



ROTARY ELEVATOR

September 29, 2009

Wanted: Deputy Editor for *Rotary Elevator*. Please see Karl for details.

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| Greeter | Jeff Lewis |
| Invocation | Jeff Lewis |
| Music | Kim Mayhew |
| Sgt. At Arms | Russ Remick |
| Minutes | Steve Brodsky |
| Program | Neil Fogarty |

52/50 winner: Judy Baker

Attendance winner: Diane Dixon

Announcements:

- **Raffle with the GC Community Foundation.** The Club is participating in a 50/50 raffle with Greene Giving. Our goal is to sell \$1000 worth of tickets at \$5.00 a ticket. The drawing is October 31, 2009. Please see Brad Montgomery for more information.
- **Sweetest Day Fundraiser.** Our own Marilyn is raising money to help refit the YMCA kitchen. She's having a Sweetest Day Dinner on October 17. Dinner is \$20 per person, and \$35 per couple. Come enjoy some great food for a fine cause! Please see Marilyn for more information.
- **Please Pay Dues.** John LeBlanc reminded the Club members who have not yet paid their dues to please do so asap.
- **Xenia School Levy.** Jeff Lewis asks that you support the Xenia School Levy on November 3rd.
- **Rotary History.** Rotary has a rich history that is beautifully set out in a new timeline on the Rotary International web site. Learn about over 100 years of service and fellowship along with great photos at <http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/History/RotaryTimeline/Pages/ridefault.aspx>. Doc Warner's history of the Xenia Rotary Club is on our website: http://www.xeniarotary.com/club_history.htm
- **District Membership Meeting is November 4.** The meeting will be at the Dayton Country Club, 555 Kramer Road Dayton, Ohio 45419. Please see <http://www.rotary6670.com/> for more information.

Sarge Department. Sarge Russ stepped up and duly fined those not wearing pins, though he did allow pins to be purchased on the spot in lieu of fines. He also issued fines to those who shut off the Bengals early and to those who watched the Browns at all.



From there, Sarge Russ presented a sure-fire solution to the war in Afghanistan, and told stories about farmers and jail. He wrapped up with a little magic (shown here).



Program: Karl Colón from Greene County Public Library and Votegreenelibrary.org.

Neil Fogarty presented **Vote Yes**   Karl Colón, the Director of the Greene County Public Library and chief cheerleader for Votegreenelibrary.org. Karl spoke to the Club about the upcoming Library levy.

Karl said the Library is asking for a vote that **will not raise taxes**, but that will keep the doors open each day in all seven libraries (barring further state funding disasters). Despite a loss of over \$2 million a year in state funding since 2008, the Library has chosen to make tough choices and not ask for more local support at a time when unemployment in Greene County exceeds 10.7%.

The Library delivers the very best in service, and was recognized as one of the Top Ten Libraries in the United States serving a community our size (100,000 – 250,000) by Hennen's American Public Library Ratings. In 2008, there were 1.2 million visits to the library, 2.9 million items checked out, and over 43,000 kids and adults came to library programs.

Karl asked for help passing the levy, which is crucial to maintaining the Library in tough times. Karl asked the Club to Vote For Issue 7, to get a yard sign for home and business, and to encourage friends to support the library. You can get a sign from Karl, and learn more about the levy at <http://votegreenelibrary.org>.



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Joke Department

When I was a young minister, a funeral director asked me to hold a grave side service for a homeless man with no family or friends. The funeral was to be at a cemetery way out in the country. This was a new cemetery and this man was the first to be laid to rest there.

I was not familiar with the area and became lost. Being a typical man, of course, I did not ask for directions. I finally found the cemetery about an hour late. The back hoe was there and the crew was eating their lunch. The hearse was nowhere to be seen.

I apologized to the workers for being late. As I looked into the open grave, I saw the vault lid already in place. I told the workers I would not keep them long, but that this was the proper thing to do. The workers, still eating their lunch, gathered around the opening.

I was young and enthusiastic and poured out my heart and soul as I preached. The workers joined in with, "Praise the Lord," "Amen," and "Glory!" I got so into the service that I preached and preached and preached, from Genesis to The Revelation.

When the service was over, I said a prayer and walked to my car. As I opened the door, I heard one of the workers say, "I never saw anything like that before and I've been putting in septic systems for twenty years."

Upcoming Assignments

October 6, 2009

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| Greeter | Cate Hill |
| Invocation | Rock McColaugh |
| Music | Terry Thomas |
| Sgt. At Arms | Gloria Roth |
| Minutes | Robyn Caupp |
| Program | Keith Sheridan |

October 13, 2009

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| Greeter | Jeff Eyrich |
| Invocation | Brian Liming |
| Music | Cliff Johnson |
| Sgt. At Arms | Gloria Roth |
| Minutes | Melinda Cooper |
| Program | Brian Stephan |

October 20, 2009

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| Greeter | Harry Johns |
| Invocation | Mark McDonnell |
| Music | Harry Johns |
| Sgt. At Arms | Gloria Roth |
| Minutes | David Bradds |
| Program | Tom Swigart |

October 27, 2009

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| Greeter | Cliff Johnson |
| Invocation | Brad Montgomery |
| Music | Buffie Myers |
| Sgt. At Arms | Gloria Roth |
| Minutes | Steve Duellely |
| Program | Club Assembly |

Need a Make Up? For Where & When Go to www.rotary6670.org.

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?