



Des Peres Rotary News

December 2008 The Rotary Club of Des Peres, MO Thursdays - 7 am

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

This I Believe...

Recounted by Lynn Bozzay

I believe that we don't have to change friends if we understand that friends change.

I believe that no matter how good a friend is, they'll hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.

I believe that true friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance. Same goes for true love.

I believe that you can do something in an instant that will give you heartache for life.

I believe that it's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

I believe that you should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.

I believe that you can keep going long after you can't.

I believe that we are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel.

I believe that either you control your attitude or it controls you.

I believe that regardless of how hot and steamy a relationship is at first, the passion fades and there had better be something else to take its place.

I believe that heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

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You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout,
I'm telling' you why.....



2008 Des Peres Rotary Christmas Party

Join us for an evening of
Christmas caroling and good cheer.

Greenbriar Hills Country Club
Kirkwood, Missouri

Thursday December 18, 2008
7 PM to 9 PM

\$25/person payable in advance - includes heavy hors d'ouerves. Cash Bar.



Our Rotary Foundation

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world.

By Mike Lodes, Foundation Chair

Please remember your commitment to The Foundation (aka Paul Harris) when you make your dues payments this year-end. Dues are being billed late -- so you will have some "making up" to do which includes your Foundation pledge.

Everyone is taking a hit in this economy; but, we are fortunate to live in a bountiful country and are members of an affluent Rotary Club. Please keep in mind those less fortunate -- and that Rotary means "service above self".

Thank you for your continued generosity.



Emily Grose, daughter of Canadian Rotarian Ed Grose, on a Rotary-related trip to Uganda in 2004.
Photo courtesy of Ed Grose

Des Peres Rotary Record

Desk Duty

Invocation Duty

Happy Birthday

December 4.....Mike Lodes	December 4.....John Steuterman
December 11.....Fran McDaniel	December 11.....Rich Waigand
December 18.....Charlie Miller	December 18.....Roy Weisheit
December 25.....MERRY CHRISTMAS!	December 25.....MERRY CHRISTMAS!
January 1.....HAPPY NEW YEAR!	January 1.....HAPPY NEW YEAR!
January 8.....Kurt Mungenast	January 8.....Bill Wiley
January 15.....Paul Newland	January 15.....Chuck Ainsworth
January 22.....Dave Patton	January 22.....Jim Anderson
January 29.....John Reynolds	January 29.....Maryann Antoine

December 5.....Kim Smith
 December 16.....Kara Dreste
 December 24.....Lynn Bozzay
 December 30.....Fred Bueler



Preview of Coming Attractions

- December 4** --CLUB FELLOWSHIP. No scheduled speaker.
- December 11** -- Sabine Robinson / Ready Readers
- December 18** -- **No meeting.** Christmas Party at Greenbriar Hills CC
- December 25** -- **No meeting** -- MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- January 1** -- **No meeting** --HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- January 8** -- CLUB FELLOWSHIP. No speaker.
- January 15** -- Kevin Bauer / Leadership, motivation
- January 22** -- Karen Yeomans / MODOT
- January 29** -- Jerry Ehrlich / STL Society for the Physically Disabled

Des Peres Rotary Website
www.desperesrotary.org
 Rotary International Website
www.rotary.org
 District 6060 Website
www.rotary6060.org

DES PERES ROTARY CLUB

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The Rotary Club of Des Peres meets at 7 am each Thursday at The Missouri Athletic Club-West (MAC-West), 1777 Des Peres Road , St. Louis, MO 63131

Copies of this newsletter are available at the check-in desk each meeting compliments of Bob Stalinski and
MINUTEMAN PRESS—DES PERES

Intercity

Ballwin / Metro West
 Tuesday, December 9
 12 noon
 Speaker
 Jim Holder, Sportscaster



RSVP to Cliff Kurrus
 Salem Methodist Church
 14825 Manchester Road

Believe...

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I believe that money is a lousy way of keeping score.

I believe that my best friend and I can do anything or nothing and have the best time.

I believe that sometimes the people you expect to kick you when you're down, will be the ones to help you get back up.

I believe that sometimes when I'm angry I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

I believe that just because someone doesn't love you the way you want them to, doesn't mean they don't love you with all they have.

