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THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE COLUMBIA METRO ROTARY CLUB

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Opening

President Scroggs welcomed members, visitor's and guests to today's meeting. **Chris Stormer** led the group with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. **Bill Costello** introduced our visitors and guests.

Attendance

Members with Guests

Bill Costello..... David Townsend
Beth Lammers..... Harold Lammers
Sarah Read Cynthia Jobe

Visitor from Rotary South

Raymond Plue

Announcements

David Mink greeted members and guests at today's meeting.

President Stuart thanked members for participating in last week's All Club Meeting. **Jacque Cowherd** and **Shawn Barnes** were commended for their work in planning the event, and **Norm Benedict** did a great job emceeing the event. The event raised \$1,967.00.

District 6080 is offering twenty-five \$200 matches for members donating \$800 for Paul Harris Fellowships and \$100 matches for sustaining members who have contributed less than \$500. Our board will take consideration on Metro approving twenty-six \$50 matches for new Paul Harris Fellows, current Sustaining Members and those who are ready to become Sustaining Members. We encourage you to consider whether you would like to become a new Paul Harris Fellow or will contribute toward your Sustaining Membership before year end. Please be aware there are only a few \$50 matches available for Metro members. Interested parties should contact **President Stuart** or **Susan Hart**.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has awarded \$100 million dollars to the

polio eradication effort. This donation will be matched by Rotary International.

There will be a fundraising meeting following Metro's regular Dec 5th meeting. The Fundraising Committee has decided to have a Trivia Night and a 50/50 Raffle. Proceeds from the Trivia Night and Raffle will go to our charity.

Columbia South Rotary is selling Poinsettias as part of an annual fundraiser.

Metro Rotary will have a Holiday Mixer Thursday, Dec. 6th, 5 – 7 p.m. at Grill One-5. This counts as a make-up!

**Metro Rotary
WILL NOT
meet on
Wednesday,
December 26th.
Happy Holidays!**

Board member election will be held in mid-December. Those individuals interested in being on the board should contact **Lori Prewitt, Tom Rose** or **Cindy Whaley**.

Reminder for those that signed up to provide gifts for the Voluntary Action Center: Please bring your wrapped gifts to the Dec 5th meeting.

Columbia Metro/Salvation Army Bell Ringing: We still need 3 bell ringers for the Salvation Army. Hours when people are needed are noon, 1 p.m., and 6 p.m. Michael's is a nice location for bell ringing and this is a great way to contribute to the community! Please see **Cathy Scroggs** or **Sarah Read** to sign up. There will be a sign up sheet at the Dec 5th meeting.

Assignments

Metro Rotary appreciates having the following members provide the raffle prize, sell the tickets, say the invocation, and lead the pledge. Please show your support by purchasing tickets that enable us to support our charities.

December 5 **Audrey Spieler**
December 12 **Marnie Clark**
December 19 **Bob Unrath**
December 26 **Greg Johnson**

Next up for Greeters:

December 5 **Craig Meyer
& Bill McIntosh**
December 12 **Liz Magee
& Marcia Machens**
December 19 **Don Ludwig
& Sandra Logan**
December 26 **Valorie Livingston
& Jamold Little**

*If you cannot fulfill your duty,
please contact **Beth Lammers** at
Bethl@howardelectricwb.com*

Upcoming Programs

December 5 Dr. Mel George
Former President of St. Olaf's College
and Interim UM System President
December 12 West Junior
High School Choir
December 19 Classification Talks
December 26 **NO MEETING**

Sergeant-at-Arms

Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Unrath was absent from today's meeting.

Family of Rotary

Jim Stock had the following Family of Rotary Announcements:

Roma Wonneman's father passed away last Friday.

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Recent/Upcoming Metro Birthdays:
November 23..... **Joy Block**
November 24..... **Phil Lessley**
November 25..... **Jacque Cowherd**
November 28..... **Ralph Butler**
November 30..... **Tom Rose**

Jennifer Deaver, Valorie Livingston and **Craig Meyer** have been selected by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce to participate in Leadership Columbia.

Program Summary

Laurel Anderson, introduced by **President Stuart**, returned to Metro

Rotary to share more of his World War II experiences. When we last heard from Laurel, he had completed basic training and the trip across the Atlantic.



Laurel Anderson

This week's program continued with Laurel's trip from Liverpool to North Africa and on to Tunisia with the first company to land at Anzio. Toward the end of the program, Laurel spoke about General George Patton.

Raffle

Valorie Livingston was the winner of a gift certificate to Village Wine and Cheese. A total of \$77.00 was raised by today's raffle.