

ROTARY ELEVATOR

November 25, 2008

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	25-Nov-08
Greeter	Robyn Caupp
Invocation	Cathy Hill
Music	C.J. McLin
Sgt. At Arms	Harry Johns
Minutes	Kent Martin
Program	Ron Geyer

Arriving just before 12 noon was our speaker much to the relief President Bob and his brother Program Chair Ron. Too bad as Brother Ron was warming up to do his stand up comedy routine if the speaker did not arrive. Visiting Members today included [Dr Eric V.A. Winston](#) and our speaker "lame duck" State Senator and soon to be Congressman [Steve Austria](#). Also [Don Anderson](#) was back from his illness. Don thanked all for the cards and phone calls that were most welcomed when on your back.

Announcements:

- **Children's Christmas Party Tuesday December 16th** 6-8 P.M. Lots of Volunteers needed!!! Please Sign up.
- **Christmas Auction December 9th. Bring a \$25+ gift to sell.** Items to be included a **signed Brandon Webb Baseball**. Plus Xenia Rotarian [Eric Winston](#) has arranged an Auction or Raffle Package for the club. The **Package includes a night in a Chicago Hilton** (\$200-250 value), dinner at **Shaw's Crab House** (\$100-150 value) plus **Two tickets to Oprah Winfrey Show** (priceless!). Looking for ideas to maximize income for club? Do we offer it at our Christmas Auction or sell tickets to the public? Contact President Bob or a Board Member.
- **Caring Place Meal Thursday February 19th to be** provided by the Xenia Rotary at the First Lutheran Church located on Main St. **Mark your Calendars.** 12 volunteers needed. Bill Flaute Chairing the event.
- **New Rotary Song Books** have arrived and are sitting in President Bob's garage where he left them.
(Think it will help our singing?)
- Bill Flaute has **96 adopted families for Christmas** but **needs 24 more sponsors** for families. Call Bill at UW office.
- Ballots were on the tables for our **new Club Director** to start July 1, 2009. A run off election will be held on December 2.

Sarge Harry Johns back at the podium started by having all the Ohio State Fans stand and pay a Buck for last Saturday's win. All Michigan fans - no fine that was Service Above Self. Its tradition not to fine the Club President but maybe he would make a "donation" for the "Yellow Brick Road" dedication???

Pres Bob said it was the "free" Federal dollars" that cost him a \$1/2 million. No fine for scholarships given by WBZI and Terry Tobey. Happy Bucks from Buffie as her baby turned twelve today; Dave Wedderburn's grandson met Jack Hanna; Gregg H Happy to see Don Anderson; Library Guy Karl happy on Cedarville U help to sponsor Jack Hanna; PJ's son passed paramedic exam; someone thought Tom Z should be fined for wearing "red socks" thus impersonating a local physician!. Harry Johns gave a Happy Buck for his 40th year in Rotary today which was no small feat. He was the first Afro-American in District 6670. He has many stories to tell at another time of Rotary make ups in Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. Proud to be a Rotarian!

Ron Geyer as our program chair offered to read an official bio from our speaker but he was told to wing it. A Big Mistake for our speaker! Ron said, "Lesson # 1 for our speaker when going to Washington - Trust No One and I mean No One."

Newly elected Congressman Steve Austria that at some point in the process it comes to mind that I am not going to be able to do this. But as the oldest of nine children he learned to scream loud to get attention.

Last week he attended his first orientation of the 53 new Congressmen of which 21 are Republicans. But he was honored to be elected President of the Freshman Class. The transition to Washington was interesting to see the quality of the members including a governor, an attorney general, local government officials, small business people and a corporate CEO.

As a local State Representative and a State Senator for ten years Steve learned that some years you are in the majority and other years you are in the minority. So you learn to work in a bipartisan manner to get legislation passed for the people.

The electoral spoke in the last election that they are tired of partisan politics. Steve felt common ground with the new



majority on lower taxes and reducing spending. But if they want to raise taxes and increase spending then he will oppose them.