I believe that maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

I believe that it isn't always enough to be forgiven by others. Sometimes you have to learn to forgive yourself.

I believe that no matter how bad your heart is broken the world doesn't stop for your grief.

I believe that our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for who we become.

I believe that just because two people argue, it doesn't mean they don't love each other. And just because they don't argue, it doesn't mean they do.

I believe that you shouldn't be so eager to find out a secret. It could change your life forever.

I believe that two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

I believe that your life can be changed in a matter of hours by people who don't even know you.

I believe that even when you think you have no more to give, when a friend cries out to you, you will find

the strength to help.

I believe that credentials on the wall do not make you a decent human being.

I believe that the people you care about most

in life are taken from you too soon.

I believe that you should send this to all of the people that you believe in.

I just did.



Mike and Marilyn Sabo just returned from vacation at Los Suenos Marriott Resort in Costa Rica. Costa Rica is the sport fishing capital of the world. The Marlin are just starting arrive in this part of the Pacific.

Marilyn Sabo caught the big one – 175# Marlin. It took Marilyn and Mike an hour to land it. In all they caught 1-Marlin, 8-Sailfish and 9-Mahi Mahi. All bill fish were released quickly. One Mahi Mahi became dinner and the rest went to the captain and crew. There were four foot sea swells, so don't ask if anyone was sea sick!

R.I. CONVENTION JUNE, 2009



The Rotary International Convention will to be held in Birmingham, England, June 21-24, 2009. This Convention is for every Rotarian, not just officers, and is especially good for the Presidents-Elect.

The Early-Bird registration Deadline is December 15, 2008. After the 15th, there is a secondary registration deadline of March 31, 2009 and no further registrations will be taken online after May 31, 2009. As you might expect, the rate goes up considerably after each deadline!

Norma Johnson, the District's RI Convention chair, will be checking as to pre- or post-trip tours. Feel free to contact her at 314-968-9600 (ext. 260) or at 1-800-844- 2494.

Casa Materna Update



The auditorium of Casa Materna. The outfitting of the auditorium was aided by a Rotary Matching Grant.

Most of you have met Kitty Madden, who runs Casa Materna. Our Club has been supporting their efforts for several years. Casa Materna provides prenatal and postpartum care and education for the low-income mothers in Matagalpa, Nicaragua.

Maryann Antoine spearheaded the effort to apply for a Matching Grant, through Rotary, together with the Rotary Club of Matagalpa, to provide furniture and equipment for Casa's newly built auditorium (pictured left). District Governor Nominee 2010-2011, Todd Lindley, recently confirmed that all i's have been dotted and t's have been crossed to close out the paperwork for the Grant.

The following email is from **Kitty Madden** in acknowledgement of this accomplishment:

"Our deepest thanks to all of you in the north and to our Rotarian friends here in Matagalpa who so faithfully accompanied us through the various stages of the grant. How grateful we are for all the equipment you have provided to help us better serve the important work of the Casa for mothers with high-risk pregnancies from the rural areas of (the) Matagalpa region. At Thanksgiving time we will be receiving our 13,000th mother!"

Right now we are living through some very tense days, especially in Managua, due to disputed results of our November 9th municipal elections. Do keep us in your thoughts and prayers.

We hope that you will check out our Casa website lovingly developed and cared for by Carlos Castro of Friends of the Casa Materna at www.casamaterna.org"

ROTARY HAPPENINGS

By Dick Ryan and Mike Sabo

Cottleville/Weldon Spring will be hosting the HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR on **Thursday, Dec. 4th**, from 6:30 until 9pm. You can visit exclusive homes in Upper Whitmoor, Windcastle and other locations. The event benefits Youth In Need and Cottleville Park Amphitheater. Call 636-447-8446 for more info.

Overland Rotary Club will be hosting **TRIVIA NIGHT, 2009**. It will be at the St. John's Community Center, Friday February 13, 2009 (guaranteed to break the bad luck of a Friday the 13th!). Doors open at 6:30; questions start at 7pm. Entry fee of \$15 includes beer and soda. Call Pres. Tom Ortmann at 314-427-2222 for more information.



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