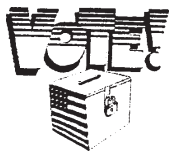


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Be sure to return your Rotary election ballot to the Club 13 office by noon on Thursday, Dec. 7. Ballots are required to be signed in order to be counted.

Results of the election will be announced at our regular luncheon meeting on Dec. 14.

Every Rotarian, Every Year

The goal is for each Rotarian to contribute a minimum of \$100 annually to the Annual Giving Programs of The Rotary Foundation.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held in the Lido, Burgundy or Trianon E Rooms unless otherwise noted.)

December 7:

New Member Orientation

10:30 — Yardbird A

Membership C & Q

11:15 — Yardbird B

December 14:

Membership Development

11:00 — Lido Room

Program

11:00 — Burgundy

Education Excellence

11:00 — Trianon E

CPR/AED — New Folks

1:15 - 3:00 — Trianon E.

Committee members: This is your notification to attend your committee meetings. Please notify your chairman if you cannot be present.

Thursday's Meeting



November 30, 2006



Come and join us for our

Club 13 Annual Holiday Party

Thursday, November 30, 2006

Hyatt Regency Crown Center, Pershing Hall

6:30 p.m. - Cocktails - Cash Bar

7:00 p.m. - Fabulous Dinner

8:00 - 10:00 p.m. Dancing

Featuring the Chuck Eddy Band

Black tie optional, complimentary parking, \$50 per person
RSVP by November 27, 2006

Menu consists of:

Tossed field greens with balsamic tomatoes, buffalo mozzarella
white balsamic vinaigrette

Rolls with butter

KC strip steak with Jack Daniels demiglace

Cheddar mashed potatoes

Asparagus and red pepper strips

Caramel apple pie or chocolate wave

Coffee, hot tea and ice tea

Two complimentary glasses of wine with dinner

Serving Chardonnay, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

December 7 — Count Basie Ballroom at the Marriott

Carl J. DiCapo — The Liberty Memorial:
Completion of a Dream

December 7 — Gift Wrapping and Soup Supper Party, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
reStart, 918 E. 9th, KC, MO

December 12 — Plaza Lights Party, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., 4545 Wornall

December 14 — Ken McFarlane, director of manufacturing
for Ford Motor Company

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LAST THURSDAY --
November 9, 2006



by
 Jim Holmberg

Last Thursday Club 13 made a head start over the rest of the country in celebrating Veteran's Day. If you had any doubts about today's Army they were laid to rest by our well-read and articulate speaker, Col. Timothy Reese, director of the Army's Combat Studies Institute at Fort Leavenworth.

Other than a few misguided concepts regarding the Cardinals and the Rams, the former St. Louis resident kept the meeting engaged with his command of statistics and perspectives on the U.S. military and the Army in particular.

He told us that in 2007 Department of Defense spending is budgeted for \$466 billion, or almost half of the federal budget, which can also be expressed as 3.7% of our GDP. Looking historically at that ratio, the colonel said that during WWII defense spending was 37.8% of our GDP and 9.4% during the Vietnam War.

Today there are 1.45 million active

duty personnel which is a little less than 0.5% of the 300 million U.S. population. Active duty personnel numbered 1.75% during the Vietnam War and in 1987 accounted for 0.9% of the population.

Colonel Reese suggested dividing the US population into five income brackets. He claims that most of today's recruits come from the middle three brackets. Disputing that Army recruiting targets the nation's poor, he said that currently 22% of recruits come from the top income bracket and that 18% come from the lowest income population.

The colonel recognized Club 13 veterans by asking them to stand. And the historian in Army clothing reminded us of a quote from F.D. Roosevelt, "Freedom can not be bestowed, it must be achieved." Those good words reminded us to appreciate the sacrifice of all the men and women who have served to achieve the freedoms we enjoy.

Members of Club 13's R.I. Foundation Committee greeted us at the door to kick off Foundation Month. Opening the meeting, President **Rick Halterman** congratulated Past President **Sally Bibb**, who was the MC for District 6040's Foundation Dinner last Saturday. The dinner raised more than \$38,000 for the foundation.

