after a number of years of serving as Senator John Glenn's Communications Director -- works to help public entities get their message out during levy campaigns.



Steve conducted a focus group to learn more about the Club's views on why the Xenia School levies failed in November 2008 and May 2009. He mentioned that he was mystified by the taxpayer's choice to leave \$58M in State school construction funds on the table.

Various Club members noted that the case for new schools had not been made, at least not on the scale proposed by the school district. Also, the levy campaign did not address how the district might reshape its staffing and operations in light of the smaller school age population in Xenia. Additional concerns raised included (a) the District's care of its existing facilities, (b) the signs from the last levy, (c) ongoing confusion relating to the Under One Roof proposal, and (d) the overall complexity of school funding issues in bad economic times.

Next Week's Program: Andy Pope will have a TBA program.



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Joke Department

While waiting for my first appointment in the reception room of a new dentist, I noticed his certificate, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered that a tall, handsome boy with the same name had been in my high school class some 30 years ago. Upon seeing him, however I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was too old to have been my classmate.

After he had examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended the local high school.

"Yes," he replied.

"When did you graduate?" I asked.
He answered, "In 1964."

"Why, you were in my class!" I exclaimed.
He looked at me closely and then asked, "What did you teach?"

The Four-Way Test

In 1932, Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor created The Four-Way Test, a code of ethics adopted by Rotary 11 years later. The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Upcoming Assignments

June 23, 2009

Greeter	J.O. Harner
Invocation	Gregg Hebrank
Music	Rock McColaugh
Sgt. At Arms	Joe Mullins
Minutes	Bart Sheridan
Program	Andy Pope

June 30, 2009

Greeter	Gloria Roth
Invocation	C.J. McLin
Music	John Meyer
Sgt. At Arms	John Larock
Minutes	Ron Lewis
Program	Todd Reichley

July 7, 2009

Greeter	Gregg Hebrank
Invocation	Adolfo Tornichio
Music	Bill Flaute
Sgt. At Arms	Bart Sheridan
Minutes	Jeff Brock
Program	Club Assembly

July 14, 2009

Greeter	Dick Holmes
Invocation	Randy Overbeck
Music	Rock McColaugh
Sgt. At Arms	Bart Sheridan
Minutes	Cliff Johnson
Program	District Governor

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