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**We Build**

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Meeting minutes for October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009

The members that were present were: Gary, Scott, Judi, Pat McBride, Jim McBride, Chuck, Duane, Don, Rob, Janice, Fred, Gil, Bob Miller, Jim Davis, Lynn, Grant, Bob Wilson, Dean, and Pat Cohorst. Those of you that were not at the meeting were missed.

The guest speaker for the morning was Vicky Rigney. We also had two more guests. Sam and Judy from Northern Management. All three of these people asked for and received member applications. They will all hopefully fill out those applications.

Another potential new member Jack Noirot missed the meeting. Bob visited him and he already has his application filled out. He hopes to be at our next meeting. Bruce Fasel also has expressed an interest in joining us. He is also a Rotarian. Our by-laws now say that he can belong to both organizations. If you know Jack or Bruce please contact them and encourage them to sign the dotted line and join us in community service. Dean and myself encourage each of you to invite 3 people that you know to a meeting through the course of the coming year. Let us grow the membership for not the number but for the new ideas and younger bodies that they will bring with them.

Make sure that when you see these new faces that you introduce yourself and make the guest feel welcome. Try to sit next to that new person and be ready to introduce him or her. Now I do not want all 30 of us trying to sit next to our guests or fighting about it. Just be good Kiwanians.

Dean emailed each of you with the agenda. Read it and if you want a spot and a chance to speak contact Dean. One hour for the meeting means we have to be better with the time management. If you are one of the unlucky few that has to be at work at 8:00am get up wave goodbye and leave. We know that work calls. This one thing that is nice about Kiwanis, nobody will chastise you for doing what you have to do.

We missed an interclub to Rogers City. They have changed their meeting day to Thursdays at noon. We will try to go on October 29<sup>th</sup>. If you can go please let Dean or George know. We will take along the Aktion Club treasurer Mark. The Rogers City Club wants to start an Aktion Club of their own.

Jim McBride told us of a successful ice-cream social at Alten Zimmer. The next one is today at Vanderbilt. Fred Stenke and Judy Koronka (soon to be new member) will do the scooping duties. The next chance to scoop will be at the Otsego House; you may volunteer to help Gary and Lynne Mattson. That will be on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Dean emailed us that Judi needs for some of us that can stay after the meeting to shine apples. These are then distributed to the area schools to give to each teacher. This is a project that Judi has spearheaded for a number of years. It is very well received. We also have the solicitation for Christmas Baskets fund raising

letter that is going to be mailed to perspective donors. Each letter needs to be folded and stuffed into an envelope. Last year this letter garnered over \$12,000.00 for the basket program. Let us pray it does as well or better so we can continue this 75-year tradition.

Vicky Rigney spoke to us about the Community dinner with is held each week at the Community Church on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. She told us that over 3600 people ate the meal that was provided in 2009. That is a lot of hungry people. Of the 3600 that ate most of them were children. We gave her a check for \$300.00. We should probably do more. We should donate our time as well. The Kiwanis are going to man the kitchen one Friday in November. Jim Davis is making potato soup. He helps out every week. Bob Miller also is a regular helper. We should do this once each month and probably come up with some extra funds. Remember Kiwanis is all about children. We need to step up to the plate and do what we can. We pride ourselves on the Christmas Basket project that we do. It is a great project. However to help feed 75 to 100 people each and every week seems very worthwhile.

George has had his surgery and by all accounts is doing well. You may want to call him and chat. 989-732-6084.

Fill out the survey that Dean gave you and turn it in. If you have other concerns write them down and hand it back in. You do not have to sign the paper. We can not change everything, but we at least can try. We are a family and we need to get back to that feeling of family. Without the leadership of the last several years, there would not be a Gaylord Kiwanis Club. When you talk to these past Presidents thank them for what they have done to keep Kiwanis alive. They all have done more than their share. No where in Kiwanis does it say you have to stay for 2 terms as an officer. Several have. We definitely have been blessed.

And remember 1. The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference.  
He acquired his size from too much pi.

Bob Wilson