

Fruita Monument High School Interact Club



Today we have Fruita Monument High School Interact Club Officers presenting our program, with their sponsor, **Anne McCorkle**. The four Interact Club Officers will speak to us about activities their club has been involved in so far this year. They are sponsored by the Fruita Rotary Club.

Emily Cuevas is in her first year as President of Interact Club. She is excited to see the difference the club will make in the community, nation, and world. **Madeline Gore** is a junior and is currently the club's Vice President. The Secretary of Interact Club is **Ammanda McGough**, also a junior at FMHS. She has been involved on the club since her freshman year. **Haley Hrcncir** is a sophomore and Treasurer for Interact Club. She joined Interact Club because she wanted to help the community and those in need around the world.

Musings from the Crowd

(Astute observations from last weeks meeting)

By Reed Mitchell

We could all clearly hear this week's bell because it's not amplified; like almost nothing else at **Dos Rios Convention Center and screen door emporium**, especially the microphones. After his Coolness got the meeting fired up, our own King David led the Club's caterwauling of an oldie but goodie **Dear Old Dad**. We got through the pledge and Joe showed off his "Joe Cool Pumpkin"; it actually resembled a little ghoul from where I sat. Miss Jeanie did a very nice October birthdays presentation. Joe then gave us a Club Decorum Speech and said "just pretend you're talking to your Mom".

Happy Bucks:

- **Steve Martin**; aka Cycleman offered \$40 happies for a trip to Denver with his wife. Have any fun?
- **Terry Toner** had \$5 Bucks his son got a 5-fight WEC contract, He must be as tough as his Dad!
- **Jane (the bird lady)** gave \$5 for their birds finishing 65th out of 1,200 in a race, Jane has fast birds.
- **Doctor Don "Birdman" Tyler** praised his undefeated Iowa Hawkeye's, Hawks are birds to! ...
- **Doctor James** praised the Symphony's latest concert as the best ever, was Bob Denny absent?

Announcements:

- **Walid** announced **Bob Johnson** is recovering
- **Dale Beede** visited **Harry Mavrakis** who now has Hospice's help; Harry appreciated our Legends of Rotary Calendar so he's still having fun. Dale says Harry would appreciate some cards and calls.

Gifts for the Pres:

- **Jana Gerow** back from New Orleans with some beads, she said she got them innocently at a huge ball game tail gate party, we believe her. She also had a number 5 tee shirt for his coolness
- **Dee Brinegar** praised the ladies of Boston and brought our fearless leader a cool Boston Beenie
- **Ora Lee** returned from Israel with a Coke a Cola Tee Shirt in Hebrew, Joe can't read Hebrew!

On the Beat:

Last Thursday the New Member Breakfast was a big success with 12 new members and **4 Gristled Old Rotarians** in attendance. **Dennis Pretti** led the festivities at Good Pastures and explained life as a Rotarian in detail. Joe told us his tenure is 1/3rd over and he didn't even notice it happening. Joe has that "what's going on look" in his eyes most of the time. **Nancy Hill** (Committee Chairlady) showed up as we were about to finish her meeting. She's doing a bang up job leading the Membership Committee anyway.

Legends of Rotary Calendars:

The perfect Christmas gift for those you love or for those you don't, See Reed for yours today; only \$10.00, Get one online at: www.LegendsofRotary.com or at all area Walgreen's. Just watch how many we sell!

Warner's Corner



A couple of weeks ago, I wrote in this space about the global scope and reach of Rotary International. We had an excellent example of this point with the recent visit of Lee Harman, a fellow Rotarian from Washington State, who traveled here to present our program.

I first met Dr. Harman, a mostly retired ophthalmologist, when we bumped into each other during the RI Convention in England last June. He has dedicated himself to spreading the word about eradicating polio from the face of the earth. His presentation was both informative and inspirational.

I think what the good doctor is doing in retirement epitomizes the best of Rotary and I commend him for it. He provides us an inspiration to explore ways of avoiding the temptation to sit on past laurels. We all have the opportunity to be a positive force in Rotary whether it's on the local, national or international level. The need to provide a helping hand never really goes away.

And, so, from our chance meeting on a commuter train in Birmingham, the unique force for good that is Rotary International brought my new friend Lee to Grand Junction to share his passion with us. I am indebted to him for his willingness to share his time and talent - and his fine example of service above self.

And Now ... Dut ta ta daa: Masquerade!



This years Masquerade Ball was a tremendous success by any measure. The food was fabulous and ticket sales were within a whisker of a total sell out. The Doubletree Hotel accommodated our every wish with not a complaint. What a great venue for our annual fundraiser! **Jan P's. (hard name to spell) tombstones** were a hit and the **Rotaractor's silent auction** went off without a hitch. **The Nacho Men band** was the best we've ever had and in spite of the economy everyone had a blast dancing the night away. One highlight was that the first prize winner in our costume contest; **Elam Construction donated the \$400 prize back to the club**, Magical stuff! **The Scooter Raffle** winner was a man from the Redlands that has 7 children, Perfect!! Finally the **Bee Gee Boys performance** tipped the excitement scale in our favor, those guys were great! Or so I'm told... What a wonderful evening. See you next year and a special thanks to everyone who made our party such a fabulous success!! You know who you are... This reporter scanned the crowd all evening for **Jeanie Thomas in the super sexy costume** she described to me last week, skimpy, with G-strings and things, maybe she'll wear it next year, one can only hope.

Upcoming Dates

Meeting Programs
Barb Bowman and Gwen DeCino
Program Committee Co-Chairpersons

November 11 **Veteran's Day** – *Floyd Keller*

November 18 **CADA** – *Tim Jackson*

Upcoming Meetings

November 6 **Past President's Meeting**
Noon, Bookcliff C.C.

November 11 **Rotary Exchange Committee**
11:15 a.m., Two Rivers Conv. Ctr.

Christmas Party

***This year's Rotary Christmas Party is
scheduled for December 15th at Bookcliff
Country Club. Save the date because this
will be a good one. More to follow!***

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