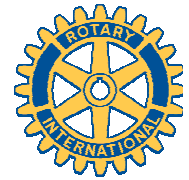


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Opening

Cindy Whaley welcomed members, visitors and guests to today's meeting. **Bette Wordelman** led the group with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance and **Marcia Machens** introduced our visitors and guests.

Attendance

Visitors & Guests

Les Gelband..... CPS Title I Teachers
Beth Lammers..... Terry Phillips
Casey Buckman..... Tom Luckenbill

Announcements

Thanks to **Tony Iadevito** and **Rob Bartel** for greeting members and guests as they arrived at today's meeting.

Stuart Scroggs was reprimanded by **President Cindy** for forwarding her name as a volunteer to the Muscular Dystrophy Association for their annual "locked-up" fundraiser. **Stuart** was made to sit in Rotary "jail" for the first half of the meeting.



Lori Pewitt announced she would be picking up our German exchange student next week. A "wish list" of possible activities for the student was circulated and members were encouraged to sign up if they thought they could be of service.

Ryan Lidolph reminded everyone about the upcoming Central Missouri Food Bank Club-Out Hunger Luncheon on August 24. The event will be held at

Stony Creek Inn from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and will feature celebrity jeopardy. Tickets are \$10 which includes lunch provided by Hoss's. Contact **Ryan** for your tickets.

Kimberly Earnest reported on a successful Metro Rotary/Rotaract blood drive on August 3. She gave special thanks to Laine Scholz from the American Red Cross, **Todd Culley** from Boone Electric Cooperative, Marissa Todd from Rotaract, **Cindy Whaley**, **Rose Hayden**, the Community Service Committee, the Fellowship Committee and all the donors.

Family of Rotary

Norm Benedict offered facts from this day in history.

Beth Lammers announced the upcoming birthdays of **Jim Cherrington** (Aug. 6) and **Roma Wonneman** (Aug. 9).

Members celebrating an August induction into Metro Rotary were recognized.

Beth recognized Billy Borgmeyer for his humanitarian efforts at Hy-Vee and **Kimberly Earnest** for a nice write up about the University Concert Series in a recent edition of the Columbia Daily Tribune.

Sergeant-at-Arms

Sergeant-at-Arms Steve Baumgartner fined **Sally Beth Lyon** \$1 for her audible ring tone. **Rob Bartel** was fined \$1 for questioning last week's quiz question. **Valerie Livingston** gave a one minute infomercial about the upcoming "Uncorked" fundraiser to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Columbia area (www.uncorkedcolumbia.com) and was fined \$1.

Today's question for the club was about the Wall Drug Store. Located just outside of Sturgis, South Dakota, this store's claim to fame is:

- Ice cream
- Largest Indian arrowhead collection
- Free ice water
- BBQ bison burgers

All members not answering "free ice water" were fined \$1 each.

Upcoming Programs

- August 11**..... Classification Talks
Casey Buckman & Lori Neidel
- August 18**..... Rotaract
Marissa Todd, President
- August 25**..... *Columbia One Read:*
Await Your Reply
Doayne McKenzie, Columbia Public Library

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.

Raffle/Invocation/Pledge:

- August 11..... **Rose Hayden**
August 18..... **Brad Nelson**
August 25..... **Bill Costello**

Next up for Greeters:

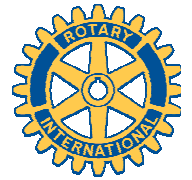
- August 11 **Sandra Logan**
& **Jim Cherrington**
- August 18..... **Travis Cook**
& **Tim Springer**
- August 25..... **Bob Unrath**
& **Norm Benedict**

Program Summary

Columbia Public Schools
Title I Early Childhood Education

Les Gelband introduced Mary Rook, Coordinator of the Title I Early Childhood Education Program for the Columbia Public Schools. This program has been a Partner in Education with

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Mary gave an overview of the program:

- Serves eligible 3 & 4 year-old children
- Children must reside within the Columbia school district
- Provides 4 half-day sessions per week
- Collaborates with Early Childhood Special Education and Parents as Teachers programs

Title I Early Childhood Education Programs are located at the following schools:

- Alpha Hart Lewis Elementary
- Benton Elementary
- Blue Ridge Elementary
- Derby Ridge Elementary
- Field Elementary
- Fairview Elementary
- New Haven Elementary
- Parkade Elementary
- Park Avenue Child & Family Development Center
- Rock Bridge Elementary
- Rocky Bridge High School
- Russell Elementary
- West Blvd. Elementary

Title I regulations require one teacher and one instructional aide per 15 students in the preschool setting. There are currently 22 teachers, all state certified in Early Childhood Education.

She noted that one of the biggest misconceptions regarding eligibility for Title I services is family income. This is NOT a consideration for eligibility.



Mary Rook

For eligibility, the district looks at several things:

1. They look at a one day snapshot of a child's development in the areas of motor skills, language and concepts.
2. They consider parental information (i.e. whether the family has participated in PAT, whether or not parents have graduated from high school).
3. Referrals from Parent Educators/Physicians/DFS/Health Department/Home School Communicators/CPS school offices.

Mary reviewed how the program is evaluated and spoke of its community partnerships with CMCA Head Start, Jumpstart, Metro Rotary and the Columbia Area Career Center.

Some of the Metro Rotarians currently read to CPS students on a regular basis include:

Tom Rose
Les Gelband
Win Burggraaff
Shane Winter
Jim Cherrington

Sign-up sheets were on each table for interested Rotarians to sign up to assist during the upcoming school year.

Raffle

Congratulations to Metro guest Deborah Rauch, a Title I teacher from Park Avenue Head Start. She was the winner of a State Fair package courtesy of **Bette Wordelman**. Deborah received admission for two to the Missouri State Fair and two tickets to any grandstand show.