Carl Bolte manipulated the keys of the old upright piano, accompanying **Harlan Stamper** as he led us in singing "America the Beautiful." **Brent Caswell's** invocation gave thanks for our freedoms and for those who are serving our country today. **Larry Taft** welcomed our guests and visiting Rotarians.

President Rick reminded us that **Jack Darrow** and **Don Smith** continue to face health issues. The annual election of officers is only a few weeks away. **John Coil**, **Steve Corbin**, **Evie Craig**, **David McCaughey**, **Matt Meyer** and **Charlie Tryban** were introduced as candidates for the three director slots.

Jerry Cooke summed up the state of our volunteer efforts for Salvation Army bell ringing. Entertainment Czar **Dick Retrum** called for reservations for our Annual Holiday Party, November 30 at the Hyatt. **Bill Buckner** introduced his fellow West Pointer, Colonel Reese.



Plaza Lights Party for Prospective Members

On Tuesday, **Dec. 12**, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Parkway Towers, 4545 Wornall, you will have the opportunity to bring a prospective member for cocktails and hor d'oeuvres. The cost is \$15 per Rotarian. Prospective members are guests of the club.

Please RSVP to the Rotary office at 816/842-2322 so that we can plan accordingly.

The Bill Brown Memorial Coat/Warm Clothing Drive



With the cooperation of the Marriott, drop-off containers will be available for you to bring your coats and warm clothing to our Rotary meetings on Thursdays,

Dec. 7, Dec. 14 and Dec. 21.

This drive is important to the many people in Kansas City who need clothes. Last year we collected 200 items and hope to double that amount this year. If you haven't worn it in two years, you probably no longer need it. If you have other clothes (including shoes) you no longer use, plan to bring them, too.

We will also need a couple of Rotarians to assist with the weekly collections. Tyros, you can earn six points for helping with the collection. If you can help out or have any questions, please contact **Bill Strout** at 913/236-3050.

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GIFT WRAPPING and SOUP SUPPER PARTY TO SUPPORT HOMELESS GIRLS

Thursday, December 7, 2006

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

reStart, Inc., 918 E. 9th, Kansas City MO 64106

This event, hosted by Women of Rotary, will warm your heart and your tummy.

All are welcome to participate.



Evie Craig, a member of Rotary Club 13, is the executive director of reStart, an interfaith ministry for homeless persons seeking to move toward independent living. As a way to spread holiday cheer, we would like to donate Christmas gifts for the 35 girls who reside at reStart

Following is a list of items that would be good presents for the girls: DVD movies (all children's favorites); Barbie dolls (all ethnicities); Bratz dolls; Baby dolls (all ethnicities); hair accessories; jewelry; games; coloring books; reading books (for all ages); art supplies (crayons, art sets); stuffed animals toys (Elmo, etc.); body lotion and gel sets; CDs (pre-teen girls); light-up or educational toys (toddlers/infants).

If you could pick an item (or items) from the list when you RSVP with Janet, we can track what is still needed. Then comes the fun part – shopping for the items - and bringing them (unwrapped) with you to reStart. We will do the gift wrapping of our gifts as a group. We will have wrapping paper, ribbon, decorating items, scissors and tape for you to wrap your gift(s). Let your creative juices flow!

Soup and salad and conversation are the next things on the agenda. For those who are interested, we will stay at reStart and have a light soup and salad dinner. The refreshment charge is \$5.

Parking is available at reStart or you can park at J. Wilbur Co. (1700 Central off of Broadway) and the reStart van can take us to 918 E. 9th

Please RSVP with Janet at 816/842-2322, and let her know which gift(s) you will be bringing with you. If you would like to join us for the 7th and don't have time to get a gift, please come anyway. The more the merrier!

PS: If you would like for us to get the gifts for you to wrap we can do so with a donation from you. Just let Janet know when you RSVP.