Retiring Dave Hobson told him that there are some good people on the Hill that put aside partisan politics to get good legislation passed but not enough... yet. Steve also said it would be easy to get caught up in the hype in Washington. He and his wife left a day early to get home and away from it and attend a son's basketball game.

The reason he first ran for office was to serve the people and he plans to continue that philosophy. He reviewed some the legislation that he was able to see passed in Columbus that came from local initiatives. For example, he sponsored Jessica's Law for mandatory sentencing for child predators; Adam's Law for tracking predators; tougher laws on internet predators and more domestic shelter funding and volunteer liability. Get to know the new representatives and give them and me your ideas for legislation.

In closing he felt they have a challenge going forward.

President Bob's Thought of the Day:
Always be yourself because the people who matter, don't mind and the ones who mind, don't matter.

Rotary Christmas Auction

Tuesday December 9, 2008

Bring a wrapped gift in the \$25+ range to be auctioned off.

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Be Prepared to Buy a Gift.



Assignments – Please Mark your Calendars	
	2-Dec-08
Greeter	Ron Lewis
Invocation	Robyn Caupp
Music	Joe Mullins
Sgt. At Arms	Adolfo Tornichio
Minutes	Steve Weeks
Program	Jeff Eyrich
	9-Dec-08
Greeter	Steve Stanek
Invocation	Richard Holmes
Music	Harry Johns
Sgt. At Arms	Adolfo Tornichio
Minutes	Andy Pope
Program	Auction
	16-Dec-08
Greeter	Karl Colon
Invocation	Keith Sheridan
Music	Randy Overbeck
Sgt. At Arms	Adolfo Tornichio
Minutes	Neil Fogarty
Program	XHS Ensemble
	23-Dec-08
Greeter	Brian Liming
Invocation	Gregg Hebrank
Music	Gloria Roth
Sgt. At Arms	Adolfo Tornichio
Minutes	Dave Warner
Program	Terry Hall

Remember Children's Christmas Party

sponsored by the Xenia Rotary Club

Tuesday December 16, 2008

6pm - 8 pm

Set up 5:30 pm

Santa Needs Your Help!



In Memory of Howard Coy

August 19, 1915 – November 27, 2008

A Dedicated Rotarian

Club President 1960-61,

Paul Harris Fellow, Rotarian Emeritus

Joined Xenia Rotary June 21, 1953



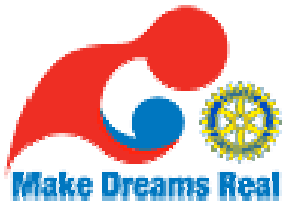
A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Brigid Catholic Church at 10 a.m., Monday, December 1, 2008, with burial at St. Paul's Cemetery in Yellow Springs.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Pike, Dayton, OH, 45420, or to the St. Brigid Memorial Program, 258 Purcell Ave., Xenia, OH, 45385.

Make The Most of Life

Learn to make the most of life,
Lose no happy day.
Time can never bring thee back,
Chances swept away.

Leave no tender word unsaid,
Love while life shall last.
The mill will never turn again,
With water that has past.
.....Anonymous



Some Late Thanksgiving Humor

If April showers bring May flowers what do May flowers bring? Pilgrims!

If the Pilgrims were alive today, what would they be most famous for? Their AGE

Why can't you take a turkey to church?
Because they use such FOWL language

Can a turkey jump higher than the Empire State Building?

Yes - a building can't jump at all

What do you get when you cross a turkey with an octopus?

Enough drumsticks for Thanksgiving

How can you make a turkey float?

Put two scoops of ice cream, some root beer and a turkey in a blender and...

What kind of music did the Pilgrims like?
Plymouth Rock

Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?
The outside

Why did they let the turkey join the band?
Because he had the drumsticks

Why did the police arrest the turkey?
They suspected it of fowl play

What's the key to a great Thanksgiving dinner?
The turKEY

What did the turkey say before it was roasted?
Boy! I'm stuffed!

Where did the first corn come from?
The stalk brought it

How did the Mayflower show that it liked America?

It hugged the shore

What are the feathers on a turkey's wings called?
Turkey feathers



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