December Birthdays



1. Larry Murphy
2. Jay Menitove
3. Don Smith, John Major
4. Dennis Owens
5. Rick Powell
6. Roger Freeman
8. Jack Headley
9. Kathy Cox, Ed Newcomer
10. Al Kohler, Don Seifert
11. Mike Horton
13. Bob Bennett, Keith Smith
14. Mike Jefferies, Victor Hogstrom
15. Ann Dickinson, Brandon Boulware
Dennis Chapman, Rusty Macy
17. John Wagner, Scott Holsman
19. Marcia Fennesy, Bob Hill,
Peter Ho
25. Rick Kappa
27. Peter deSilva, Dennis O'Dell
28. Ray Jones
29. Bill Dietrich
30. Noel Sotta
31. Paula Willett



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BOWLING NEWS



by Dick Retrum

It looks like THE SHUDDABINS are the team to beat. They are still in first place this week with 31 games won and they took four games from the PROFESSIONALS in today's play. The league standings did not change from last week. No team advanced or declined. That seems odd to me. But then "Light Rail" passed....so anything is possible.

Well, lets get right to it. There were some great games bowled today. Dan Couch 204, Dave Boone 204, Ted Middendorf 206 & 209, Maurice Brownlee 206 & 221 and the high score of the day was Dee Reynolds with a 223. A few weeks ago she was mentioned in this column for bowling her first 200 game. Now she's bowling the pants off the entire league. Watch out. Her team, POLITICALLY CORRECT, might start making a move for that number-one spot. They've been keeping her a secret. But that's ok. She will be a strong defender of the championship trophy in Columbia, MO this year.

You might have been wondering why Chris Boland and Norm Waters were not bowling today. Well....maybe just some of you were wondering. OK, maybe I was the only one questioning. So I found out. Its because they were beach bowling in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. How do you get on that league? Where do you sign up?

Start Thinking Now About Candidates for the 2008-2009 Ambassadorial Scholarship.

Rotary Club 13's Scholarship Committee is looking for applicants for the \$25,000 Ambassadorial Scholarship for study abroad for the 2008-2009 program year. Due to the lengthy application process, the Scholarship Committee requests that you forward names and contact information for potential applicants as soon as possible to **Tom Davis**, 816/ 691-3439 or via email to thdavis@stinsonmoheck.com. If at all possible, we request that applications be turned in before the end of the year, but applications will be accepted through Jan. 19, 2007.

The goal is for Club 13 to submit one candidate to the district for an Ambassadorial Scholarship. More information is available about the Ambassadorial Scholarship Program from the "Educational Programs" section at www.rotary.org. Potential candidates are encouraged to visit the website and investigate the qualifications and expectations thoroughly before applying.


Generally speaking, college students who are graduating this year or next year, and who want to study abroad as part of their post graduate studies, are best suited to apply for the Ambassadorial Scholarship. Candidates should be outgoing, have a good grade point average, excellent communication skills and be willing to fulfill the "ambassador" function by representing Rotary Club 13 at Rotary Clubs and other public events in the chosen country abroad.

The eligibility criteria are as follows:

- ♦ Applicants must have completed at least two years of college-level coursework or equivalent professional experience before commencing their scholarship studies abroad in the fall of 2008.
- ♦ Initial application must be made through a Rotary club in the applicant's legal or permanent residence or place of full-time study or employment.
- ♦ Candidates cannot be Rotarians, Honorary Rotarians, or employees of a club, district, or other Rotary entity or of Rotary International. Spouses, lineal descendants (child or grandchild by blood or legal adoption), spouses of lineal descendants, and ancestors (parent or grandparent by blood) of persons in the foregoing categories are also ineligible. Please note that Rotarians and their relatives remain ineligible for scholarship awards for a period of 36 months after a Rotarian has resigned from club membership.
- ♦ The scholarships are not appropriate for students seeking to continue studies already begun at a foreign institution.
- ♦ Persons with disabilities and members of Rotaract clubs are eligible and encouraged to apply.
- ♦ In addition to the criteria listed, applicants for Academic-Year and Multi-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships must be proficient in the language of the proposed host country. Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship applicants must have completed at least one year of college-level coursework or equivalent in the proposed language of study.

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